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His case experience includes:

- Acting as lead counsel before the Court of Appeal in *Public Prosecutor v Bong Sim Swan Suzanna* [2020] SGCA 82 & [2020] SGCA 93, a criminal reference brought by the Prosecution to clarify the weight to be accorded to uncharged offences in sentencing.
- Acting as lead counsel for the second accused in *Public Prosecutor v Soh Chee Wen* [2020] 3 SLR 1435 (No. 1) & *Public Prosecutor v Soh Chee Wen* [2020] SGHC 186 (No. 2), both of which involved novel points of law in criminal procedure. *Soh Chee Wen* (No. 1) concerned the Prosecution’s ability to invoke litigation privilege and *Soh Chee Wen* (No. 2) concerned a superior court’s inherent power to stay criminal proceedings for abuse of process.
- Being appointed as Young Amicus Curiae by the High Court in *Cheong Wei Chang v Lee Hsien Loong* [2019] 3 SLR 326, which involved the then unsettled question of a court’s inherent powers to restrain vexatious litigants. The Court thanked Yi Siong for his “most helpful assistance”.
- Acting for the Singapore Medical Council in various appeals before the Court of 3 Judges: *Singapore Medical Council v Wong Him Choon* [2016] 4 SLR 1086; *Chia Fong Lin v Singapore Medical Council* [2017] 5 SLR 334; *Lam Kwok Tai Leslie v Singapore Medical Council* [2017] 5 SLR 1168; *Wong Meng Hang v Singapore Medical Council* [2019] 3 SLR 526; and *Foo Chee Boon Edward v Singapore Medical Council* [2020] 4 SLR 1075.

In August 2019, Yi Siong was at 29 the youngest recipient of the prestigious Joseph Grimberg Outstanding Young Advocate Award by the Singapore Academy of Law. Named after a highly-regarded former Judicial Commissioner and Senior Counsel, the award recognizes young lawyers in good standing who exhibit professional excellence, service to the profession and the bar, and service to the community. In December 2016, Yi Siong was at 27 the youngest male lawyer named by the Singapore Business Review as one of Singapore’s “Most Influential Lawyers aged 40 and under in 2016”.

Yi Siong also served as a Council member of the Law Society of Singapore from January 2017 to December 2018. During the course of his 2-year term, he was described by Law Society President Gregory Vijayendran SC as having “played a vital role in drafting law reform papers for Council” (President’s Message, Singapore Law Gazette, August 2018). At the conclusion of his term on Council, Law Society CEO Delphine Loo Tan expressed the Law Society’s “deepest appreciation ... for his tireless and dedicated service to the work of the Law Society” (CEO’s Message, Singapore Law Gazette, January 2019).

Yi Siong graduated magna cum laude from Singapore Management University in 2014, placing on the Dean’s List in his final year, and was admitted as an Advocate & Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Singapore in 2015. He was an international moot court coach with his alma mater from 2015 to 2020, having coached teams for the Price Media Law Moot Court Competition in Oxford, UK, the Red Cross International Humanitarian Law Moot in Hong Kong, and the Nuremberg Moot Court in Nuremberg, Germany. As an undergraduate, he was 4th Best Oralist at the 2013 Price Moot and Best Oralist of the 2014 Red Cross Moot.

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