

CHELVA RETNAM RAJAH SC



Chelva has practised at Tan Rajah & Cheah since being called to the Singapore Bar in 1972 and has helmed its litigation practice for the last 20 years. He joined Littleton as an International Arbitrator and Associate Tenant in 2017.

Chelva practises litigation and arbitration, particularly in substantial commercial disputes, property-related matters and insolvency.

He is a well-respected arbitrator and has worked on more than 80 domestic and/or international arbitrations.

- Appointed a Judicial Commissioner of the High Court of Singapore from July 1995 to June 1997.
- Appointed Senior Counsel in Singapore on 10th January 1998.
- Appointed as Judge of the Qatar Financial Centre Civil and Commercial Court on 7th May 2012.

Memberships

- Singapore's Non-Resident High Commissioner to Papua New Guinea (2009 to-date)
- Chairman, Singapore National Committee, Asean Law Association (2005 & 2006)
- Board Member, Mercy Relief (2006 to-date)
- Member of Legal Commission, Singapore Red Cross (2004 to 2009)
- Independent Director, UOB-Kay Hian Holdings Ltd (2000 to-date)
- Member of the Military Court of Appeal, Singapore (1992 to June 1995)
- President, The Law Society of Singapore (1990 to 1992)
- Vice-President, Singapore Academy of Law (April 1991 to July 1993)
- Member of the ICC International Court of Arbitration (2006 to-date)
- Board Member, Singapore International Arbitration Centre (2010 to-date)

Education

- Anglo-Chinese School, Singapore (1955 - 1966)
- Lincoln College, Oxford University (1967 - 1970)
- Inns of Court (Middle Temple), London (1970 - 1971)