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## PRACTICE AREA

MR. GAO SPECIALIZES IN COMPLEX COMMERCIAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION, INCLUDING BOTH LITIGATION AND ARBITRATION. HE IS ALSO EXPERIENCED IN COMPLIANCE AND GOVERNMENT ENFORCEMENT MATTERS.

### Education

- Peking University, LL.M. (International Economic Law)
- Peking University, LL.B.

### Professional Qualification

- Admitted to practice in the PRC

### Work Language

- Mandarin
- English

## REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS AND CASES

**Commercial Dispute Resolution (arbitration and litigation)**

- Represented a leading Chinese internet company in a CIETAC arbitration involving RMB 600 million in disputes arising from multiple investment agreements
- Represented a leading Chinese investment company in a CIETAC arbitration involving RMB 200 million in convertible bond disputes related to complex overseas deal structures
- Represented a leading Chinese asset management company in multiple litigation and arbitration proceedings involving RMB 400 million in disputes over debt recovery
- Advised a leading international investment bank by providing a PRC legal opinion in HKIAC arbitration involving disputes over a put option
- Advised a British bank on creative solutions for complex disputes worth RMB 2 billion between the bank and its overseas and domestic debtors
- Advised the founders of a Swiss company in HKIAC arbitration (Hong Kong and Swiss governing law) in an investment dispute
- Represented the founders of an investment company in an arbitration case administered by the Beijing Arbitration Commission
- Represented a leading global investment institution in a dispute between the general partners and limited partners of a private equity fund
- Represented ConocoPhillips in obtaining successful verdicts in hundreds of lawsuits filed by fisherman and tourism operators stemming from the Penglai oil seepage incidents in 2011
- Advised a PRC-listed company on disputes among the listed company, institutional investors and a trust company in connection with share proceed rights

**Compliance and Investigation**

- Advised multiple PRC-based, US-listed companies on PRC state secrecy, data privacy and cross-border data production laws in connection with overseas regulatory investigations and overseas court proceedings

- Advised a leading Chinese internet company on relevancy and privacy determinations in discovery for class actions brought against the internet company in the District Court Southern District of New York and the Superior Court of California
- Advised multiple PRC-based, US-listed pharmaceutical companies and a worldwide leading restaurant company on audit compliance and on compliance policy design
- Advised a world-leading hedge fund on a CSRC investigation regarding securities and futures trading
- Advised a world-class high-end equipment manufacturer dually listed in the A-share market and the H-share market on a CSRC investigation regarding information disclosure
- Advised a leading company in the digital currency industry on discovery procedures in a Cayman Islands shareholder litigation, conducted sensitive information screening for documents subject to discovery
- Advised the "Big 4" accounting firms on PRC state secrecy and cross-border data production laws in administrative proceedings initiated by the US Securities and Exchange Commission and in various cross-border regulatory investigations
- Advised a healthcare company on PRC cross-border data production laws in an administrative proceeding initiated by an overseas regulator
- Advised a telecommunications company on a Foreign Corruption Practices Act investigation and assisted the company in extensive document review and cross-border data production
- Advised an international accounting firm on cross-border data transfer in connection with a US litigation proceeding
- Advised a world-leading asset management company on data localization and cross-border data transfer under PRC cybersecurity and state secrecy laws
- Advised a world-leading environmental protection company on data localization and cross-border data transfer in relation to the use of cloud computing services
- Advised a multinational financial institution on data localization and cross-border data transfer under PRC cybersecurity and state secrecy laws
- Advised a world-leading financial institution on PRC information compliance, including data acquisition and cross-border data transfer