

CURRICULUM VITAE – DENNIS TAN LIP FONG

Born on 31 August 1970, Dennis received his early education in Singapore at Nanyang Primary School, Raffles Institution and Raffles Junior College.

Dennis studied law at the University of Nottingham, UK. After graduating with a Bachelor of Laws (Hons) in 1994, he went to bar school in London and qualified as a Barrister-at-Law at the Middle Temple, London. He returned to work as a lawyer in Singapore and became an Advocate and Solicitor, Supreme Court of Singapore in 1997. Dennis re-qualified as a Solicitor, Supreme Court of England & Wales, in 1999 while working in an English law firm, Stephenson Harwood. Dennis obtained his Masters in Maritime Law at the University of Southampton in 2005.

Dennis practised as a shipping lawyer from 1997 to the present date, doing both contentious and non-contentious shipping legal work. He was previously a partner in Ang & Partners, before starting the shipping law firm, DennisMathiew in 2005 with another partner. He is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, United Kingdom and is currently a Consultant at DennisMathiew.

Dennis joined the Workers' Party as a volunteer during the 2011 General Election and became a member in early 2012. In September 2013, he was co-opted as a member of the party's Executive Council. In July 2014, he was elected to the party's Executive Council and became the party's Vice-Chair, Media Team. He was the Treasurer of the party between 2016-2018. Since 2018, Dennis has been the party's Organising Secretary.

Dennis contested in the Single Member Constituency (SMC) of Fengshan in the 2015 General Election and became a Non-Constituency Member of Parliament. Dennis contested in the 2020 General Election and was elected as the Member of Parliament for Hougang SMC. In the 2025 General Election, he was re-elected as the Member of Parliament for Hougang SMC for another term.

The issues which he had regularly spoken on in the last 2 terms of Parliament involve transport (including public transport, air and sea), climate change and the environment, foreign affairs, defence, law and corporate governance, healthcare, and issues involving seniors.

Dennis is married to Hui Tsing and they have a daughter, Abigail. Dennis enjoys running and cycling. Dennis enjoys reading non-fiction, history, politics and biography.