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Ms. Shuxin Liao is a partner at Merits & Tree Law Offices. She specializes in civil and commercial dispute resolution, with deep expertise in litigation, arbitration, enforcement, and pre-dispute risk mitigation across the financial, asset management, investment, real estate, and corporate sectors. Ms. Liao regularly advises leading domestic and international financial institutions, asset management firms, and corporate clients on a wide range of contentious matters. Her experience spans traditional finance, structured products, factoring, export credit insurance, equity M&A, corporate governance, shareholder disputes, and complex commercial contracts. She provides comprehensive legal support throughout the dispute lifecycle—from pre-conflict risk management and strategic advice to representation in domestic and cross-border proceedings, including litigation, arbitration, enforcement, bankruptcy, and special asset disposal.

Prior to joining Merits & Tree, Ms. Liao practiced at King & Wood Mallesons for over ten years, serving as Of Counsel in the Dispute Resolution Department.

Achievements

Finance, Asset Management, Investment Related Disputes and NPL Disposal

- Represented a listed joint-stock commercial bank and a leading trust company in the pre-dispute risk mitigation and subsequent litigation concerning multiple structured securities investment trust products.
- Advised the wealth management subsidiary of a listed joint-stock commercial bank on pre-dispute risk resolution for multiple structured asset management products.
- Represented a large joint-stock commercial bank in the pre-dispute risk mitigation, as well as the ensuing arbitration and bankruptcy proceedings, for multiple structured securities investment trust products.
- Represented a large state-owned commercial bank and an asset management company in the litigation, enforcement, and bankruptcy cases arising from a structured stock-pledge repurchase financing dispute.
- Represented a leading trust company in litigation and enforcement cases concerning a property rights trust contract dispute.
- Advised an industrial fund investment platform of a central SOE, along with its portfolio companies and managed funds, on pre-dispute risk management for multiple private equity investment disputes, and represented them in the resultant litigation, arbitration, and enforcement proceedings.
- Represented a private fund in litigation concerning negotiable instruments and subsequent bankruptcy proceedings against a leading Shenzhen-listed supply chain company. The matter involved multi-layered complex legal issues, including bill factoring financing, indirect agency, accounts receivable pledge and transfer, and bankruptcy reorganization.
- Represented a Shenzhen-based commercial factoring company in a series of arbitration cases for the bulk recovery of purchase price tail payment factoring financing claims.
- Represented a payment company in a financial loan contract dispute against a bank, achieving a complete discharge of the client's joint and several liability.
- Provided non-performing loan recovery and portfolio disposal services to numerous domestic banks and financial asset management companies.
- Represented multiple foreign banks in litigation, enforcement, and bankruptcy cases arising from financial credit disputes.
- Advised and represented a policy-oriented insurance company in over ten export credit insurance disputes, providing legal counsel and litigation services.

Real Estate Related Disputes

- Represented a listed real estate enterprise and its subsidiaries in arbitrations and litigations against multiple private equity funds concerning equity repurchase disputes, achieving substantial debt relief for the client.
- Represented a Guangzhou-based real estate company in debt dispute litigation arising from an urban renewal project.
- Represented a listed real estate enterprise in a shareholder liquidation liability dispute stemming from a cooperative real estate development project.
- Represented a Kunming-based real estate company in a dispute over an equity transfer agreement for a real estate project.
- Represented a Guangzhou state-owned enterprise in a series of interconnected cases regarding a commercial property asset, including lease disputes, enforcement objections and related lawsuits, bankruptcy liquidation, and bankruptcy claim confirmation litigation.

Corporate, Equity and M&A Related Disputes

- Represented a Hong Kong company in shareholder dispute litigation and ensuing enforcement proceedings against a Guangzhou-based enterprise.
- Advised a listed ecological landscape company and its subsidiaries on multiple outbound investment projects across Shandong, Jiangxi, Zhejiang, and Guangdong.
- Advised a state-owned asset management company on its special situation investments.

Cross-Border Dispute Resolution

- Represented a Guangzhou state-owned enterprise in an international sale of goods arbitration case against a listed Malaysian steel company, securing a successful award for the client.
- Represented an individual client in a cross-border divorce dispute against a senior executive of a listed company, navigating complex multi-jurisdictional legal issues and coordinating parallel proceedings across multiple forums.
- Represented an individual client in a cross-border succession dispute that was successfully resolved via settlement. The matter involved complex, multi-jurisdictional issues concerning the deceased's foreign death and an international surrogacy arrangement, as well as a diverse portfolio of assets.

Honors

🏆 LegalOne Merits “Exemplary”: Arbitration confirms compensation claim in bankruptcy reorganisation for major state-owned bank

Social Positions

- Member of the 12th Cross-Border Dispute Resolution Professional Committee of Guangdong Lawyers Association
- Member of the Guangdong Provincial Leading Talent Pool for Foreign-related Lawyers
- Member of the Guangzhou Municipal Leading Talent Pool for Foreign-related Lawyers

Education

LL.M., Cornell University

LL.B., Southwest University of Political Science and Law

Admissions

PRC Bar

Language

Chinese、English、Cantonese