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RAVI S/O MADASAMY TO FACE CONTEMPT OF COURT PROCEEDINGS; DISCIPLINARY COMPLAINTS MADE AGAINST MR RAVI AND MR CHENG KIM KUAN

The Attorney-General ("AG") has applied for committal orders against Mr Ravi s/o Madasamy ("Mr Ravi") for contempt of court in connection with his conduct during two separate court proceedings before the High Court and the State Courts in November 2021.

2 The Attorney-General's Chambers ("AGC") has also filed two disciplinary complaints to the Law Society of Singapore ("Law Society") against Mr Ravi and Mr Cheng Kim Kuan ("Mr Cheng") of M/s K K Cheng Law LLC respectively.

Committal orders against Mr Ravi for contempt of court

3 It is the AG's position that in *Chua Qwong Meng v SBS Transit Ltd* ("*Chua Qwong Meng*"), a civil trial in the High Court, and *Public Prosecutor v Magendran Muniandy* ("*Magendran Muniandy*"), a criminal prosecution in the State Courts, Mr Ravi acted in a manner that was contemptuous of the respective courts by, among other things:

- a. making unfounded allegations of bias against the judges;
- b. persistently interrupting the judges in the course of the proceedings;
- c. taking legal positions in *Chua Qwong Meng* without obtaining or confirming his client's instructions; and
- d. misrepresenting his availability to conduct the proceedings in *Magendran Muniandy*.

4 The High Court and the State Courts made separate complaints to the AG in December 2021 in respect of Mr Ravi's conduct, pursuant to section 22 of the Administration of Justice (Protection) Act 2016. Following careful consideration of the complaints, on 7 January 2022 the AGC filed applications for leave to apply for committal orders against Mr Ravi for contempt of court. The High Court granted such leave in *Chua Qwong Meng* and *Magendran Muniandy* on 7 and 11 February 2022 respectively. Pursuant to the grant of leave, the applications for committal orders against Mr Ravi for contempt of court were filed on 18 February 2022. Hearing dates for the application have not yet been scheduled.

5 Contempt of court in its various forms impedes the proper administration of justice in Singapore. Left unchecked, such conduct can obstruct the determination of the truth and erode respect for our judicial institutions. This would harm the public interest in the proper administration of justice. AGC takes a serious view of this and will not hesitate to take firm action against those who engage in such conduct.

Disciplinary complaints against Mr Ravi and Mr Cheng

6 AGC has also filed two disciplinary complaints to the Law Society against Mr Ravi and his Supervising Solicitor¹, Mr Cheng respectively. The complaints relate to alleged misconduct by Mr Ravi in his conduct of legal cases as well as breaches by Mr Ravi and Mr Cheng of their professional undertakings to the Supreme Court of Singapore and the Council of the Law Society in relation to the conditions imposed on Mr Ravi's Practising Certificate for Practice Year 2021/2022.

7 The complaints are now pending before the Law Society.

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¹ Mr Cheng had given an undertaking to the Supreme Court and the Council of the Law Society to personally supervise Mr Ravi's practice as an advocate and solicitor at M/s K K Cheng Law LLC and to take all necessary steps to ensure Mr Ravi's compliance with the conditions imposed on his Practising Certificate for Practice Year 2021/2022.

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