# SHARMINI THIRUCHELVAM

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## **Professional Summary**

Seasoned Senior Partner with excellent skills in managing conflict and prioritizing tasks. Adept at building and strengthening relationships with internal and external stakeholders. Strong networker with decisive leadership style. Actively pursues professional development ensuring that knowledge and skills stay relevant and in line with changing trends and directions in the legal industry. In recognition of her client-centred approach, Sharmini received Lexology's Client Choice Award for General Corporate in 2021.

## Skills

- Litigation and alternative dispute resolution experience
- Settlement negotiations
- Problem resolution

- Relationship development
- Strategic planning
- Critical thinking / analysis

### Work History

Senior Partner 08/2000 to Current

#### Francis Pereira & Shan – Kuala Lumpur

- Helped to develop and implement promotional strategies to drive business to firm.
- Chaired partner meetings to drive discussion of matters important to firm operations, keeping discourse on-topic and moving at an efficient pace.
- Explained available courses of action and possible repercussions of cases to clients.
- Researched and drafted agreements and proposals.
- Apprised clients of potential risks and costs associated with each course of action.
- Conducted civil trials and attended hearings at appellate stages.
- Conducted mediations and appeared at mediations as counsel
- Acted as counsel in arbitration matters and advised clients on arbitration and its conduct
- Conducted legal research and conferred with colleagues with subject matter expertise to develop strategies and arguments in preparation for presentation of cases.
- Provided legal advice to variety of small and mid-sized businesses involved in multiple types of litigation.

Senior Legal Assistant 08/1998 to 08/2000

#### **David Lingam & Partners** – Selangor

Researched relevant laws and delivered analysis and assessments to the Senior Partner

- Assisted the Senior Partner with research, trial preparation, and drafting of court document and submissions for filing in court.
- Assisted with client interviews and took meticulous notes.
- Investigated facts and law of cases, using pertinent sources to determine causes of action and to prepare cases.
- Participated in professional development initiatives for consistent improvement and up-to-date knowledge of emerging trends and best practices.

#### Qualification & Affiliations

Law 09/1992

**University of London** 

Certificate in Legal Practice 08/1993

Legal Profession Qualifying Board, Malaysia

Diploma in International Commercial Arbitration

Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, UK

Certificate in Sports Law & International Sports Law

National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

Admission as An Advocate & Solicitor 12/1994

Malaysian Bar

Certified and Accredited Mediator 10/2010

**Malaysian Mediation Centre** 

Fellow (FCIArb) 10/2020

Chartered Institute of Arbitration, UK

Fellow (FAIADR)

Asian Institute of Alternative Dispute Resolution

Mediator

Asian International Arbitration Centre (AIAC)

#### Certified ADR Practitioner

## Asian Institute of Alternative Dispute Resolution

Mediator

Pusat Mediasi Covid-19 (Jabatan Perdana Menteri)

**Qualified Mediator** 

International Mediation Institute

**Evaluative Mediator** 

Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors UK

Member of The Investigating Tribunal

**Advocates & Solicitors Disciplinary Board** 

Member of The Adjudication Panel

**Bar Council Compensation Fund**