

JunHe LLP houses a highly regarded team and their clients are impressed by their (JunHe's) responsibility and work ethic.

—Chambers Greater China Region

Dalian Office

JunHe, founded in Beijing in 1989, is one of the first private partnership law firms in China. Since its establishment, JunHe has grown to be a large and recognized Chinese law firm. The firm has fifteen offices around the world and a team comprised of more than a thousand professionals.

Established in 2002, JunHe's Dalian office extends our reach throughout Northeast China. Our client-focused philosophy and dedication to providing high quality professional legal services at cost effective rates deliver unparalleled results to domestic and foreign clients in their Northeast China-based projects.

Our Team

Led by two partners with over 20 years of experience and based in Dalian, our management team is well versed in the local legal services market and is highly attuned to the cultural norms of Northeast China. Our Dalian office provides top-tier legal services to the region with the support of a fully integrated international law firm, earning high praise for navigating domestic and foreign clients through the complex local legal environment.

The Dalian office is supported by a team of professional lawyers from the most prestigious universities in China and overseas. The combination of comprehensive legal knowledge and extensive practical experience allows our team to deliver superior legal services to our clients especially in foreign investment, general corporate matters, M&A, real estate, financing, securities, labor and employment, international trade, outbound investment, dispute resolution, bankruptcy and restructuring, and crisis management.

Core Areas of Practice

- Foreign investment, including structuring and planning, contract preparation and negotiation and regulatory approval
- General corporate matters, including company establishment, preparation of charter documents, and contract preparation and negotiation
- Mergers and Acquisitions, including due diligence related to equity and asset acquisition, transaction structuring, contract drafting, negotiation and related filing for anti-trust and national security review
- Finance, including bank loans, PE funds, venture capital funds
- Securities, including stock offerings, bond issuing, information disclosure of public company
- Labor and employment, including labor disputes in connection with complex commercial transactions
- International trade, including anti-dumping review, customs clearance, debt recovery and credit worthiness investigation
- Dispute resolution, including litigation, arbitration and mediation
- Bankruptcy and restructuring, including bankruptcy and liquidation, bankruptcy and restructuring, and mandatory liquidation
- Crisis management, including employee strikes, theft of trade secrets, and employee mass incidents

One-Stop Legal Service

Our Dalian office has represented clients in numerous international cases, requiring a coordinated effort by our multiple offices and, in some cases, other law firms. As a result of JunHe's pooled resources, the Dalian office is able to leverage JunHe's collective knowledge to provide seamless, efficient, and top-tier legal services.

Rich Resources Devoted to Legal Service

During our many years of legal practice, the Dalian office has developed relationships with various governmental authorities regarding commerce, state-owned assets, development and reform, foreign exchange, land, real estate, taxation, industry and commerce and other regulatory and government authorities, allowing us to make timely communications with relevant authorities and obtain guiding comments with respect to the application of laws and regulations to local practice. We have established stable cooperative relationships with various leading agencies in Northeast China to conveniently and efficiently provide a full range of services to our clients.

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Their (JunHe's) quality of work is of a very high standard and they can always provide insightful legal advice.

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Selected Deals

Assisted a trust company in their asset liquidation and capital verification and undertook the related due diligence. In this project, the trust company had experienced overdue redemption on some products, and the chairman was suspected of criminal acts. The State Council appointed the CBIRC and the Dalian Municipal Government to supervise and regulate the trust company. They in turn recommended that the trust company carry out asset liquidation and capital verification and make payments at a later date. The national regulatory authority attached great importance to this matter and our Dalian team was able to coordinate all parties within the time limit set by the government. They successfully completed the asset liquidation and capital verification and were praised by the government officials and the client.

Assisted an enterprise with over 40 years of history with its employment settlement for about one hundred employees as a result of its equity transfer. In this project, the client's pension obligations were very complicated, including payments to retired employees, family members of deceased and disabled former employees, and employees who were nursing, involving various labor law issues. The Dalian office developed an effective settlement plan, assisted the client in communicating with the relevant government departments, answered questions raised by its employees and represented the client in negotiations with the employees' representatives, enabling the client to successfully and efficiently complete related works within the planned time period.

