



## **LEE, Martin Chu-ming**

Martin Lee is a barrister and the founding Chairman of the Democratic Party of Hong Kong. Prior to the founding of the party in 1994, Lee was Chairman of the United Democrats. Lee was appointed Queen's Counsel in 1979 and was Chairman of the Hong Kong Bar Association from 1980-1983. He served for four years as a member of the Basic Law Drafting Committee, appointed by Beijing to draft Hong Kong's post-1997 constitution.

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Narrates his education in Hong Kong and career as barrister. Also mentions his seat on the Queen's Counsel and role as Chairman of the Bar, and talks of his uncertainty in staying in Hong Kong during the 1980s. Discusses the changes in Hong Kong's legal system and the Sino-British Joint Declaration. Lee also recounts his early decision in going into politics, his experience in the Legislative Council, as well as his later involvement in the Democratic Party. Interview ends with Lee's discussion on Beijing and the issue of democracy, as well as his views on Hong Kong's heritage.

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