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COURT VOLUNTEERS RECOGNISED FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS

total of 340 court volunteers were recognised for their support and dedication to the administration of justice in 2021. Among them, 12 received a special honour for their exemplary commitment to pro bono work.

With the annual Judiciary Volunteers Appreciation Dinner dispensed again in 2021 to ensure people's safety and well-being, the Judiciary found another way to express its appreciation to the court volunteers. Each was gifted a four-piece coaster set produced by Highpoint Community Services Association, a thermal glass mug and a message from Chief Justice Sundaresh Menon.

Clockwise from bottom left: Mr Lukshumayeh, Mr Chan, Mr Devadas and Ms Tan posing with their awards.



AWARD RECIPIENTS

Legal Assistance Scheme for Capital Offences (LASCO) Award

Mr M Lukshumayeh

Outstanding Court Volunteer Awards

Mr Zechariah Chan (Advocate and Solicitor Category)

Mr Mathavan Devadas (Open Category)

Ms Tan Yean San (Student Category)

Long Service Awards

Mr Krishna S/O Veerappen

Mr Ang Wee Tiong

Mr Deepak Natverlal

Ms Gloria James-Civetta

Mr Melvin See Hsien Huei

Mr Raymond Lam Kuo Wei

Mr Richard Lim Teck Hock

Ms Viviene Kaur Sandhu

ANNUAL TRAINING FOR COURT VOLUNTEER MEDIATORS

very year, the State Courts' Court Dispute Resolution cluster conducts training sessions for Court Volunteer Mediators to ensure that their knowledge and skill sets remain relevant and up to date. Two sessions were held virtually in 2021, on 4 June and 19 November.

Applying Conflict-Coaching Techniques in Mediation

There were 108 participants at the 4 June session. It covered how mediators can use conflict-coaching techniques to help parties clarify their perspectives, set clear and achievable goals for resolving the dispute, and devise actionable plans to attain those goals, thereby ending the dispute amicably. During a panel discussion, participants shared how they had applied the coaching techniques to their cases and how these techniques had helped in the cases before them.

Ethics for Mediators

The session on 19 November, with 111 participants in attendance, focused on the importance of maintaining neutrality and ethical conduct during mediation. A senior consultant from Sage Mediation

explained how to spot red flags and navigate grey areas while upholding one's duty as a peacemaker. Case scenarios were presented, which prompted participants to share their views on fairness and impartiality. They also enthusiastically shared their own experiences during a panel discussion.



Through annual training, Court Volunteer Mediators refresh their knowledge and skills to perform their roles well.