

The Competition Commission (the Commission) is an independent statutory body established under the Competition Ordinance (Cap. 619) (the “Ordinance”) which was enacted in June 2012. The objective of the Ordinance is to prohibit conduct that prevents, restricts or distorts competition, and to prohibit mergers that substantially lessen competition in Hong Kong. The scope of the application of the merger rule is limited to carrier licences issued under the Telecommunications Ordinance (Cap. 106).

The Commission is now offering an exciting opportunity for a skilled and enthusiastic lawyer to join its busy legal team.

### **Legal Counsel (Ref.: CC/LC(L)20201130)**

The successful candidate will work in the Legal Division (the “Division”) of the Commission, reporting directly to senior staff in the Division.

#### **Responsibilities**

The role of the successful candidate will involve several different aspects, with assignments including, but not limited to, the following:

- Support the Division by conducting legal research, providing legal advice on complex competition law, public law, employment law, data privacy law and other issues;
- Review and process applications from businesses to consider the applicability of exclusions and exemptions under the Competition Ordinance;
- Assist the case team to investigate and take enforcement action in respect of cases of possible contraventions of the Competition Ordinance;
- Advise and assist in Tribunal, appeal and judicial review proceedings;
- Represent the Competition Commission in public advocacy and educational initiatives;
- Prepare Commission meeting minutes and providing input on reports, advice and submissions to the Government and external parties;
- Take up other assignments related to legal matters of the Competition Commission, such as, Legislative Council and Ombudsman;
- Provide general support to the various other functions of the Competition Commission; and
- Perform any other duties as assigned by supervisors.

## Requirements

Interested candidates should meet the following criteria:

- University degree in law, or equivalent;
- Lawyer with 3 years' post-qualification experience, currently admitted to practice in a common law or EU jurisdiction;
- Experience in civil litigation;
- Experience in competition law, public and/or administrative law is advantageous;
- Fluent in English (written and verbal), good command of Chinese (Cantonese) is advantageous but not necessary;
- Strong analytical, communication and presentation skills; and
- An enthusiastic and motivated team player, able to work independently, a self-starter and able to meet tight deadlines.

## Terms of Appointment

A competitive remuneration package inclusive of a contract-end gratuity and annual leave will be offered to the successful candidate. The appointee will be offered a 1-year fixed term contract, renewable dependent on operational needs and performance.

### Application:

Interested applicants should submit their applications at the Commission's Job Application System at [https://www.compcomm.hk/en/about/career/current\\_vacancies.html](https://www.compcomm.hk/en/about/career/current_vacancies.html).

The closing date for application is **29 December 2020**.

Where a large number of candidates meet the specified entry requirements, the recruiting section may devise shortlisting criteria to select the better qualified candidates for further processing. In these circumstances, only shortlisted candidates will be invited to attend an interview and/or recruitment test. Candidates who are selected for interview will normally receive an invitation in about six to eight weeks from the closing date.

All applications will be handled in strict confidence. Personal data collected from applicants will only be used for recruitment related purposes and will not be transferred to any third party. Personal data of unsuccessful applicants will be destroyed within 12 months of the recruitment process being completed by the appointment of a candidate for the relevant position.

Pursuant to the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance, a person who provides personal data to the Commission has the right to request access to and correction of their personal data held by the Commission. Requests for access to or correction of personal data should be made in accordance with the Commission's Privacy Policy available on the Commission's website at [www.compcomm.hk](http://www.compcomm.hk). The Commission is an equal opportunities employer.<sup>41</sup>