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Seminar on Cross-boundary Family Mediation

Date: 16.2.2022 (Wednesday)
Time: 10:00 am – 12:30 pm
Venue: DoJ Function Hall
(1/F, Main Wing, Justice Place, 18 Lower Albert Road, Central)
Mode: Virtual
Language: Cantonese (except that the presentation by the Mainland speaker will be in Putonghua), with simultaneous interpretation to Putonghua and English
CPD points: 2.5 (Awarding organisations: the Law Society of Hong Kong; Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre; Hong Kong Mediation Accreditation Association Limited; Hong Kong Mediation Centre; Mainland-Hong Kong Joint Mediation Center)

Time	Programme
10:00 – 10:10	**Opening Remarks** Ms Teresa Cheng Yeuk-wah, GBM, GBS, SC, JP Secretary for Justice, HKSAR
10:10 – 12:10	**The Mainland Judgments in Matrimonial and Family Cases (Reciprocal Recognition and Enforcement) Ordinance and Cross-boundary Family Mediation** Moderator: Mr Vod K S Chan Barrister, Chambers of Ronny Wong SC; Accredited general and family mediator Speakers: ● Ms Cecilia Lau Consultant, Deacons; Accredited family mediator and family mediation supervisor; Executive committee member of the Hong Kong Family Welfare Society ● Mr Eugene Yim Barrister, Bernacchi Chambers; Accredited general mediator ● Ms LIU Yang Senior Partner and Mediator, Unitop Law Firm (Shenzhen and Guangzhou)

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Panel Discussion Topics:

- What are the usual areas of disputes in family/matrimonial matters? What are the difficulties in resolving/reaching mediated settlement agreements in family/matrimonial disputes? How may mediation come to assist?
- What is the mechanism of enforcing cross-boundary family/ matrimonial mediated settlement agreements in Hong Kong and in Mainland? What are the areas to pay attention to when drafting the mediated settlement agreement?
- What is the impact of the Mainland Judgments in Matrimonial and Family Cases (Reciprocal Recognition & Enforcement) Ordinance on family/matrimonial cases and related mediation process? E.g. Would the Ordinance affect the mediator in setting the agenda of the mediation process?
- What are the remaining issues that might hinder the use of mediation in family/matrimonial cases and what is the way forward?

12:10 – 12:30	Q&A Session and Concluding Remarks

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