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### Adeline is an associate in the firm's litigation and arbitration practice.

Adeline has a broad commercial practice. She has acted at all levels of the Singapore courts in matters involving complex and/or multi-party commercial litigation. Her practice spans various areas, such as banking and finance, shareholders' disputes, contractual disputes, fraud, trusts, unjust enrichment, and jurisdictional matters (conflict of laws). She has also advised on, and represented, individuals and companies in criminal matters arising from commercial transactions and in disciplinary proceedings. Apart from accepting direct instructions from clients, she also acts as instructed counsel.

Since being called to the bar in 2017, Adeline has argued, as lead counsel, a wide range of interlocutory matters in civil proceedings in both the High Court and State Courts.

She is an active volunteer with the Criminal Legal Aid Scheme and was appointed, in 2019, as a Junior Assisting Counsel under the Legal Assistance for Capital Offences panel of lawyers. In 2020, she was appointed a member of the Law Society of Singapore's Criminal Practice Committee.

Adeline graduated with a First Class degree in Law from the University of Nottingham, and was awarded the Punch Coomaraswamy Prize by the university. Adeline also regularly represented the university in advocacy competitions. Prior to reading law, she obtained an honours degree in Accountancy and practiced as an auditor in a Big 4 accounting firm.

Her research interests are in trusts and equity, particularly in the area of the common intention constructive trust.

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# Track record

## Contractual dispute

Acted for a professional in the financial services industry in a S\$17 million contractual dispute. Successfully led an interlocutory application for amendment to pleadings. This decision was later upheld by a High Court judge sitting in chambers, and by the court of appeal.

## China contractual dispute

Acting, as instructed junior counsel, for a businessman in a contractual dispute arising out of a multi-billion dollar government project in China. Successfully obtained, as lead counsel, a discovery order for the production of documents claimed to be confidential; and successfully defended, as lead counsel, an application for striking out and an application to have the proceedings declared forum non conveniens. Successfully overturned, as assisting counsel, summary judgment obtained by the opposing party.

## Multiple lawsuits

Acted for shareholders of a company in the business of foreign workers' dormitories with S\$7 million annual turnover in multiple lawsuits arising out of the business of the company. Successfully defended, as lead counsel, a striking out application. The striking out application involved novel issues of law such as whether a counterclaim could contain claims contingent on the outcome of the claims in the main suit.

## Multinational record label

Advised, as instructed counsel, a multinational record label on their anti-harassment and anti-discrimination policies in Singapore

## Successful acquittal

Successfully obtained an acquittal for a foreign worker accused of molest.

## Successful acquittal

Successfully obtained an acquittal for a client accused of possessing offensive weapons.

## International cosmetics and lifestyle brand

Acting for an international cosmetics and lifestyle brand in landlord and tenancy disputes.

## Large technology company

Advised a large local technology company on disputes relating to non-competition and other restrictive covenants with its ex-employees.

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## Admissions

Singapore, Advocate & Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Singapore (2017)

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## Education

University of Nottingham - LLB (First Class Honours)

Nanyang Technological University - B.Acc (Honours)

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## Languages

English

Mandarin

Japanese (Conversational)

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## Memberships

Law Society of Singapore (2017)

Singapore Academy of Law (2017)

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## Key dates

Year joined: 2020

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