Represented a state-owned Hong Kong company in a Hong Kong arbitration case. JunHe's team won the arbitration and assisted the client to reach an enforcement settlement with the counterparty (with a subject amount of RMB 43 million). The effective enforcement of the award was crucial to this case and the successful preservation of the counterparty's property was another key issue. Duffree Macau is a Macau based company but this case was handled in Hong Kong, therefore it required connections between different jurisdictions. Further, the HKIAC had just implemented the 2018 Arbitration Rules which contained many new laws and the counterparty requested the witnesses appear in court. The lawyers from JunHe's Dalian office applied new evidence under the 2018 Arbitration Rules and fully analyzed the facts. They designed a thorough checklist for the witness cross-examinations. During the hearing, our lawyers made full use of their cross-examination skills during the witness testimonies, laying a solid foundation for our client's final victory.

Represented a subsidiary of a central government-owned enterprise in a dispute over purchase and sale contracts (with a subject amount of RMB 120 million). The complexity of this case was that: (1) the purchase and sale contracts between the client and the defendant were from 2013 to 2016. There were more than 20 master contracts and more than 100 delivery orders under the master contracts, and multiple Repayment Agreements with different content. This presented challenges to the lawyers in sorting out the facts of the case and presenting them concisely to the court. (2) The upstream and downstream purchase and sale chains involved in this case were connected with each other, and the client was the middle link. Therefore, the client faced pressure imposed by the buyer's inability to repay the debts and pressure from the upstream seller. (3) The counterparty did not have the ability to repay. Our team made use of piercing the corporate veil and added the counterparty's sole shareholder Binxian Coal as a co-defendant. They successfully targeted the counterparty's mineral properties and requested the court to promptly seal up the property to ensure successful enforcement. (4) Our team adopted a strategy to "use litigation to procure negotiation" and conducted several rounds of fruitful settlement negotiations on behalf of the client. They successfully achieved settlement, the client signed a repayment plan with the two defendants and the court issued a Civil Mediation Letter. (5) During the enforcement process, our team successfully seized the substantial production and operation assets of the counterparty's parent company, forcing the counterparty to reach an enforcement settlement with the client, under which the client obtained full repayment. This effectively safeguarded the client's interests and recovered the client's loss of RMB 120 million.

Represented a state-owned enterprise in the first instance, second instance and retrial of an infringement lawsuit (with a subject amount of RMB 90 million). The background facts and legal relationships in this case were complex and involved a lengthy time period (nearly 10 years), and disputed assets were numerous (with nearly a thousand items in dozens of different categories). Our Dalian team represented the client in conducting on-site investigations of the relevant facts of the case and the assets. After fully demonstrating whether the facts and evidence relied on by the counterparty constituted the establishment of our client's infringement, our Dalian team applied the principle of distribution of the burden of proof. While minimizing the provision of evidence and saving time and financial costs, our team fully submitted the arguments and analysis to the collegial panel during the court hearing, which were admitted by the local Intermediate People's Court, the Provincial High Court and the Supreme People's Court, winning the first instance, second instance and retrial.

Top 15 Circum-Bohai Sea Area Firm 2024, 2023

ALB China Regional Ranking
in the Circum-Bohai Sea Area

China (PRC Firms) Client Service Award 2022

Chambers Asia Pacific & Greater China Region Awards

China Law Firm of the Year 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021, 2019, 2018, 2017

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Best Overall Law Firms (Northeast China) 2023

Regional Awards of China Business Law Awards

Golden League

2024, 2023, 2022, 2021, 2020
China Business Law Awards

East Coastal China Law Firm of the Year - Non-local

2021

Free-Trade Zone Law Firm of the Year - The Coastal Areas

2021

Employment Law Firm of the Year: The Coastal Areas - Non-local

2021

Deal of the Year: The Coastal Areas and Equity Market Deal of the Year: The Coastal Areas - BYD's HKD \$30 Billion H-shares Placement

2021

ALB China Regional Law Awards: The Coastal Areas

Corporate Law Firm of the Year 2020

Chambers China Awards for Excellence

Best Asian Law Firm (Gold Award) 2023

Best Chinese Law Firm of the Year (Gold Award)

2019, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2013, 2012

International Legal Alliance Summit & Awards

Best Referring Firm (501+ lawyers) 2024

Multilaw Awards