OLDHAM, LI AND NIE: MR BRIAN LAURENCE KIERAN, YOU MAY RUN, BUT WE SHALL FIND YOU!

A former barrister in good standing of the Hongkong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) of the People's Republic of China (PRC) has left town, leaving behind some unpaid debts.

At least, on the surface, that would appear to be the case from the point of view of the HKSAR solicitors' firm of Oldham, Li and Nie, which has just sued Mr Brian Laurence Kieran.

Mr Brian Laurence Kieran, according to the database of **TOLFIN** () (The Computerised Online Financial Intelligence Service and Web-Based, Credit-Checking Provider), was admitted as a barrister to the HKSAR High Court on April 18, 1988.

His name was removed from the Roll of Barristers of the HKSAR High Court on September 19, 2000, **TOLFIN**'s records indicate.

On January 23, 2006, Oldham, Li and Nie sued Mr Brian Laurence Kieran in the Small Claims Tribunal for \$HK42,230 in respect of alleged work done and services rendered.

The Form of Claim of The Small Claims Tribunal puts the addresses of Mr Brian Laurence Kieran as being:

Flat 1, Number One, Grosvenor Terrace, Leeds, LSG 2AY, United Kingdom.

and

Flat 3, Benflect Hall, Number 23, Green Lane, Cobham, Surrey, KT11 2NN, United Kingdom.

In the Particulars of the Grounds of the Claim, lodged in The Small Claims Tribunal by Oldham, Li and Nie, it is alleged that Mr Brian Laurence Kieran was a client of Oldham, Li and Nie, the Claimant.

Between April 28, 2005, and August 13, 2005, the Claimant issued bills to Mr Brian Laurence Kieran, it is alleged, the aggregate amount of those bills, being \$HK67,230.

The Claimant attests that it received a partial payment in the amount of \$HK25,000, but that was all she wrote, as the saying goes.

This case has, recently, been transferred to the HKSAR District Court.

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