# LEGAL WRITING CONFERENCE 2025

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# **20 AND 21 NOV 2025**

Thursday 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Friday 9:00 am to 4:15 pm

\*Followed by a networking reception.

Menara BAC, 52, Jln Utara, Section 52, 46200 Petaling Jaya, Selangor Register online here-

A Networking Reception will be held on 21 Nov 2025 (Friday) from 4:15 pm onwards.

\*\*Fees are inclusive of admission to this session

Registration Fees\*\*

Members RM130 Pupils in Chambers RM80 Non-Members RM180

Clear and succinct legal writing is indispensable to effective advocacy and client service.

The Legal Writing Conference returns this year as a one-and-a-half day event with a networking reception at the close of the Conference.

The Conference will feature sessions on the key aspects of legal writing for today's practitioners, from the drafting of cause papers to the preparation of agreements. The discussions will be led by judges, practitioners, and in-house counsel.

# CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

## **20 NOV 2025 (THURSDAY)**

TIME	AGENDA
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Registration
2:00 pm - 2:05 pm	Welcome Address by Gregory Das, Chairperson, Bar Council Publications Committee ("Publications Committee")
2:05 pm – 2:15 pm	President's Address by Mohamad Ezri Abdul Wahab, <i>President, Malaysian Bar</i>
2:15 pm – 2:45 pm	Keynote Address by The Right Honourable Dato' Abu Bakar bin Jais,  President, Court of Appeal
2:45 pm – 4:15 pm	Plenary Session 1: Legal Writing and the Public Role of Lawyers
	Moderator: Nimalan Devaraja, Deputy Chairperson, Publications Committee
	<ul> <li>Speakers:</li> <li>Christopher Leong, Partner, Chooi &amp; Company</li> <li>Gurdial Singh Nijar, Partner, G.S. Nijar</li> <li>Fahri Azzat, Partner, Fahri, Azzat &amp; Co.</li> </ul>
4:15 pm – 4:30 pm	Break
4:30 pm – 6:00 pm	Breakout Session 1: Construction: Drafting a CIPAA Claim*
	Moderator: Dinesh Nandrajog, Member, Publications Committee
	<ul> <li>Speakers:</li> <li>Rajendra Navaratnam, Partner, Azman Davidson &amp; Co</li> <li>Darshendev Singh, Partner, Lee Hishammuddin Allen &amp; Gledhill</li> </ul>
4:30 pm – 6:00 pm	Breakout Session 2: Corporate: Drafting Shareholders Agreements — Avoiding Disputes*
	Moderator: Arif Umar Faruq b Faiz, Member, Publications Committee
	<ul> <li>Speakers:</li> <li>Janet Looi, Partner, Skrine</li> <li>Andrew Chiew Ean Vooi, Partner, Lee Hishammuddin Allen &amp; Gledhill</li> <li>Halina Jael Abu Bakar, Senior Counsel (APAC), 500 Global</li> </ul>
6:00 pm	End

# CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

## 21 NOV 2025 (FRIDAY)

TIME	AGENDA
9:00 am - 10:30 am	Breakout Session 3: Legal Writing for Criminal Practice*
	Moderator: Rajsurian Pillai, <i>Member, Publications Committee</i>
	<ul> <li>Speakers:</li> <li>Justice Datuk Wong Kian Kheong, Court of Appeal Judge</li> <li>Hisyam b Abdullah @ Teh Poh Teik, Advocate and Solicitor, Hisyam Teh</li> </ul>
9:30 am – 11:00 am	Breakout Session 4: Legal Writing for Arbitration*
	Moderator: Leong Chee Weng, Member, Publications Committee
	Speakers:  • Justice Dato' Lee Swee Seng, Federal Court Judge  • Mohanadass Kanagasabai, Partner, Mohanadass Partnership
10:30 am - 11:15 am	Coffee Break
11:15 am – 12:45 pm	Plenary Session 2: Written Submissions
	Moderator: Velary Thrisha Velayathan, Member, Publications Committee
	<ul> <li>Speakers:</li> <li>Justice Dato' Azizul Azmi bin Adnan, Court of Appeal Judge</li> <li>Justice Dato' Kenneth Yoong Ken Chinson St James, High Court Judge</li> </ul>
12:45 pm – 2:30 pm	Lunch
2:30 pm – 4:00 pm	Plenary Session 3: Legal Writing, Artificial Intelligence and Ethics
	Moderator: Voon Su Huei, Member, Publications Committee
	<ul> <li>Speakers:</li> <li>Justice Datuk Vazeer Alam Mydin Meera, Federal Court Judge</li> <li>Justice Tuan Atan Mustaffa Yussof Ahmad, High Court Judge</li> <li>Foong Cheng Leong, Partner, Foong Cheng Leong &amp; Co.</li> </ul>
4:00 pm - 4:15 pm	Closing Remarks by Ryan Chu Soon Wei and Lucy Lee Zhe Hui, Conference Chairpersons
4:15 pm onwards	Conference Networking Reception

# **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

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