Bio & Policy Statement from
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BIO

Cliff Buddle is a senior editor at the South China Morning Post. He has been a journalist for more than 30 years. Cliff worked as a court reporter in London before coming to Hong Kong to join the SCMP in 1994. His roles have included news editor, deputy editor, and acting editor-in-chief.

Through his coverage of court cases, Cliff developed an interest in studying law. He passed the Common Professional Examination in 2000 and a Masters degree in human rights law in 2005. Cliff teaches media law at the University of Hong Kong and law more generally for HKUSPACE.

Cliff is married with two teenage sons and enjoys hiking, running, swimming and the occasional game of football.

STATEMENT

I first set foot in the FCC very soon after arriving in Hong Kong in 1994. This is a great club with fine traditions. The FCC, as its members know, is much more than an ideal place to meet up with friends for a drink or a meal. Whether campaigning for press freedom - more important now in Hong Kong than ever before - or providing a platform for informed debate on the key issues facing this city and the region, the FCC is setting the agenda. It plays a vital role in the community. I am keen to be more involved in helping the club develop. If elected I will strive to ensure the FCC grows and prospers, becoming an even better home-from-home for its members and an asset to Hong Kong.