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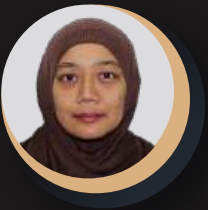
# CRIMINAL LAW & PROCEDURE SEMINAR 2025

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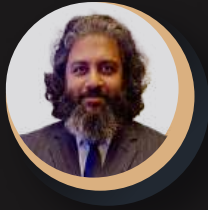
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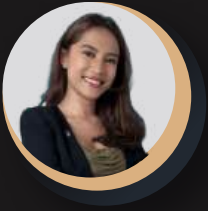
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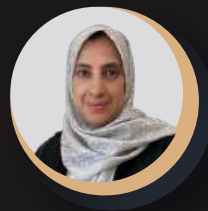
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# PROGRAMME

20 February 2025  
8:30am – 5:45pm

7:30 – 8:30	<b>Registration</b>
8:50 – 9:00	<b>Welcome remarks</b> <i>Rostina Gaus</i> Director, CLJ Malaysia
9:00 – 9:45	<b>Mastering Cross-Examination: Insights from the Courtroom</b> <i>Devkumar</i> Managing Partner, The Chambers of Kumar & Co
9:45–10:30	<b>Plea Bargaining: Objectives, Negotiations and Scope of the Prosecutor’s Power and Discretion</b> <i>Puan Norinna bt Bahadun</i> Head of Unit, Serious Crimes Unit, AG Chambers
10:30 – 10:45	Morning Break
10:45 – 11:45	<b>Criminal Trial: Navigating the Procedural Minefield</b> <i>YA Datuk Noorin bt Badaruddin</i> Judge, High Court
11:45 – 12:45	<b>Admissibility of Illegally Obtained Confessions</b> <i>Tiara Katrina Fuad</i> Partner, Head of White Collar Crime Practice, LHAG
12:45–2:00	Lunch & Friday Prayers
2:00 – 2.30	<b>Book Talk</b> <b>Criminal Procedure &amp; Practice in Malaysia</b>
2:30–3:30	<b>From Policy to Practice: ATIPSOM’s Impact on Combating Trafficking in Persons</b> <i>Dr Haezreena Begum</i> Criminologist and Deputy Dean for Higher Degree, Law Faculty, University of Malaya
3:30 – 4.30	<b>The Art of Persuasion: Crafting Compelling Narratives</b> <i>Devkumar</i> Managing Partner, The Chambers of Kumar & Co
4:30 –4.45	Tea Break
4:45 –5.30	<b>Fireside Chat</b> <b>Custodial Death: Recent Judicial Thoughts &amp; Trends</b> <i>Latheefa Koya</i> Former Chief Commissioner of the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC)
5:30 –5.45	<b>Closing</b>

## **Devkumar**

*Managing Partner, The Chambers of Kumar & Co*

### **Mastering Cross-Examination: Insights from the Courtroom**

Delve into the critical techniques and strategic complexities of cross-examination, a cornerstone of effective legal advocacy. This session offers a comprehensive exploration of essential practices for trial lawyers. Engage with expert insights illuminating the art of question formulation, the tactical use of cross-examination as a defense mechanism, and the refinement of courtroom skills. Through a synthesis of best practices and practical examples, participants will acquire a refined understanding of the pivotal role cross-examination plays in criminal litigation, equipping them to navigate multifaceted legal challenges with precision and confidence.

### **The Art of Persuasion: Crafting Compelling Narratives**

Delve into the essential techniques and approaches for developing a persuasive defence narrative in criminal trials. This session focuses on the critical elements of storytelling, evidence presentation, and emotional appeal in the courtroom. Participants will explore how to weave factual evidence into a cohesive and compelling story that resonates with judges and juries alike. Through expert insights and practical examples, this session aims to enhance the skills of legal professionals in crafting narratives that not only present the facts but also connect on a human level. Attendees will gain a deeper understanding of the art of persuasion, learning how to balance logical argumentation with emotional appeal to achieve the best possible outcomes for their clients.

## **Puan Norinna bt Bahadun**

*Head of Unit, Serious Crimes Unit, AG Chambers*

### **Plea Bargaining: Objectives, Negotiations and Scope of the Prosecutor's Power and Discretion**

Examine the critical dynamics of plea bargaining, a pivotal element in the criminal justice process, with a focus on the objectives, negotiations, and the scope of prosecutorial power and discretion. This session offers an in-depth analysis of the strategic considerations behind plea negotiations, illuminating the balance between justice and efficiency. Engage with expert perspectives that explore the prosecutor's role in shaping the outcomes, the ethical boundaries of discretion, and the broader implications for the legal system. Participants will gain a comprehensive understanding of plea bargaining's complexities, equipping them to navigate this essential facet of criminal law with informed judgment and strategic acumen.

