

## **Biography of Ms Leung Oi-sie Elsie, GBM, JP**

**Leung Oi Sie Elsie**, is a Consultant of the legal firm of Iu, Lai & Li. She is a Solicitor and is also a Notary Public and China-Appointed Attesting Officer.

Elsie Leung qualified as a solicitor and started her practice in 1968. She obtained her LLM degree from the University of Hong Kong in 1988 (the first time HKU ran such course).

She has a distinguished record of public services and served on various government boards and committees. She was appointed as a Delegate of the People's Congress of Guangdong Province in 1989. In 1993, she was appointed as a Delegate of the 8th National People's Congress as well as a Hong Kong Affairs Adviser. She is a past President of the International Federation of Women Lawyers and legal adviser to a number of NGOs.

On July 1, 1997, Leung became the first Secretary for Justice of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region and an ex-officio member of the Executive Council, in which post she served until October 2005 when she retired but remained a member of the Constitutional Development Task Force (until the end of 2005). She resumed her legal practice in December 2006.

Currently, Leung is the Vice Director of the Hong Kong Basic Law Committee under the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress of the PRC; a Governor of the China-United States Exchange Foundation Ltd, and is also a Council Member of the Hong Kong Society of Notaries. She was awarded an honorary doctorate degree by both The University of Law & Politics of the PRC (2004), The Warwick University of England (2005), Shue Yan University (2010) and University of Science & Technology (2011). Leung also serves as an INED on the Board of Director of United Company Rusal PLC (Stock No. 486), China Resources Power Holdings Co. Ltd. (Stock No. 836), and Tong Ren Tang Chinese Medicine Co. Ltd. (Stock No.8138)all listed in Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

She was awarded the Grand Bauhinia Medal in July 2002 for her distinguished public service, and for her significant contributions in ensuring the successful implementation of the new constitutional order of Hong Kong under the One Country, Two Systems concept. She has also been a Justice of the Peace, Hong Kong since 1981.