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#### **Profile**

Ms. Yang is the head of Hui Zhong Beijing Office. She spent nearly 20 years in international commercial and investment treaty arbitration as well as cross-border litigation. She is one of the few practitioners in China that has rich investment treaty arbitration experience. She has advised both domestic and foreign clients in a broad range of sectors such as real estate, construction, IT, biotechnology, hi-tech, and automobiles in proceedings conducted at the ICSID, PCA, ICC, HKIAC, SIAC, CIEATC, and different levels of domestic courts including the Supreme People's Court of China.

### **Professional Qualifications**

- 2002 PRC Bar
- 2005 New York Bar

## **Educational Background**

2003-2004 University of Wisconsin LL.M. 1999-2002 Zhejiang University LL.M 1995-1999 Wuhan University LL.B

# **Professional Experience**

Haiwen & Partners, Associate Junhe LLP, Associate Hui Zhong Law Firm, Partner

# Memberships & Affiliations

- Hong Kong International Arbitration Center, Arbitrator
- Beijing Arbitration Commission (Beijing International Arbitration Center), Arbitrator

- Shenzhen Court of International Arbitration, Arbitrator
- Singapore International Mediation Centre, Specialist Mediator

# **Representative Cases**

- As lead counsel, represented two Chinese investors in an ICSID arbitration against Kingdom of Cambodia under the ASEAN-China Investment Agreement on Treatment of Investment (ICSID Case No. ARB/21/42).
- Represented a Chines investor in an ICSID arbitration against South Korea under the China-Korea bilateral investment treaty (2007) (ICSID Case No. ARB/20/26).
- As lead counsel, successfully represented an Austrian engineering company in an ICC arbitration against a SOE relating to infringement of know-how, with EUR 30 million at stake.
- Represented a major Chinese SOE against a reinsurer in a HKIAC arbitration under the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules.
- As lead counsel, successfully obtained a favorable settlement for a domestic solar hi-tech company in a large sales dispute against its Japanese supplier in a HKIAC arbitration with RMB 240 million at stake.
- Successfully defended a major domestic automobile company against several Egypt companies through parallel ICC and CIETAC arbitrations, domestic courts' proceedings relating to validity of arbitration agreements as well as domestic enforcement proceedings with over US\$ 100 million at stake.
- Successfully represented the biggest Malaysian automobile company as co-counsel in two HKIAC arbitrations against its Chinese partner regarding disputes arising from two JV contracts, with tens of millions of US\$ at stake.
- Advised a Chinese private company in a HKIAC arbitration against its partner regarding an oppression and deadlock dispute of a BVI company.
- As lead counsel, represented a major SOE in a Serbian arbitration against an owner regarding delay issues, with EUR 160 million at stake.
- Advised a large-scale state-owned technology trading enterprise and a major state-owned power plant construction company on complicate quality
  and delay issues arising out of several overseas power plant projects subject to SIAC arbitrations.
- Successfully obtained two favorable CIETAC awards totaling US\$ 150 million for a leading PE against a well-known catering company and its founder.
- Represented a global leading health retailer in a CIETAC arbitration regarding an umbrella agreement and 33 franchise agreements against its franchisee, and successfully obtained a settlement for the client.
- Successfully represented a global leading biotechnology company headquartered in Denmark on administrative law proceedings concerning the validity of an invention patent. The case has been voted one of the top 10 cases of the PRC Patent Reexamination Board in 2012 and one of the top 10 IP cases of the PRC Supreme People's Court in 2016.
- Successfully represented a global leading biotechnology company headquartered in Denmark on a patent infringement case before the PRC Supreme People's Court and won a judgement above RMB 20 million, setting a new record for damages in the field of biological protein.
- Successfully defended a catering company's request to set aside two CIETAC awards totaling US\$ 150 million. The cases were the first two cases heard by the China International Commercial Court since its establishment in relation to setting aside arbitral awards.
- Represented a landmark property owner before various courts including the Supreme People's Court, work closely with foreign counsels in strategizing and aligning positions in over 50 parallel proceedings in China as well as in several overseas jurisdictions.
- Represented a Canadian pension fund to enforce an award rendered by HKIAC with a total amount of about RMB 1.6 billion.
- Represented a Korean webgame company to enforce an ICC award and a KCAB award totaling RMB 2.2 billion.

