

LEGAL PRACTITIONERS ORDINANCE (Chapter 159)

ORDER THAT A SOLICITOR BE SUSPENDED FROM PRACTISING
CHOY CHEE YEAN

In accordance with section 12 of the Legal Practitioners Ordinance (Chapter 159), I hereby give notice that on 12 March 2010 a Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal found a complaint against Mr. CHOY Chee Yean proved. The complaint was that he failed to conduct himself appropriately in that he has been convicted of the offence of burglary.

The Tribunal ordered that:—

- (a) Mr. CHOY be suspended from practising as a solicitor for a period of five (5) years from the Clerk's filing of the Order with the Registrar of the High Court;
- (b) After the suspension of practice, the following conditions be imposed on his right to practise for the cumulative period of the first three (3) years of his practice:
 - (i) He cannot practise as a sole-proprietor or partner but only as an employed solicitor; and
 - (ii) He must practise under the close supervision of another solicitor of at least ten (10) years' standing, who is either a senior partner or sole practitioner of a law firm.
- (c) For the avoidance of doubt, the period of three (3) years mentioned in sub-paragraph (b) above shall only start to run when Mr. CHOY actually resumes his practice as a solicitor in Hong Kong.
- (d) The costs of these proceedings, including the costs of the Applicant in investigating into the matter and in prosecuting the Complaint and the costs of the Clerk, be borne and paid for by Mr. CHOY, such costs to be taxed, if not agreed, on a party-and-party basis.
- (e) The filing of this Order with the Registrar of the High Court be deferred until the lapse of the appeal time limit or, if Mr. CHOY does appeal against the decision of the Tribunal, until the determination or abandonment of such appeal.

The Tribunal's Order dated 12 March 2010 was filed by the Clerk to the Tribunal with the Registrar on 8 April 2010.

9 April 2010

Queeny AU-YEUNG *Registrar, High Court*