

The JLEGAL PQE

Personality Questionnaire Experience



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Throughout the year, JLegal examines the PQE of a senior in-house counsel. On this occasion, we speak with Lyanne Tan, someone who's not a fan of roller coasters, tardiness and confessions!

- **What is your current state of mind?**
Having a case of the Monday blues.
- **What's something you're glad you'll never have to do again?**
The New York Bar, or any other exams for that matter.
- **What's one thing you always procrastinate on?**
Going to confession.
- **Is there anything you consider absolutely unforgivable?**
Recent actions of kiasu Singaporeans grabbing, hoarding and stockpiling toilet paper, masks, food etc. in the wake of the coronavirus, thus depriving others of the items, is pretty disgraceful. Do we really need 16 bags of rice? It's not the zombie apocalypse!
- **If you woke up tomorrow with no fear, what would you do first?**
Go on all the roller coaster rides at Universal Studios (see next answer).
- **What is your greatest fear?**
Plane crashes and roller coasters.
- **What is one behaviour that you never tolerate?**
Habitual lateness.
- **Who would you hate to be stuck in a lift with?**
A militant vegan.
- **What is something you have always dreamt of doing but have never done?**
Going on a road trip across the US.
- **Your house, containing everything you own, catches fire. After saving your loved ones and pets, you have time to safely make a final dash to save any one item. What would it be? Why?**
My drawer of Victorian snuffboxes and pillboxes (does that count as 1 item?) because I have been collecting them for many years and they are priceless and irreplaceable.
- **What is your happiest memory?**
Soaking in an open-air onsen in a Hokkaido ryokan, with snow falling on my head.
- **Which words or phrases do you most overuse?**
"Wahlau eh" - I don't think there is an equivalent in the English language.
[editor's note: it translates loosely to "what the heck?!"]
- **How do you want to be remembered?**
I want to be remembered as someone who held true to, and never compromised on her values or integrity, regardless of the outcome.



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