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Expertise and Practice

Maria is experienced in representing clients in commercial disputes resolved through litigation and arbitration. She focuses on insolvency and fraud related matters, particularly professional negligence claims arising from large corporate collapses.

Maria has significant trial and hearing experience, including complex multi-jurisdictional claims. She has also represented clients in international arbitration proceedings, including in relation to the enforcement of arbitral awards.

Project Highlights

Maria's experience includes:

- Representing an English company in arbitration for breaches of a joint venture agreement involving a WFOE operating in the PRC.
- Representing an international shipping company in resisting the discharge of a 21M injunction and appealing the discharge of the injunction in the Hong Kong Court of Final Appeal.
- Representing a failed finance company in a professional negligence and breach of contract claim against a professional trustee company and a firm of solicitors.
- Representing a failed finance company in a professional negligence claim against a firm of solicitors and a breach of fiduciary duty claim against a director.

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- Representing a failed finance company in a professional negligence claim against a firm of accountants.

Career

Maria joined Lipman Karas in 2018 from Stephenson Harwood in Hong Kong. She commenced her career with Chapman Tripp in New Zealand.

Qualifications

- Master of Laws, University of Cambridge (2011)
- Bachelor of Laws (Hons), Victoria University of Wellington (2010)
- Bachelor of Commerce and Administration (Accounting and Finance), Victoria University of Wellington (2010)

Admissions

- High Court of Hong Kong (2015)
- High Court of New Zealand (2012)

Industry and Community

- Member, International Women's Insolvency & Restructuring Confederation (IWIRC)
- Member, INSOL International
- Member, Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants Restructuring and Insolvency Faculty (RIF)