#### **Articles and Publications**

- 2024 Lexology Panoramic: Technology Disputes 2025 China, (co-authors: Zhang Shutao, Wang Zijian).
- 2024 Chambers & Partners: New Developments in Chinese Arbitration (co-authors: Yang Xiaofu, Zhang Shutao).
- 2024 The Law Reviews: The Investment Treaty Arbitration Review Full Protection and Security, 9th edition (co-authors: Fei Ning, Mariana Zhong, Zeyu Huang).
- 2023 The Law Reviews: The Investment Treaty Arbitration Review Full Protection and Security, 8th edition (co-authors: Fei Ning, Mariana Zhong, Zeyu Huang).
- May 2024 China Business Law: Witness Protection in Investment Treaty Arbitration Applications for Interim Measures (co-author: Dang Hongwei).
- December 2023 China Business Law: Bifurcation in Investment Treaty Arbitration (co-author: Mariana Zhong).
- June 2023 China Business Law: Enforcing an Investment Treaty Arbitral Award in Foreign Jurisdictions under the New York Convention (coauthor: Huang Zeyu).
- April 2023 China Business Law: Ratione Voluntatis in Investment Treaty Arbitration (co-author: Huang Zeyu).
- 2022 The Law Reviews: The Investment Treaty Arbitration Review Full Protection and Security, 7th edition (co-authors: Fei Ning, Mariana Zhong, Zeyu Huang).
- 2022 The International Comparative Legal Guides: Investor-State Arbitration China (co-authors: Wang Shengchang, Fei Ning, Mariana Zhong).
- November 2018 Legal 500: Interim Injunctions in China the Key Tactical Considerations (co-authors: Zhao Fang, Liu Jing).

#### **Public Welfare and Social Activities**

- June 2024, Speaker, "International arbitration and IP disputes", GAR Live Shanghai.
- June 2024, Speaker, "The Latest Practice of Investor-State Arbitration Compliance and Treaty Protection", SCIA.
- April 2024, Speaker, International Construction Dispute Resolution Seminar, CIETAC.
- 2023, Lecturer, "International Investment Law", Wuhan University master degree courses.
- June 2021, Lecturer, "How to Enforce an International Arbitration Award", International Arbitration Courses jointly hosted by the HKIAC and Fudan University.
- April 2020, Speaker, "How to Draft Arbitration Clauses", HKIAC Webinar Series 2020.
- October 2019, Speaker, Kuala Lumpur Conference, BAC 2019 Commercial Dispute Resolution Annual Review.
- October 2019, Speaker, Singapore Conference, BAC 2019 Commercial Dispute Resolution Annual Review.
- June 2019, Speaker, New York Conference, BAC 2019 Commercial Dispute Resolution Annual Review.

#### **Honors and Awards**

- 2025 Chambers Global & Greater China Guide, "Dispute Resolution: Arbitration", Up and Coming Lawyer
- 2024 Chambers Global, "Dispute Resolution: Arbitration" Rising Star
- 2024 Chambers Greater China Guide, "Dispute Resolution: Arbitration & Litigation", Up and Coming Lawyer
- 2023-2025 CBLJ The A-List: Elite Lawyers in China's Legal Practice
- 2020-2021 CBLJ Deals of the Year

## **Testimonials**

Global Arbitration Review (GAR) mentioned in its comments that Ms. Yang is "impressively responsive, smart and thorough".

Chambers mentioned in its comments that "she has a very good understanding of clients needs, and is very good with striking a balance of the case and taking care of the clients interest at the same time".