



Eugene is an Of Counsel in the Family and Divorce Practice Group. He specialises in all areas of family and matrimonial law, including contentious custody, care and control disputes, maintenance for wives and children, division of matrimonial assets, family violence, relocation applications and cross-jurisdictional disputes such as child abductions.

Eugene is a firm advocate of therapeutic justice. His practice includes representing clients in alternative dispute resolution in mediation (both private and court directed) with the aim to achieve practical and sustainable outcomes for clients with minimal acrimony.

Eugene was listed as one of the Family Law Rising Stars in the 2023 edition of Doyle's Guide – Singapore. In Doyle's Guide 2024, Eugene was recognised as a Recommended Lawyer.

Eugene has vast experience in acting for clients in both contentious and non-contentious matters. He has litigation experience in all levels of Court and has acted as lead counsel in matters heard both in the Family Court and the Family Division of the High Court.

His recent experiences include: -

- URS v URT [2019] SGFC 7 – acted for the Defendant Wife and successfully obtained maintenance for the child under her care in a split care and control arrangement. While the Court at first instance dismissed the Wife's claim for backdated maintenance, on appeal to the Family Division of the High Court, the Wife's appeal for backdated maintenance was allowed.

- VBL v VBM [2019] SGFC 112 – acted for the Defendant Husband and was successful in having the Plaintiff Wife's application for enforcement of maintenance dismissed on the basis of fundamental procedural irregularity.

- VIE v VIF (unreported decision by the Family Division of the High Court) – acted for the Defendant Wife in a marriage of 36 years and succeeded in getting the High Court to return the value of about S\$2.4 million (being losses arising from loans that the Husband had extended to a third party) back into the matrimonial assets pool for division.

- Unreported decision in HCF/DT 554/2018 by the Family Division of the High Court – acted for the Plaintiff Wife in a marriage of 39 years, where the Wife was awarded 65% of the pool of matrimonial assets. The Court drew substantial adverse inference against the Husband and agreed with the Wife's case that the Husband had shown a degree of financial irresponsibility in how he managed his finances given the large quantities of debt he chalked up during the marriage.

Eugene graduated with a double degree, LLB (Cum Laude) and B.Sc.(Economics) (Cum Laude), from the Singapore Management University in 2013, and was admitted as an Advocate and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Singapore in 2016.

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