## **YA Datuk Noorin bt Badaruddin**

*Judge, High Court*

### **Criminal Trial: Navigating the Procedural Minefield**

Embark on a detailed journey through the elaborate procedures that define criminal trials, guided by a seasoned judiciary perspective. This session provides a comprehensive analysis of the procedural complexities that practitioners face in the courtroom. Attendees will explore the critical stages of a criminal trial, from pre-trial motions and jury selection to evidentiary challenges and sentencing. Through expert insights and real-world examples, this session offers invaluable guidance for piloting the challenges inherent in criminal litigation, enhancing participants' ability to advocate with precision and uphold the principles of justice.

## **Tiara Katrina Fuad**

*Partner, Head of White Collar Crime Practice, LHAG*

### **Admissibility of Illegally Obtained Confessions**

Examine the complex legal territory surrounding the use of confessions in criminal proceedings, with a focus on the admissibility of those obtained through questionable means. This session offers a thorough examination of the principles and jurisprudence governing this critical aspect of evidence law. Participants will delve into the ethical considerations, statutory provisions, and judicial interpretations that shape the admissibility of confessions in a criminal trial. This session aims to equip legal professionals with a nuanced understanding of the challenges and consequences associated with using illegally obtained confessions in court, fostering a more informed and principled approach to legal advocacy.

## **Dr Haezreena Begum**

*Criminologist and Deputy Dean for Higher Degree, Law Faculty, University of Malaya*

### **From Policy to Practice: ATIPSOM's Impact on Combating Trafficking in Persons**

Explore the vital role of Anti-trafficking In Persons And Anti-smuggling Of Migrants Act 2007 (ATIPSOM) in the fight against human trafficking, from legislative frameworks to practical enforcement. This session provides a deep dive into the legal mechanisms and policy strategies that underpin this crucial legislation. Participants will gain insights into the implementation challenges and successes of ATIPSOM, understanding its impact on protecting vulnerable populations and prosecuting offenders. Through expert analysis and case studies, this session offers a thorough examination of how ATIPSOM has shaped the landscape of anti-trafficking efforts, equipping legal professionals with the knowledge to advocate effectively for justice and human rights.

## **Latheefa Koya**

*Former Chief Commissioner of the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC)*

### **Custodial Death: Recent Judicial Thoughts & Trends**

Explore the critical issue of custodial deaths through a legal and human rights lens. This session, delves into the evolving legal standards and judicial reasoning in cases involving custodial deaths. Participants will gain insights into contemporary judicial developments, key legal challenges, and landmark cases that have shaped the discourse on this sensitive topic.

Through expert commentary and real-world case studies, the session aims to provide a comprehensive understanding of the legal frameworks and human rights implications associated with custodial deaths. The discussion will emphasise the importance of accountability, transparency, and the protection of human rights within the criminal justice system. Attendees will be equipped with valuable knowledge and tools to navigate and address the complexities of custodial death cases, fostering a more equitable and humane legal landscape.

# SPEAKERS



**YA Datuk Noorin bt Badaruddin**

*Judge, High Court*

Justice Datuk Noorin Badaruddin is a Judge of the High Court of Malaya in Kuala Lumpur. She hails from Taiping, a small town in the State of Perak Darul Ridzwan. She pursued her tertiary education at the International Islamic University of Malaysia (IIUM), graduating in 1990 with a Bachelor of Laws, LLB (Hons), and later obtained a Masters of Law, LLM (Hons), from the University of Wollongong, Australia.

Justice Noorin is the first female graduate from IIUM to be appointed as a Judicial Commissioner and later as a High Court Judge of Malaya. Before joining the judiciary, she served as a legal officer at the Attorney-General's Chambers, Malaysia. She held the position of Federal Counsel at the Insolvency Department of Malaysia, and from 1997 until her appointment as a Judicial Commissioner of the High Court of Malaya in 2014, she served as a Deputy Public Prosecutor in both the Prosecution Division and the Appellate and Trial Division. During her tenure in the Appellate and Trial Division, she headed the Trial Unit, managing high-profile cases. Her last position at the Attorney-General's Chambers was as Deputy Head of the Prosecution Division, overseeing the policy sector.

Justice Noorin was appointed as a Judicial Commissioner in 2014 and as a Judge of the High Court of Malaya in February 2017. She has served in the High Courts of Ipoh and Kuala Lumpur (Commercial Division); the Shah Alam High Court (Criminal Division); and the Kuala Lumpur High Court (Special Powers Division and Criminal Division).



**Devkumar**

*Managing Partner, The Chambers of Kumar & Co*

Devkumar was called to the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn, England in October 2000, admitted as an Advocate & Solicitor in Malaysia in August 2001 and is a Managing Partner in Kumar & Co with 22 years of experience. He specializes in Criminal Law, Civil and Personal Injury Litigation, Bankruptcy and Banking Litigation and Insurance Law. In addition, he advises on areas of Legal Tech, Cyber Security, Data Protection, Artificial Intelligence and all legal aspects of the Tech Industry. He is currently involved in the ongoing implementation of Online Court Proceedings and Trials within the Malaysian Legal System.

