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Overview

Evan Zhou helps clients in international arbitration proceedings, acting in a variety of subject matters, including technology, infrastructure, energy, joint ventures and shareholders' disputes in proceedings conducted under the UNCITRAL, HKIAC, and CIETAC Rules. Notably, he has also served as the tribunal secretary to an arbitral tribunal comprising three leading international arbitrators. Evan's experience extends to supporting clients in high-stakes and complex cross-border disputes involving PRC law issues. He has also handled various matters on FCPA investigations, trade compliance and national security. Evan is admitted in both the People's Republic of China and the State of California. He speaks English, Mandarin, Cantonese, and Ningbo dialect.

Experience

- Acted for a leading PRC computer microprocessor developer in the Hong Kong arbitration proceedings arising from certain technology licence agreements.
- Served as the tribunal secretary for a bilingual arbitration conducted under the HKIAC Rules between two leading design institutes concerning one of the largest airports in the PRC.
- Obtained a comprehensive victory for a leading manufacturer of chemical products in a high profile case involving share purchase disputes against a Belgium-headquartered multinational company in the HKIAC.
- Acted for a Taiwanese listed company in an arbitration at the HKIAC concerning the international sale and purchase of goods with a claim amount of over US\$100 million.
- Advised a Hong Kong listed company in an arbitration at the SCIA concerning a shareholders' dispute arising from a PRC equity joint venture with a claim of over RMB 6 billion.
- Provided PRC law support to a property developer to resist the enforcement of a CIETAC arbitral award in Hong Kong regarding a property development project in the PRC, and to defend the claims for damages arising from a breach of

an implied promise to perform the arbitral award, constructive trust and economic torts before the Court of First Instance, the Court of Appeal and the Court of Final Appeal in Hong Kong.

- Provided PRC law support for a Taiwanese multinational manufacturing giant on claims relating to breach of confidentiality and misappropriation of trade secrets against a listed Chinese conglomerate before the Hong Kong High Court involving infringement acts in the PRC.

Advised:

- A US-listed multinational conglomerate on investigations in alleged Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA) violations in the company's procurement and marketing operations in the PRC.
- A US-listed multinational technology company on its post-merger integration of trade compliance programs.
- One of the world's largest news agencies on its publications concerning national security under the PRC law.
- Multiple international financial institutions, multinational companies and government agencies on the impacts of the PRC's sanctions-related laws and regulations as well as the conflicts between the Hong Kong Autonomy Act and the National Security Law for Hong Kong SAR.

Qualifications

Admissions

- PRC
- California

Languages

- Cantonese
- English
- Mandarin

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