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Mr Gao practices in the international and/or cross-border dispute resolutions about 20 years with extensive experiences. He often sits as sole arbitrator or co-arbitrator in various commercial arbitrations. Mr Gao also owns capability on the investment and compliance areas.

In international arbitration, Mr. Gao represented domestic and international clients in international commercial and maritime arbitrations under the administered arbitration rules of ICC, LMAA, SCC, AAA-ICDR, HKIAC, CIETAC, SCIA, BAC, SHIAC and Ad Hoc arbitration under UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules. The seat of arbitration covers Stockholm, London, California, Singapore, Hong Kong and Mainland China, the arbitration languages include English and Chinese.

In cross-border litigation, Mr. Gao often appears before the Supreme Court of China and various High Court and Intermediate Court around China acting for domestic and international clients in numerous complex civil and commercial cases. Mr. Gao also acted as co-counsel in the international dispute heard by the courts in England, New York, California, Sharjah, Hong Kong, Singapore, Taiwan and other jurisdictions.

In investment, Mr. Gao has experience in cross-border IPO and merger and acquisition, foreign direct investment, technology development and transfer, real estate development, engineering procurement and construction, airlines charter etc.

In compliance and regulatory matters, Mr. Gao handled administrative cases and cases across criminal and civil matters involving fraud, taxation, trademark, anti-trust, customs, public security etc. Mr Gao also owns experience in the US export control law and customs law as well as China's.

With aspiration to move the development of the legal profession, Mr. Gao often organizes various bona fide activities, gets invited to make speeches, and publishes dozens of articles in law journals.

PUBLICATIONS:

"The Recognition and Enforcement of PRC Civil and Commercial Judgments in Hong Kong" (co-author), Tian Yuan [China], March 2024

"The Latest Rules of Determination of the Applicable Law of the Arbitration Clause in the United Kingdom"(co-author), People's Court Daily [China], No.9340, Side 8, Tian Yuan [China], March 2024

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"Introduction on the Ascertainment of Applicable Law regarding the Foreign-Related Contract- in the views of PRC Law and Foreign Law as well as the Practice"- All China Lawyers Association [China], April 2020; Benchmark Publications [China] , April 2020; Tian Yuan [China], April 2020

"The Series of Trade Compliance(I): From the Perspective of the Effect of US Export Control Law on Trade between China and US" (co-author), Tian Yuan [China], December 2019; Benchmark Publications [China], December 2019

"The Attribution of Responsibility of the Director of Sino-foreign Joint Venture Enterprises with Dual Identity" (co-arbitrator), Tian Yuan [China], November 2019

"Raising the Voice of China on the International Legal Stage", Outstanding International Lawyer in Guangdong, pages 96-98, edited by Guangdong Lawyers Association, Hong Kong Wenhui Publishing House, 2018

"Legal Environment Report of the 'Belt and Road' Countries"- Brazil Section (co-translator), edited by All-China Lawyers Association, Peking University Press [China]， 2018

"The Perfect Practice on the China Arbitration Review System", Tian Yuan [China], November 2018

"The General Introduction on ICSID Investment Arbitration" (co-author), Tian Yuan [China], June 2018

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"The Introduction of Swiss Judicial System" (co-author), Tian Yuan [China], November 2017

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"The Introduction of Temporary Restraining Order by Commenting the 'Traveling Ban' of Donald Trump" (co-author), People's Court Daily [China], Issue No.6984, Side 8, People's Court Journalism and Communication Head Press, 2017

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Lawyers [China] No. 2, Issue 187, pages 50-51, 2013

“How to Face the International Product Tort Action”, Shenzhen Lawyers [China] No. 33, page 29, 2011

“Insured Interests and Risk Transfer on Marine Cargo”, PICC [China] No.2, page 56, 2005

Education

- Zhongnan University of Economics and Law International Economic Law L.L.B
- Oxford University (UK) Diploma Course in International Commercial Arbitration
- Georgetown University (US) Diploma Course in Cross-border Dispute Resolution
- Oklahoma City University (US) Diploma Course in Commercial Law
- Renmin University of China Diploma Course in International Commercial Arbitration

Social Activities

- Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre List of Arbitrators
- AALCO Hong Kong Regional Arbitration Centre Panel of Arbitrators
- Shenzhen Court of International Arbitration Panel of Arbitrator
- Wuhan Arbitration Commission Panel of Arbitrator
- Guangzhou Arbitration Commission Panel of Arbitrator
- ICC Institute of World Business Law Member
- ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR Delegate (2021-2024)
- The International Association Defense Counsel (US) Member

Honors

- Ministry of Justice, PRC Leading International Lawyer
- China Business Law Journal Deal of the Year - International Arbitration
- The Legal 500 Asia Pacific Recommended Lawyer - Dispute Resolution
- Benchmark Litigation Litigation Stars
- ALB Dispute Lawyer in South and Central Region of China (The Finalists)

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