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业务领域 Banking and Finance

Professional Fields :

Corporate and M&A, Cross-border Investment and M&A, Private Equity Investment, International Commercial Arbitration, Dispute Resolution

Qualification :

Licensed Attorney in China, New York Bar, Securities Industry Qualification, Fund Industry Qualification

Professional Experience :

Dr. Chen Tao graduated from the Law School of Jilin University, obtaining his Bachelor of Laws, Master of Laws, and Doctor of Laws degrees successively. He obtained his Chinese lawyer's practice qualification in 2006. In 2009, he earned an LL.M. degree from the John Marshall Law School in the United States and obtained his New York State bar qualification in the same year. He previously worked at Commerce & Finance Law Offices, Zhong Lun Law Firm, and Northeast Securities Co., Ltd. He transferred to Beijing DHH Law Firm in 2020 and currently serves as an Equity Partner, Director of the Banking and Finance Business Center, and Head of the Financial Investment, Financing and Dispute Resolution Department.

Dr. Chen has over 15 years of legal practice experience, focusing on corporate and M&A, cross-border investment and M&A, private equity investment, international commercial arbitration, and dispute resolution. Qualified to practice law in both China and the United States, he has provided professional legal services to numerous well-known domestic and international enterprises and financial institutions. He is adept at handling complex legal issues and is committed to providing clients with efficient and precise solutions.

Representative Cases :

Cross-border Investment and M&A: Successfully provided legal services for investment and M&A projects in the United States and Europe for several Chinese enterprises, involving fund sizes exceeding 2.4 billion RMB.

1. Provided legal services for the liquidation and dissolution project of the US subsidiary of Beijing Shunyi Technology Innovation Group Co., Ltd.;
2. Provided legal services for the investment and financing of several US subsidiaries of Changchun High-Tech Industry (Group) Co., Ltd.;
3. Provided special legal services for the establishment, operation, and compliance of overseas

investment subsidiaries of Inspur Information;

4. Provided special legal services for the cross-border investment of AECC;
5. Provided legal services for the cross-border investment in a USD fund by Glodon Software;
6. Provided legal services for the “internal guarantee, external loan” project of East West Bank (USA);
7. Provided special legal services for the credit grant project from China Development Bank to National Bank of Egypt;
8. Provided legal services for the Russian M&A project of China-Russia Fund Management Co., Ltd.;
9. Provided legal services for the establishment of an overseas M&A fund (fund size 700 million RMB) by a pharmaceutical-affiliated fund management company to acquire an international insurance enterprise;
10. Provided legal services for the establishment of an overseas M&A fund (fund size 1.7 billion RMB) by a fund management company to acquire a German environmental protection equipment manufacturing enterprise;
11. Provided legal services for the establishment of an overseas M&A fund (fund size 700 million RMB) by a fund management company to acquire a Texas oil service enterprise in the USA.

Corporate and M&A, Private Equity Investment: Provided legal services for M&A and equity investment projects for state-owned enterprises and private equity funds, with a total value exceeding 10 billion RMB.

1. Provided legal services for China Orient Asset Management Company’s 7 billion RMB real estate acquisition project;
2. Provided legal services for China Orient Asset Management Company’s acquisition of a PPP project from a China Railway company;

3. Provided special legal services for the acquisition of a Ningxia coal mine enterprise by a state-owned energy group;
4. Provided special legal services for equity investments for state-owned industrial guidance funds including the National Military-Civilian Integration Fund, CETC Research Investment Fund, AVIC Industry Fund, and Shanghai Tech VC;
5. Provided legal services for an equity investment project of Russia-China Investment Fund;
6. Provided legal services for an equity investment project of Natong Technology Group;
7. Provided legal services for an equity investment project of Mingfeng Capital Management Co., Ltd.;
8. Provided legal services for the establishment of a special opportunity trust by Foreign Trade Trust to invest in a real estate enterprise in Henan;
9. Provided legal services for the establishment of a trust plan by Foreign Trade Trust for supply chain financing business cooperation with JD.com;
10. Provided special legal services for numerous private fund companies, including manager registration and filing, product filing, legal due diligence, and post-investment project management.

Foreign Investment: Provided legal services for investment projects in China for internationally renowned companies such as Shell and Boeing.

Provided legal services for the joint investment by Shell and Hangzhou Gas Group in establishing a joint venture for city gas investment;

Provided legal services for Peabody Energy's coal investment in China;

Provided legal services for Boeing's legal analysis of the Chinese investment environment;

Provided legal services for BNP Paribas' syndicated credit loan to a US-listed Chinese enterprise.

International Commercial Arbitration and Dispute Resolution: Successfully represented multiple international commercial arbitration cases, including dispute resolution between multinational corporations and Chinese enterprises.

1. Provided services for Shandong ODES Industry Co., Ltd. in US litigation;
2. Represented Henan Yidian Group Luoyang Longding Aluminum Industry Co., Ltd. in a CIETAC international goods sales contract dispute, obtaining a favorable arbitral award;
3. Represented a trust company in an application for compulsory enforcement, involving a subject matter of 700 million RMB;
4. Represented a private fund management company in an application for compulsory enforcement, involving a subject matter of 150 million RMB.

Foreign-related Intellectual Property: Provided legal services for foreign-related patent, copyright, and trademark licensing transactions for multiple Chinese enterprises and listed companies.

1. Provided special legal services for the pharmaceutical patent license and joint venture project between Changchun High-Tech and a US company;
2. Provided special legal services for the drug patent license and implementation project between Genesee Pharmaceutical and a US company;

3. Provided special legal services for the copyright implementation license project between Huace Film and a US company;
4. Provided legal services for the patent license project between China Mobile Research Institute and a foreign company;
5. Provided legal services for the patent and trademark authorization project of Breakthrough Lubricants (USA).

Foreign-related Permanent Legal Services: Provided permanent legal counsel services to multiple Chinese enterprises and groups.

1. Provided foreign-related permanent legal services to the Agricultural Development Bank of China;
2. Provided foreign-related permanent legal services to Changchun High-Tech;
3. Provided foreign-related permanent legal services to Beijing Natong Technology Group Co., Ltd.

Social Activities :

1. Member, International Exchange and Cooperation Committee, Chaoyang District Lawyers Association
2. Member, Medicine and Healthcare Professional Committee, Chaoyang District Lawyers Association
3. Member, Suggestions and Proposals Committee, Western Returned Scholars Association

Publications :

1. *On Capital Contribution Using Foreign Investors' Intellectual Property Use Rights and Its*

Legal Risks, Seeker, 2013(09)

2. *Reality and Challenges of the Legal Regulation of Restrictive Practices in International Technology Licensing*, Contemporary Law Review, 2015(05)
3. *Research on the Anti-monopoly Regulation of Anti-competitive Behaviors in International Intellectual Property Licensing*, Doctoral thesis, June 2015.