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**WIPO LIST OF NEUTRALS**  
**BIOGRAPHICAL DATA**

Tan Tee Jim, S.C.  
Lee & Lee  
Singapore  
Singapore

Nationality: Singaporean

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**EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS**

LL. B. (Hons), University of Singapore, 1979;  
LL. M., University of London, 1983;  
Called to the Supreme Court of Singapore, 1980;  
Appointed Senior Counsel of the Supreme Court of Singapore, 1999;  
Registered Patent Agent, Singapore, 2002.

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**LANGUAGES**

English

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**PRESENT POSITION**

Senior Partner and Head of Lee & Lee's IP and IT Department which deals with Prosecution and Registration of IP, Transactional IP; and IP Protection and Enforcement;  
Senior Counsel of the Supreme Court of Singapore (equivalent to Queen's Counsel in the UK).

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**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE BEFORE PRESENT POSITION**

Legal Assistant, Donaldson & Burkinshaw, 1980-84;  
Partner, Donaldson & Burkinshaw, 1984-88;  
Partner, Allen & Gledhill, 1988-2005.

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## AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Areas of specialisation include advising clients on the exploitation, protection and enforcement of IP rights such as copyright, patents, designs, trade marks, trade secrets and domain names, in relation to diverse fields such as biotechnology, entertainment, healthcare, hotel management, Internet, pharmaceuticals, performance rights and software.

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## MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL BODIES

Law Society of Singapore;  
Law Academy of Singapore;  
Singapore Copyright Tribunal (SCT);  
Asian Patent Attorneys Association (APAA);  
International Trademarks Association;  
ASEAN IP Association;  
Association of Singapore Patent Agents.

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## EXPERIENCE IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Over thirty years in practice, specializing in IPT matters.

Regularly singled out as a leading intellectual property lawyer in Singapore and Asia in various professional publications such as the Euromoney Guide to the Leading Asia Pacific Law and Tax Experts, AsiaLaw Leading Lawyers Survey, AsiaLaw Profiles, Global Counsel and The Asia Pacific Legal 500 (2001/2002). Has been described as “brilliant” and an “iconic figure” in patent litigation in Singapore in *The World’s Leading Patent Practitioners 2013*.

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## EXPERIENCE WITH RESPECT TO DOMAIN NAMES

Since 1999, has advised many clients on recovering gTLD and ccTLD names registered by cybersquatters.  
In 2000, successfully recovered the domain name of a major postal agency in court in Singapore, the first of its kind.  
Regularly invited by WIPO to be a panelist in domain name disputes.

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## MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

Author of “Law of Trade Marks and Passing Off in Singapore” (Sweet & Maxwell), 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. 2014;  
General Editor of “Halsbury’s Laws of Singapore on Intellectual Property”;  
Written several articles on IP issues;  
Regular speaker at local and international conferences;  
Regular lecturer at WIPO Training of Trainers program.

### **Selected Recent Conference papers:**

“Exploiting IP Assets” and “IP in the Digital Economy” at a Training of Trainers Program on IP organised by WIPO in Bangkok, Thailand (2011);  
“Making a Mark” at a Training of Trainers Program on IP organised by WIPO and the Vietnamese IP Office in Hanoi, Vietnam (2011);  
“Effective Use of IP Assets by SMEs” at a Training of Trainers Program on IP organised by WIPO in Bangkok, Thailand (2013);  
Keynote speech on “Trade Marks, Internet and Social Media” at IP Management Community of Practice Forum organised by IPOS (2013);  
“IP and Finance: Accounting and Valuation of IP Assets and IP-based Financing” at a Training of Trainers Program on IP organised by WIPO and the Cambodian IP Office in Phnom Penh, Cambodia (2013);

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“IP in the Online World – Social Media, Domain Names, Copyright Issues” at the Global IP Forum organised by the IP Academy of Singapore (2013);  
“Recent Copyright Developments” at the Seminar Series on Latest IP Developments organised by the IP Academy of Singapore (2014).

**Selected Recent Articles:**

“Becoming an Asian IP hub: Here’s what it takes” (2011);  
“New Law for Compilations and Databases in Singapore?” (2012);  
“Copyright for the Digital Age” (2013).

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**EXPERIENCE IN COURT LITIGATION**

During over thirty years in practice, developed an extensive IPT litigation practice which includes copyright, designs, patents, trade marks and trade secrets. Appeared before the Singapore High Court and Court of Appeal in numerous cases on behalf of clients in diverse areas such as biotechnology, engineering, entertainment, hotel management, Internet and performance rights.

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**PROFESSIONAL TRAINING IN MEDIATION**

Attended a WIPO Workshop for Mediators in IP Disputes, Geneva, May 28-29, 1996.

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