

Senior Partner

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Practice Area: <u>M&A and Restructuring</u>, <u>CAPITAL MARKETS AND IPO</u>, <u>PRIVATE EQUITY AND</u> <u>VENTURE CAPITAL INVESTMENT</u>, <u>FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT</u>

# **Professional Experience**

#### Corporate merger and acquisition/reorganization/listing

Proficient in the laws and regulations concerning domestic and overseas listing, merger, acquisition and reorganization of companies and in the regulatory practice of government agencies, Mr. Liu can provide customers with all-round legal services, including the design of the overall structure, due diligence and legal opinions, in respect of merger, acquisition, reorganization or listing projects.

#### **Foreign Investment**

In the field of foreign investment, Mr. Liu has years of practical experience and provides services that cover all aspects of foreign investment projects, including the planning of legal architecture, due diligence, drafting of and negotiation over legal documents before implementation of projects, with an aptitude for designing the best legal operation plan to suit specific projects.

#### **Real Estate**

In the field of real estate, Mr. Liu is excels at designing the overall structure of legal plans for projects and provides legal services that cover the entire process from land grant and transfer, development, sales, property management to the acquisition of large-scale housing property projects.

#### **Financial Institution**

Mr. Liu is one of the lawyers who were the first in South China to pursue the legal business of foreign banks and, in recent years, has provided high-quality legal services for a number of well-known foreign banks, including the establishment of branches in China, review of compliance with Chinese laws and work necessary for large loan projects.

## **Representative Performance**

- Listing/Acquisition/Reorganization of Domestic Companies
  - The Industrial Bank's introduction of Hang Seng Bank as a strategic investor.
  - Desai Electronics' acquisition of Shenzhen Wanshan for back-door listing.
- Overseas Listing
  - Ping An Insurance's listing on the Main Board of Hong Kong (Mr. Liu served as the Chinese lawyer of the broker)
  - Haina Sports Goods' listing on AIM of Britain (Mr. Liu served as the Chinese lawyer of the company)
- Foreign Investment
  - Represented Cathay International in acquiring two subsidiaries under Sanjiu Group. Assisted Cathay in successfully completing the full-scale acquisition of two target companies when Sanjiu itself was in a complicated situation of a major reorganization by drawing up an overall solution for a blanket transfer of the creditor's rights, debts and equity between the two companies and Sanjiu
  - Represented Canadian Romac Inc. in acquiring Hubei Yichange International Trade Group, the flagship of a large retail industry of the province, enabling Romac to become the sole largest shareholder. This acquisition project was listed as a key investment attraction project of Hubei

Province in 2006 by the provincial government. After completion of the acquisition, Romac appointed Mr. Liu as a non-executive director of the Group in an expression of its full recognition of and confidence in the quality legal services of Shenzhen Branch

- Represented SK Gas of South Korea in due diligence relating to China Gas Holdings Co., Ltd. and designed the plan for strategic cooperation, laying a solid legal basis for SK's entry into the domestic gas sector of mainland China through its cooperation with China Gas
- Real Estate

Provided whole-process legal services for the overall acquisition and construction of a commercial building with an operation area of nearly 100,000 square meters

Provided whole-process legal services for Shenzhen New Age Fortune Enterprise Group to acquire a number of real estate projects worth nearly 1 billion yuan

Provides legal services for the real estate projects of Coastal Real Estate Group in more than 10 cities on mainland China as its permanent legal adviser.

• Financial Institution

Provided whole-process legal services for the Industrial Bank in introducing Hang Seng Bank as sole foreign strategic investor

Provided legal services for Tokyo Mitsubishi Bank Shenzhen Branch in an examination of its full compliance with Chinese laws

Legal Counsel to:

Mr. Liu was/is permanent legal adviser to some large domestic and foreign companies, including:
WALMART (China), HSBC, The Chartered Bank, Cathay International, Coastal Real Estate Group,
Jingshun Great Wall Fund Management Company, Hubei Yichang International Trade Group,
Hubei Wanwek Property Group, Shenzhen Huaqiang Co., Ltd. and Shenzhen Energy & Logistics.

### **Social Status**

- Specially invited senior lecturer of the Lecturers' Group for Law Popularization of the Guangdong Provincial Department of Justice
- Member of The Belt and Road International Lawyers Association

## **Honorary Titles**

• IFLR1000 China, leading lawyer, 2021

### **Education Background**

- Zhejiang University, LL.B, 2000
- Law School of the University of Sheffield, LL.M, 2002.