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Josephine W. Hadikusumo currently serves as Director, Principal Mediator and Trainer for the Asia Mediation Centre (www.asiamediation.com). She is concurrently Managing Partner in CJ Liew & Co (www.cjliew.com), a law firm specializing in matters related to commercial and cross-border transactions, corporate compliance and conciliation.

Lawyer

- Bachelor of Laws (LLB) from **Melbourne University** in 1999; Master of Laws (LLM) from **Bond University**
- Advocate and Solicitor of the **High Court of Sabah and Sarawak**, qualified as the same in the **Supreme Court of New South Wales** (Australia) and the **High Court of Malaya**; Fellow of the Academy at the **Centre of American and International Law** in Texas.
- Advocate and Solicitor since 2000, practiced as a corporate lawyer in Kuala Lumpur, and then as Regional Counsel in a US MNC in Singapore from 2008-2019, supporting various businesses and initiatives across Asia.
- Managing Partner in practice at **CJ Liew & Co** since 2019 upon her return to Sabah.

International Mediator

- Founded the **Asia Mediation Centre**, the first mediation centre in East Malaysia providing mediation services and accreditation training. Has trained more than two-thirds of the total number of accredited mediators in Sabah since December 2020.
- ADR sub-committee under the **Sabah Law Society** and sits on the **International Chamber of Commerce Commission (ICC) Task Force on ADR and Arbitration** based in Paris.
- Mediator and Adjunct Faculty for the **Singapore Mediation Centre (SMC)**.
- Trains and assesses mediators internationally providing support to institutions including the **Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre (HKIAC)**, and as a delegate at the **United Nations Convention of International Trade Law (UNCITRAL)** panel in Vienna.
- Member of the Working Group established by the Chief Justice of Singapore to promote ADR, producing a **"White Paper on Mediation"**.
- Director on the Board for the **Singapore International Mediation Institute (SIMI)**, a standards board for mediation supported by the Ministry of Law, Singapore.
- Co-authored and published a study on *"Recent Developments in International Mediation: Singapore's Unique Approach"* in 2019.

Community Advocate

- President of the **Society of Hope Sabah**, and NGO focused on improving social mobility among underprivileged communities in Sabah.
- Started the **"The Project Hope Milk Fund"** to distribute 3000 packets of milk powder to children ages 1-3 affected by the pandemic. This project aims to reach 10,000 children by the middle of 2022.
- Past recipient of the **"The Most Outstanding Young Person 2007"** Award (Humanitarian, Children & World Peace Category) at state category in Malaysia.