

# ALUMNI NEWSLETTER



## DID YOU KNOW?

ADMIRAL ZHENG HE, ALSO KNOWN AS CHENG HO, WAS THE PRINCIPAL ENVOY OF THE GREAT TREASURE FLEET, LEADING SEVEN VOYAGES BETWEEN 1405 TO 1433 DURING THE MING DYNASTY.

## International Council of Commercial Arbitration (ICCA) 2012

Singapore was the first time host of the 21st International Council for Commercial Arbitration ("ICCA") Conference which was held from 10 to 13 June 2012 at Marina Bay Sands Convention and Exhibition Centre.

In conjunction with the conference, we also sponsored an After Party on 11 June 2012. The ICCA Rajah & Tann After Party Cruise took place onboard the replica of the famous Ming Dynasty imperial vessel, Cheng Ho.

Two cruises were arranged to cater to the overwhelming response received from ICCA delegates and accompanying persons.

All guests on board the two cruises enjoyed a truly unique Singapore experience with light snacks and drinks and admiring the beautiful city skyline while at sea. In between getting to know each other better, guests were treated to the fun antics of a magician

who roamed around the boat, showing off his magic tricks.

More photos of the event can be viewed [here](#).



THE MAGICIAN PERFORMING HIS CARD TRICKS



OUR R&T PARTNERS WITH THE GUESTS



STUNNING VIEW OF THE SINGAPORE SKYLINE



## REGULATORY DAY 2012

Regulatory Day 2012 was organised by Rajah & Tann LLP on 17 May 2012 at the Fullerton Hotel, Singapore. Heartened by the response received at last year's inaugural event, this year's event was organised with a view to once again garner insights on the latest regulatory compliance and enforcement issues facing the business community. This time, we were fortunate to have more external guest speakers, many of whom were from the various regulatory bodies. More photos of the event can be viewed [here](#).

## R&T IN THE NEWS

### Marina Bay Financial Centre Asian Legal Business (ALB) SE Asia Law Awards on 11 May 2012

Lee Eng Beng SC, Managing Partner of Rajah & Tann, won the prestigious Managing Partner of the Year award.

Rajah & Tann also won the Shipping Law Firm of the Year Award. Leong Kah Wah was there to receive the award. To read more, click [here](#).

### ALB Employer of Choice Ranking 2012

Rajah & Tann is ranked in the Asian Legal Business (ALB) Employer of Choice Ranking 2012 for the Singapore market. Rajah & Tann is well known in the legal fraternity for its strong focus on work-life balance initiatives and it remains the only Singapore law firm to win the Work-Life Excellence Award from the Ministry of Manpower. To read more click [here](#).

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## CONGRATULATIONS

We would like to extend our heartiest congratulations to our two ex-Managing Partners on their new appointments. We wish both Attorney-General Steven Chong, SC and Mr. Sundaresh Menon, SC all the best as Attorney-General and Judge of Appeal of the Supreme Court, the latter posting to take effect from 1 August 2012. Although they may have left Rajah & Tann, their ethos continues to carry the firm. We are certain their successes shall continue to follow them wherever they go.



## THIRSTY FRIDAYS

Every fortnight the Mayhem Committee, comprising a rag-tag bunch of young R&T lawyers, throws an after-work session called "Thirsty Fridays" in the Courtyard. Copious amounts of food and drinks are served at every Thirsty Friday and an extra-special session was held on 25 May 2012 in celebration of Lee Eng Beng SC's "Managing Partner of the Year" win at the recent ALB SE Asia Law Awards. A generous contribution of bottles of champagne by Eng Beng was enjoyed all and he was "coerced" into making an impromptu speech in view of the occasion. Thereafter, he headed to the foosball table with Francis Xavier SC to do battle against Mayhem Committee members, Jared Kok and Avinash Pradhan. It was a close fight with the young'uns beating the SC duo 10-9 to win the game. A grudge match awaits all those involved!