

Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services

**List of items tentatively scheduled for discussion at
Panel meetings in 2009-2010 session**

(Please refer to the List of outstanding items
for a brief description of the items)
(position as at 19 January 2010)

Meeting on 22 February 2010

- (a) Transcript fees (item 7)
- (b) Development of mediation services (item 24)
- (c) Non-civil service appointment of a Deputy Principal Government Counsel in the Department of Justice for implementation of the recommendations of the Working Group on Mediation (item 23)
- (d) Arbitration in Hong Kong of Mainland-related disputes (item 25)

Meeting on 29 March 2010

- (a) Five-yearly review of the criteria for assessing the financial eligibility of legal aid applicants (item 2)
- (b) Free Legal Advice Service (item 5)
- (c) Matrimonial Proceedings and Property (Amendment) Bill (item 20)

Meeting on 26 April 2010

- (a) Proposed construction of the West Kowloon Law Courts Building (item 8)
- (b) The role of the Judiciary in the adjudication system under the Control of Obscene and Indecent Articles Ordinance (item 18)

Meeting on 24 May 2010

- (a) Pre-trial interviewing of witnesses by prosecutors (item 10)
- (b) Mode of trial (item 12)
- (c) Conviction rates (item 21)
- (d) Trial by jury (item 22)

Meeting on 28 June 2010

- (a) Report on Conditional Fees (item 9)
- (b) Appointment of Temporary/Deputy Judges and Judicial Officers (item 13)

Timing for discussion - to be decided

- (a) Applicability of Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) laws to offices set up by Central People's Government in HKSAR (item 1)
- (b) Criminal legal aid fees system (item 3)
- (c) Professional Indemnity Scheme of the Law Society (item 4)
- (d) Implementation of Civil Justice Reform (item 11)
- (e) Inclusion of the statutory Independent Police Complaints Council under the purview of The Ombudsman (item 14)
- (f) Arrangements of replacing Police Constable with security guards at Magistrates' Courts (item 17)
- (g) Proposed repeal of the Solicitors (Trade Marks and Patents) Costs Rules (item 19)
- (h) Report on Hearsay in Criminal Proceedings (item 26)
- (i) Implementation of the scheme for granting higher rights of audience to solicitors (item 27)