

Who's Who

China-focused Lawyers

The landscape of China-focused law has encountered its own challenges in recent years, with shifts in regulatory environments and geopolitical tensions.

In this edition of the *Who's Who*, we present key figures in the China-focused legal sphere specializing in **capital markets, mergers and acquisitions**, and **export controls and economic sanctions**, as well as key **China-based lawyers** who have been involved in some of the biggest deals involving Chinese companies, or have advised major Chinese firms on how to best navigate U.S. and other global trade laws and sanctions.

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He is particularly experienced in the following areas: securities, corporate, M&A, restructuring, and banking. Wei Bai advised as PRC counsel to the issuer on New Century Shipbuilding's Singapore Stock Exchange IPO and acted in connection with Zhongwang Holdings's \$1.38bn Hong Kong IPO.

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He also represents many industry leading multinationals and PRC and non-PRC equity investment funds in their investments into Chinese companies, and has advised issuers and underwriters on multiple listings of Chinese companies in the United States, Hong Kong, and mainland China. Additionally, Yijun Chao has represented a variety of multinational companies, handling various legal issues related to their direct investments and mergers and acquisition transactions within China.

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His experience includes the representation of Yum China Holdings, Inc. and MINISO Group Holding Limited, during listings on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, as well as the Agricultural Bank of China's U.S. initial public offering, and listings on the HKSE and SSE.



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He has also advised on over 70 HKEX IPOs, including Meituan Dianping, Baidu, NetEase, Agricultural Bank of China, ICBC, and Air China. He also offers ongoing compliance, governance and strategic advice to listed companies and investment banks across the region.

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Some highlights from his work include underwriting the U.S. IPO and listing on the NYSE of DiDi Global Inc., and XPeng Inc. He also assisted Ganfeng Lithium and Country Garden Holdings Limited in their respective Hong Kong IPOs.

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She has particular experience advising on high profile and complex dual and triple primary listings, secondary listings, SPAC listings and listings of overseas companies. Her recent work includes advising on Hong Kong listings of regional or international businesses, including BOC Aviation, MGM China, Razer Inc., Sands China, and Sun Art Retail Group.

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For these IPOs, he represented the underwriters in navigating regulatory hurdles and compliance issues. His practice focuses on public and private corporate finance transactions, including initial public offerings, convertible and high-yield debt offerings and private equity investments, and mergers and acquisitions.

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Teresa Ko also advised on the listings of numerous Chinese state-owned, privately owned and international enterprises on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, including the 'big four' banks, TME, XPeng, Yum China, Alibaba, Budweiser APAC, Tencent, Imax China, and AIA.

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She was also previously a journalist at China Central Television and China Radio International. Dan Ouyang represented WuXi XDC in its spin-off from Wuxi Biologics and its HK\$4.07 billion Hong Kong IPO and listing, as well as Tencent in Tencent Music's U.S. IPO.

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His experience includes advising the underwriters on the initial public offerings of NIO Inc., Bilibili Inc., and Hesai Technology on the Nasdaq. Additionally, Allen Wang advised Bank of America Merrill Lynch, as financial advisor to Sinopec Kantons Holdings Limited, an international oil and gas company, in its US\$283 million acquisition of interests in five joint ventures from China Petroleum & Chemical Corporation, a Chinese state-owned oil and gas company.

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His clients include Hesai Group, for its US\$192 million initial public offering of American depository shares (ADS) and listing on the Nasdaq, and Xiaomi Corporation for its US\$5.4 billion IPO and listing on the HKEX. He has also advised and assisted various U.S.-listed companies, including Pinduoduo, Bilibili, NIO, Weibo, and Trip.com in their ongoing regulatory compliance.

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Jie Zhu has represented corporations and private equity funds in a wide range of complex mergers, acquisitions, initial public offerings, joint ventures, spin-offs, and going-private transactions.

His clients include companies in the healthcare, technology, consumer products and services, telecommunications, entertainment, transportation, energy, finance, and real estate sectors. Some particular clients include Tencent and DJI International, which Jie Zhu represented in various financing and investment transactions, as well as State Grid



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Robert Ashworth specialises in all forms of mergers and acquisitions and private equity work, and has a particular reputation in tech, where he advises Apple, Uber and the CK Hutchison Group.

He also represents global financial institutions such as Prudential, SunLife and ScotiaBank. Robert Ashworth also advised PayPal on its acquisition of GoPay, which made PayPal the first foreign payments platform licensed to provide online payment services in China.

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He regularly advises clients on a wide range of acquisition, REIT, restructuring, regulatory and corporate finance matters. Some notable representations include acting as lead counsel for Macquarie Bank on its acquisition from ING Bank of the ING group's Asian equities businesses, covering more than 10 jurisdictions, and representing a well-known US multinational corporation on its agreement with the Hong Kong Government for the construction, development, management and operation of Hong Kong's first international theme park.

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She represented Alibaba Group in the acquisition of a 33% stake of Ant Financial, operator of China's biggest online payment platform by market share; Softbank in the acquisition of a more than 40% stake in Arm China and in taking back control of Arm China in preparation for the IPO of Arm Holdings; as well as Ascendent Capital Partners in the US\$1.66 billion take private of Hollysys Automation, a China-headquartered and US-listed industrial automation company.

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He recently advised a joint venture vehicle jointly and indirectly owned by Carlyle Asia and CITIC Group Corporation, on the HK\$1.05 billion acquisition, and subsequent privatization, of a stake in Asia Satellite Telecommunication. Simon Cooke also advised American Airlines on its HK\$1.5 billion equity investment in China Southern Airlines.

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Tim Gardner has represented many leading private equity funds, other financial sponsors, and corporates including Hillhouse Capital, PAG, and Primavera Capital, among others. He also advised Alibaba.com on the acquisition, from Swiss private equity sponsor Capvis, of a controlling interest in Visable Group, operator of a leading European business-to-business (B2B) e-commerce platform.

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He has also represented clients in many U.S. and Hong Kong IPOs and A-share deals. Some examples of Jeffrey Ding's work include representing Kingsoft Cloud in its strategic acquisition of a controlling interest in Camelot, a China-based IT service and solution provider, representing Ant Financial in its RMB 3.3 billion acquisition of Hundsun Technologies Inc., and representing China Music Corporation Music in its strategic merger with Tencent Music.

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Plus, representations of investors and special committees on take-private and PIPE transactions of public companies listed in the United States, Mainland China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Singapore and Thailand, and representations of Chinese companies on outbound acquisitions and joint ventures. Some notable transactions that Greg Liu has worked on include PAG's subscription of US\$500 million of secured convertible senior notes issued by Nasdaq listed iQiyi, Inc., and various investments, outbound acquisitions and joint ventures of Baidu, Tencent, TCL Group, and Dalian Wanda Group.

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She recently advised Tencent in the \$8.7 billion going-private acquisition of 58.com, and advised Tencent and Tencent Music Entertainment on the €3 billion strategic investment in 10% of Universal Music Group. Her work spans industries including TMT, biotech and healthcare, consumer products and retail, education, energy and utilities, financial services, and transportation and infrastructure.

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She also advises financial institutions and corporates on complex cross-border mergers and acquisitions, divestments and joint ventures. She advised Hillhouse

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She advised Alibaba on its acquisition of SCMP, and its investment in CICC. Benita Yu also advised Alibaba on its US\$3.6bn acquisition of a controlling

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A notable client includes Haier Group, during its US\$5.4 billion acquisition of GE Appliances unit from GE through an auction process. Alex's recent work

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