# Jarret Huang

Pupil Call 2023



## Overview

#### Jarret commenced pupillage at One Essex Court in October 2023.

Jarret's experience includes litigation before the English, Singaporean, and Malaysian Courts at all levels, as well as in major ICC, LCIA, SIAC, and HKIAC arbitrations. He has appeared both as leading counsel, as well as part of a larger counsel team. His private practice prior to coming to the Bar of England & Wales centred on complex commercial litigation, international arbitration, energy, fraud, construction, and shareholder disputes.

Jarret read Law at the University of Cambridge, graduating with a Starred Double First Class degree and winning over 25 University and College prizes. He then completed an LL.M. degree at the Harvard Law School under the auspices of the McMahon Scholarship, coming first in the cohort for three out of the six elective modules he undertook.

Thereafter, Jarret practised for several years in Singapore (Gazetted 2018), notably as a Law Clerk to the Chief Justice and Supreme Court of Singapore, a Deputy Public Prosecutor prosecuting international organised crime and syndicated offences, and as State Counsel, where he had a particular focus on arbitration involving state entities and judicial review.

Jarret has also maintained a strong interest in teaching and publishing. He was engaged as a Lecturer at Trinity College and The Queen's College at Oxford University in the 2022-2023 AY, and has published in leading works such as the Global Arbitration Review, the Modern Law Review, and with Kluwer Arbitration. Jarret's publications have been cited with approval by leading academics and in judgments by the High Court of Singapore.

The cases Jarret has worked on include:

- Setting aside applications before Singapore's apex Court arising out of a US\$700m ICC Arbitration involving the development of a windfarm project in Thailand involving two UHNWIs;
- A US\$200m SIAC Arbitration involving the construction of a luxury commercial/residential mixed-use development in Cambodia involving Chinese and Korean parties;
- A US\$300m HKIAC Arbitration involving a share issue arising out of the running and operation of an international airport in a major Chinese city;

- A US\$1.3bn dispute in the Singapore Courts involving Carlsberg and its Indian joint-venture partners;
- Advising on a potential investor-state dispute concerning a Southeast Asian state and a major South African diamond mining entity;
- A US\$400m claim for damage arising out of a mining disaster at one of Papua New Guinea's largest mining operations;
- A long-running S\$50m claim arising out of a complex international fraud involving parties in Switzerland, Israel, Hong Kong and Singapore;
- A US\$5m shipping dispute involving an appeal to Singapore's apex court to set aside a stay in favour of arbitration;
- Advising company directors on "de-banking" (in Singapore) as a result of sanctions; and
- Advising on a US\$550m tranche of litigation funding for claims arising out of the "Dieselgate" scandal.

Jarret is fluent in Mandarin Chinese, having worked on lectures on International Commercial Arbitration to the Renmin University as well as to the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences in Beijing. Jarret also has a basic knowledge of German.

Outside of practice, Jarret's interests include competitive blind wine tasting, rugby union, and classical music. Jarret also volunteers as an admissions interviewer for Harvard University.

#### Education

- 1. St John's College, University of Cambridge, M.A. (Law) (Starred Double First) (2015)
  - 1. Awarded over 25 University and College prizes, including the Ian Hall University Medal (2015), the Clifford Chance Prize in EU Law (2015), the George Long Prizes for Civil Law I and II (2013 and 2014), the Linklaters Prize for Environmental Law (2014), and the St John's College Master's Prize (2015).
  - 2. Attended under the auspices of the Singapore President's Scholarship, Singapore's most prestigious scholarship.
- 2. Harvard Law School, LL.M. (Dean's Scholar) (2016)
  - 1. Awarded the Dean's Scholar Prize on multiple occasions (2015, 2016).
  - 2. Placed first in three out of six elective modules undertaken (2015, 2016).
  - 3. Received substantial funding under the McMahon Scholarship, the most prestigious scholarship for postgraduate studies in Law awarded by St John's College, Cambridge.
- 3. Singapore Institute of Legal Education (Singapore Bar Exams) (2019)
  - 1. Double Distinction across Parts A and B.

### **Lectures & Publications**

- 1. "'Manifestly Incoherent': Setting Aside in Singapore and *Sulu*' (Arbitration International, forthcoming, with Ng Jern-Fei KC)
- 2. 'Appropriate Curial Intervention: A Singapore Perspective', Lecture to the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Beijing, 4 September 2023 (assisting Ng Jern-Fei KC).
- 3. 'The Rules on Evidence in International Commercial Arbitration', Lecture at the Renmin University for the Chinese Ministry of Justice, 8 May 2023 (assisting Ng Jern-Fei KC).
- 4. 'Section 12(5)(a) of the International Arbitration Act: Versatile Chameleon or Limited Source of Powers' [2022] 2 Singapore Arbitration Journal 29 (with Sapna Jhangiani KC).
- 5. 'Limits, Latitude, and Lacunae: Set-Aside of Award in CBX v CBZ" Kluwer Arbitration Blog, 26 July 2021.
- 6. Assisting Chief Justice of Singapore Sundaresh Menon with the Goff Lecture 2021, titled 'The Complexification of Disputes in the Digital Age'. (9 November 2021).
- 7. Assisting Chief Justice of Singapore Sundaresh Menon with the LALIVE Lecture 2021, titled 'A Tale of Two Systems: The Public and Private Faces of Investor-State Dispute Settlement'. (27 May 2021).
- 8. 'RJ v HB: Section 68 Serious Irregularities in the Arbitration Act' Kluwer Arbitration Blog, 2 April 2019.
- 9. 'Dryden v Johnson Matthey: The Boundaries of Actionable Damage' [2019] 82 Modern Law Review 737 (cited with approval by Professor Jane Stapleton in *Three Essays on Tort* (2021, Oxford University Press, p.71).
- 10. 'PT Sandipala: Reformulating the Said v Butt Rules on Director Liability Exclusions' [2018] 30 SAcLJ 1110 (cited with approval by the Singapore High Court in *Dialectic PR LLC v Brilliante Resources International Pte Limited* [2023] SGHC 39 at [66]).
- 11. 'Ochroid Trading: Illegality & Unjust Enrichment after Patel v Mirza' Singapore Law Blog, 15 June 2018.
- 12. 'Singapore's Personal Data Protection Act' [2018] Harvard Singapore Policy Journal, 11 June 2018.
- 13. 'Miller and Brexit: Prerogatives and Parliament.' [2017] 2 Cambridge LR 129.
- 14. 'The Legality of Intervention in Syria.' [2014] VIII Columbia ULR 2, Columbia University.

## Languages

Mandarin Chinese (Native)

Cantonese (Basic)

German (Basic)