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**Practice Areas:**

Banking & Finance, Corporate Commercial, Real Estate,  
Mergers & Acquisitions

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**Partner Profile**

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**Karen** has been in active legal practice for over 20 years since being called to the Malaysian Bar in October 1995.

Karen's primary focus is on corporate and commercial contracts and conveyancing matters. Her extensive experience in contentious matters adds to her abilities in her corporate and commercial practice. Karen is passionate in her quest for knowledge, commitment to clients, the betterment of the Bar and the legal profession, and has an ardent interest in public interest issues. She was the immediate past Honorary Secretary and Treasurer of the Malaysian Bar, and was awarded the ATC Outstanding Alumni Award in 2016.

Karen graduated with a degree in law from the University of London in 1993, and thereafter obtained the Malaysian Certificate in Legal Practice in 1994. She was admitted to the Malaysian Bar in 1995. Karen joined Chooi & Company as a partner on 1 March 2016.

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**Professional & Work Experience**

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*Chooi & Company, Advocates & Solicitors, Kuala Lumpur*

March 2016 – **Partner, Corporate & Financial Services Department**  
Present

*Fatima Tan & Cheah, Advocates & Solicitors, Malacca*

April 2000 – **Partner**  
February 2016

*Malaysian Bar*

2017 – present Chairman of Ad Hoc Committee for Amendments to the Legal Profession Act

- 2017 – present Co-chairman of the International Malaysian Law Conference 2018
- 2017 – present Member of Child Rights Committee, Trades in Liberalisation of Services, Finance Committee
- 2015 – 2017 Secretary of the Malaysian Bar  
Chair of the New Building Committee of the Bar Council
- 2013 – 2015 Treasurer of the Malaysian Bar  
Chair of the Finance Committee of the Bar Council
- 2012 – 2015 Chair of the Legal Profession Committee of the Bar Council

Malacca Bar

- 2015 – 2016 Bar Council Representative for Malacca Bar
- 2012 – 2015 Chairman of the Malacca Bar Committee
- 1998 – 2003 Committee Member of the Malacca Bar

Multimedia University

- 2012 – 2017 External Industrial Advisor (Faculty of Law)  
Visiting Lecturer
- From 2012 Trainer, Advocacy Training Course
- 2015 Working Committee at the Attorney General's Chamber on Proposed Amendments to the Domestic Violence Act and Proposed Sexual Harassment Act

**Qualifications**

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- 1995 **Advocate & Solicitor of the High Court of Malaya**  
Admitted as an Advocate & Solicitor of the High Court of Malaya in 1995
- 1994 **Certificate of Legal Practice, Malaysia**
- 1993 **University of London (International Programme, External)**  
Bachelor of Laws (Hons)

**Publication & Presentations**

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- 2017            **University of London Alumni Debate**  
‘Arbitration is not about just settlement, it is just about settlement.’  
Panellist Speaker
- 2017            **LexisNexis : Practical Guide on Corporate : Financing**  
Author / Contributor
- 2017            **Universiti Sains Islam Malaysia**  
Current Issues in Legal Ethics  
Speaker
- 2017            **Malaysian Bar: Seminars** on Overview of Conveyancing / Anti-Money  
Laundering and Anti-Terrorism Financing and Proceeds of Unlawful Activities /  
Getting Started Workshop - Speaker
- 2017            **Bank Negara Malaysia : Trilateral Regulatory Exchange Programme 2017**  
How do Lawyers comply to AML / CFT Regulatory requirements, challenges and  
compliances - Speaker
- 2016            **International Malaysian Law Conference**  
Speaker – Presentation on ‘Technology & the Legal Profession
- 2016            **World Youth Foundation**  
International Conference on “A Global Youth Partnership to End Child Marriage”  
Panellist Speaker
- 2014-2016      **Conveyancing & Litigation Roadshow**  
Johor, Penang, Perak, Pahang, Negeri Sembilan, Kuala Lumpur
- 2015            **Forum on Global Peace organised by Malacca Bar in conjunction with United  
Nations International Day of Peace**  
(Keynote Speaker : Tun Mahathir Mohamad)  
Panellist Speaker
- 2015            **Roadshow on E-Payment / Solicitors’ Account Rules 1990**  
Johor, Penang, Perak, Terengganu, Pahang, Kuala Lumpur
- 2015            **Independent Police Complaints and Misconduct Commission**  
Keynote Speaker  
Negeri Sembilan, Melaka, Terengganu
- 2015            **Victims Advocacy: National Consultation on The Rights of Vulnerable  
Witnesses in Court**  
Moderator

- 2014      **International Malaysian Law Conference**  
Moderator in the Breakout Session entitled Reporting Obligations of Legal Advisers under the Provisions of the Anti-Money Laundering and Anti-Terrorism Financing Act 2001
- 2014      **Convention of Rights for Children: UNICEF Celebrates International Day of Children**  
Keynote Speech : Making Child Rights Real for Children with Disabilities