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Professional Experience

Ms. Zheng has been practicing Inbound and Outbound Dispute Resolution for 25 years. She has been a Dispute Resolution Partner at JunHe LLP since 2015 and another leading Chinese firm for two years. Prior to that, she worked in the Beijing Office of Jones Day for 7 years. As lead counsel and a team leader at Jones Day, Ms. Zheng represented both Chinese and international clients and successfully handled complex disputes inside and outside of China. Ms. Zheng has also shadowed several English Judges as a representative of a PRC Judge at the Royal Courts of Justice in London and worked in the London Office of Eversheds Law Firm in 2005.

Ms. Zheng is Arbitrator at CIETAC, SCIA, HKIAC, Part-time professor and graduate student instructor at Law School and Lawyer School of Renmin University, and Steering Group Member of ABA China Committee, Section of International Law; and IBA Officer of Anti-Corruption Committee. In 2020, Ms. Zheng was listed in the talent pool of Foreign-related lawyers by Beijing Lawyers Association.

Ms. Zheng specializes in dealing with a wide variety of complex civil and commercial disputes within or outside of China, and her experience mainly covers the areas of international trade, contracts, anti-monopoly and anti-unfair competition, foreign investment, infringement of reputation and other complicated civil and commercial matters, administrative investigation, and white-collar criminal defense, administrative investigation and most of the subject value is over RMB 100 million.

Ms. Zheng was named ALB China 2017 Top 15 Litigators, the Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2019 Recommended Dispute Resolution Lawyer, 2021 Benchmark China Star Litigator, and the Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2022 Recommended Litigation and Arbitration Lawyer. She has also been in charge of 12 research projects and produced more than 20 academic articles and more than 30 case analyses and judge's opinions. Ms. Zheng has been invited as a senior contributor to a number of leading publications, including the Reference and Guide to Civil Trial, China Daily, Legal Daily, and People's Court Daily. More than 10 of her published articles have won national awards.

Ms. Zheng is a frequent speaker at seminars and conferences held in the U.S., the U.K., and China.

Education

Ms. Zheng received an LL.B. Degree in 1997 from China University of Political Science and Law. She obtained an LL.M. Degree and Ph.D. Degree in Civil and Commercial Law from Peking University in 2002 and 2009 respectively. Ms. Zheng also received an M.A. Degree with distinction in International Comparative Law from the University of London in 2005.

Professional Associations

Member of the PRC Bar

Language Skills

Mandarin Chinese (native) and English (fluent)