Devkumar has been undertaking criminal trials from the Magistrates courts up to the High courts throughout Peninsula Malaysia mainly defending in the areas of murder, drug trafficking, kidnapping, manslaughter, assault, robbery, fraud and criminal breach of trust to name a few.

He has extensive appellate experience in these fields to the Federal Court. He was the Secretary of the Penang Bar Committee from 2007-2008 and 2009-2013 and was Chairman of the Welfare and Pupil Affairs Sub-committee. He is currently the Chairman of the Continuing Professional Development Committee in the Penang Bar from 2019-2023, Chairman of the Legaltech Committee 2021-2023 and a member of the Criminal Law Committee of the Bar Council from 2009-2013 and 2019-2023. He has also been a certified Advocacy Trainer for the Bar Council since 2016. He has been training pupils and lawyers in all aspects of trials and appeals around Criminal and Litigation throughout Malaysia.

# SPEAKERS



**Puan Norinna bt Bahadun**

*Head of Unit, Serious Crimes Unit, AG Chambers*

Norinna binti Bahadun brings over two decades of legal expertise to her role as Senior Federal Counsel and Deputy Public Prosecutor at the Attorney General's Chambers. She earned her LLB (Hons) from the prestigious London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) in 1998 and obtained her LLM in International Litigation and Arbitration (Merit) from University College London (UCL) in 2009.

Admitted to the Malaysian Bar in 2000, Norinna began her career as an associate at Messrs Arthur Wang Lian & Associates, where she practiced from 2001 to 2003. Since joining the Attorney General's Chambers in 2003, she has served in various capacities, applying her deep knowledge of international law, arbitration, and litigation.

Throughout her career, Norinna has handled a broad spectrum of cases, providing legal advice, managing complex litigation, and representing the government in high-profile matters. Her expertise spans both domestic and international legal frameworks, where she consistently demonstrates a commitment to justice and the rule of law.



**Tiara Katrina Fuad**

*Partner, Head of White Collar Crime Practice, LHAG*

Tiara Katrina leads the White Collar Crime Practice, with her strong background in criminal litigation and criminal advisory work. She graduated from the University of Leeds, England and subsequently completed the Bar Professional Training Course in London. Tiara Katrina was called to the Bar as a Barrister-at-Law of England and Wales by Inner Temple before returning to Malaysia to establish her criminal practice.

Her experience extends to various stages of the criminal justice process, including investigations, trials, appeals, constitutional references, revisionary and habeas corpus applications as well as resisting forfeiture proceedings instituted by the Attorney General's Chambers or other governmental agencies. Against this backdrop, she also provides comprehensive advice to companies and institutions regarding compliance with regulatory provisions attaching criminal liability.

With an interest in developing public legal literacy, Tiara Katrina regularly contributes to various news media outlets analysing current public interest and criminal justice issues, in addition to conducting criminal law workshops for governmental agencies and non-profit organisations.

# SPEAKERS



**Dr Haezreena Begum**

*Criminologist and Deputy Dean for  
Higher Degree, Law Faculty, University of Malaya*

Dr. Haezreena is a Criminologist and the Deputy Dean for Higher Degree at the Faculty of Law, University of Malaya. She holds an LLB (Hons) from the International Islamic University Malaysia (IIUM), an LLM in International Human Rights Law from the University of Leicester, UK, and a PhD in Criminology from Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand. She was admitted to the Malaysian Bar as an Advocate & Solicitor in 1997 and practiced law for 21 years before transitioning into academia.

Throughout her career, she has conducted extensive research on human trafficking, gender, incarceration and prisons, terrorism and violent extremism, sexual violence, and victimisation. Dr. Haezreena takes a hands-on approach by working directly with prisoners, victims of trafficking, and ex-militants. She is frequently sought by law enforcers, government officials, civil society organizations (CSOs), and the media for her expert opinion on crime, gender, human trafficking, and terrorism.

She has published books, book chapters, and articles, and has presented papers at various local and international conferences on these topics. Her work has been highly praised by international scholars for its originality and novelty, and it is often cited in academic journals, reports, and media outlets.



**Latheefa Koya**

*Former Chief Commissioner of the Malaysian  
Anti-Corruption Commission*

Latheefa was called to the Malaysian Bar in 2001 and has been actively involved in numerous public interest and human rights cases and initiatives for several years. She is currently a partner at Messrs Daim & Gamany, a leading public interest law firm based in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

In 2011, she co-founded Lawyers for Liberty, where she now serves as one of its Advisors. Lawyers for Liberty is a human rights and law reform initiative that challenges unconstitutional, arbitrary, and unreasonable decisions and act perpetrated by the government, its agencies, and other public authorities.

Latheefa has been involved in various initiatives, including the Bar Council's Legal Aid Centre, the Refugees and Migrants Clinic, the Immigration Law Reform Committee, Suara Rakyat Malaysia (Suaram), and the Gerakan Mansuhkan ISA (Abolish ISA Movement). She also served as Chief Commissioner of the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) from 4 June 2019 to 9 March 2020.

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