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Personality Questionnaire Experience

Every month, JLegal examines the PQE of a senior in-house counsel. This month we speak with Stephen Man who, despite being Canadian, won't be listening to Justin Bieber songs on holidays or in his totally unnecessary car.

Stephen Man

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at Uber



- What is on your mind at the moment?
Fading memories of the summer break with my kids and family in my small hometown in Canada.
- Which talent would you most like to have?
The ability to make people laugh.
- What is your idea of misery?
Being alone, away from family and friends.
Or listening to Justin Bieber non-stop.
- What do you most value in your friends?
Trust and receiving/giving advice without judgment.
- If you weren't a lawyer you would be a ...
Law enforcement officer of some sort.
- What is your most precious possession?
My health.
- Where were you born?
Orillia, a small city in Ontario, Canada.
- Where is the best place you have ever been to?
Love Sydney as my favourite city, but for a single spot, it would be on the shores of one of the many lakes not far from my hometown during a summer evening. Ultimate tranquility.
- What is your greatest regret?
Nothing major, but not buying property during the SARS (severe acute respiratory syndrome) outbreak in Hong Kong in 2003 still haunts me a bit.
Fat city for me if I had.
- What do you consider your greatest achievement?
My two girls, Madison and Macy. Teaching them to be good people will be the most important work I do my whole life.
- What is the strangest thing you have seen?
"Personal grooming" on public transportation in Hong Kong. I won't go into details.
- What is your motto?
Don't worry, be happy.
- Top 3 favourite movies of all time?
The Princess Bride (fantastic for the whole family), Rocky (the underdog) and Silence of the Lambs (liver, chianti and fava beans).
- What do you consider the most overrated virtue?
I'm going broader than the 7 heavenly virtues because they're all pretty strong. Sobriety strikes me as being particularly misguided though.
- What is your greatest extravagance?
My car - completely unnecessary in Hong Kong.
- If you could change one thing about yourself, what would it be?
Worry less.
- What would you like to be remembered for?
Being optimistic and seeing the good in any situation, and for being a good role model for my girls.



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