Path Builder Mentorship Programme

Path Builder Mentorship Programme was a very meaningful event organised by The Law Society of Hong Kong. The objective of which was to give guidance to the young people in their formative years. I was honoured to have participated in this programme.

During the past six months, I was assigned to be the de facto mentor (whilst Mr Junius Ho was giving full support behind) for Wong Kwok Shui, a Form 2 student at the Tin Shui Wai Methodist College. At the first time when I met Kwok Shui, I found him to be a shy person who did not initiate conversation too much. But after several rounds of meeting and discussion, he then opened up more and became more confident and receptive to new matters surrounding him.

Kwok Shui told me that one of the reasons he joined the programme was to have acquaintance with a professional person to talk to. During our meetings, I realized that Kwok Shui was very eager to hear advice from me on all matters that interested him, particularly, he showed much concern for his future, such as, which curriculum he should choose for his tertiary study ahead. Kwok Shui voiced out his interest in finance. Indeed, when we came to the topic of economy of Hong Kong and the Mainland, he could always state his view quite sharply and he was conversant about the intricate relationship between the two places. I believe he has talent in this field. Hence, I recommended him to study economics which I hope I have given him the right advice.

As a matter of fact, I reckon that my participation in this programme was not only just being helpful to the young but it is at the same time beneficial to myself. Through this exercise, I could also evaluate myself and improve where I found myself being inadequate. I do hope that **The Law Society of Hong Kong** will continue to organize these similar events so that more young people may benefit from it. After all, we, the lawyers are not just mindful for gaining pecuniary interest from our deeds. We are also a caring profession.

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