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Fangda Welcomes Back Intellectual Property Partner Muran Sun

Fangda is delighted to announce that **Muran Sun** has returned to the firm as a partner in the intellectual property practice, based in Shanghai, with effect from 8 October, 2021.

Ms. Sun's practice focuses on intellectual property litigation, especially disputes related to telecommunications standard-essential patent licensing that the SEP cases she handled involved the licensing practice of almost all major cellular SEP licensors. Over the past decade, she has represented domestic and overseas clients in a broad range of contentious matters, including patent infringement disputes, anti-monopoly law disputes, FRAND licensing term disputes, and trade secrets disputes. Ms. Sun has also successfully represented clients in licensing agreement negotiations and has advised numerous enterprises on standard-essential patent licensing strategies.

Ms. Sun started her career at Fangda on graduation and worked as an associate for six years in our IP practice. Prior to rejoining Fangda, she worked with another leading PRC law firm as a partner. Ms. Sun is a qualified PRC lawyer, as well as a certified patent agent of the PRC.

Michael Han, Chairman of Fangda's Management Committee, says, *"We're delighted to welcome back Muran to Fangda. The continuous development and improvement of the IP legal framework under Chinese law has brought many new opportunities, as well as challenges, which have raised the bar for IP practitioners to meet their clients' requirements. With her proven expertise and deep experience of IP matters, both contentious and non-contentious, Muran will enhance Fangda's top-tier IP capabilities, confirming our position as one of China's leading law firms in tackling the most challenging IP issues in China."*

Muran Sun says, *"I'm honored to rejoin Fangda, the firm where I started my career and which provided me with the professional training and valuable opportunities to be involved in many of China's landmark IP cases. Fangda has well-recognized expertise and a high reputation for its IP practice, and I look forward to working with the team in continuing to deliver a market-leading service and value to clients, as well as further bolstering the firm's intellectual property capabilities."*