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## ABOUT THE FIRM

Xin Fu Law Firm is dully authorized to practice PRC law in China. As one of the biggest law firms in the Pan Pearl River Delta region, we are more than 40 attorneys and other professionals strong, with offices in Guangzhou and Foshan. Based in Guangdong, we have established association with law firms in the States, European Union, Singapore, Hong Kong, Macau and many Chinese Mainland cities and have been providing high quality legal services to clients in the PR Delta region and around the world.

While being a leading law service provider, we also keep close relationship with accounting businesses as some of our Lawyers are qualified as PRC Certified Public Accountants. We are the firm of choice many companies and financial institutions as they address diverse legal and business challenges they face.

Our offices are well equipped so as to facilitate our professionals' work on various sophisticated contentious and non-contentious legal matters. In addition, since many of our lawyers' working languages including both Chinese and English, we counsel our foreign clients on many international legal matters.

Contributing to the social and economic development of the South China is what we have been proud of. Based in Guangdong and maintaining close cooperation with many of the law firms in China and around the world, we can offer excellent service and help achieve your business goals in China.

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## GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Xin Fu Law Firm provides its clients with full legal services in an effective and feasible way. Lawyers of Xin Fu own considerable expertise in skillfully and successfully dealing with various legal matters regarding a wide variety of industries.

Each of our lawyers are specialized in certain areas of practice and we constantly emphasize on teamwork among our lawyers and other professionals.

For every single case we represent, one senior partner will be in charge of and instruct and supervise the associate lawyers participating in the work on it.

In the process of our work, we contact our clients timely when necessary and always keep them updated regarding the latest progress of the cases. Our lawyers fully understand our clients' needs and expectations.

## REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS

Xin Fu has represented many local and international companies and institutions including banks, insurance companies, trust investment companies, real estate companies and foreign investment enterprises covering a wide variety of industries such as oil, manufacturing, and transportation and trading. In addition, we also provide legal advice to local government authorities, various social organizations and individuals.

## PRACTICES

### 1. Litigation

Litigation has been one of our major practices since our firm's inception. We handle all kinds of litigation cases, including civil litigation, administrative litigation and criminal defense. Our litigation practice is national in scope, and involves appearances in local and central courts at both the trial and appellate levels. We have represented in cases brought to the provincial higher court for first instance trial. We also have handled a case involving application for recognition and enforcement by China's court of Italian court's judgment which has been the first such case in China.

#### \* Commercial Litigation

As the main part of our litigation practice, civil & commercial litigation involves probate & will, divorce & family law, conveyance & tenancy, trust, guaranty, shareholding, intellectual property, securities and many other civil and commercial issues.

#### \* Criminal Defense

Some of our senior lawyers handle criminal cases and offer the following services:

- To meet criminal suspect who is under criminal investigation, to get information about the charged crime against the suspect and to provide legal advice on applying for obtaining a guarantor pending trial, and, if the defendant's lawful rights are infringed upon, to petition or file a complaint on behalf of the defendant;
- To provide defense advice in written to reduce or dismiss the criminal charge during the period when the criminal suspect is being examined for prosecution;
- To collect evidence and defend in court when criminal suspect is prosecuted; and
- To appeal to a higher level court if the defendant is not satisfied with the judgment by first instance court, or to apply to the court for re-trial according to law after the judgment has become effective.

Our clients may either entrust us all or one or several items of the above.

#### \* Administrative Litigation

Should the lawful rights and interests of a business organization or a individual be infringed upon by some administrative authority due to its illegal specific administrative acts (action or inaction), we can offer them professional legal advice on the issues in dispute. If necessary, we may represent them to file an administrative lawsuit in the court.

#### \* State Compensation

Should our clients' lawful rights and interests be infringed upon by a state organ (including state judicial organ) due to it's employees' illegal use of power, we could provide them professional legal advice. Under certain circumstances, we may file a

lawsuit of state compensation the court on behalf of our clients in accordance with the law.

## 2. Corporate

We regularly handle many complex and demanding corporate transactions in China. We counsel state-owned companies, private companies, foreign investment enterprises, partnerships, joint ventures and listed companies with respect to their difficult and sensitive issues. Some of our lawyers are qualified by the China Securities Regulatory Commission to engage in legal matters concerning securities and have been elected independent directors to listed companies, and some are PRC Certified Public Accountants. Based on the above-mentioned advantages, we have been frequently involved in the following business transactions and issues: mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, restructuring, labor disputes, tenancy and real estate, tax, insurance, company listing and fund raising and corporate governance.

Recently, we have been counseling many companies listed at the stock market in Hong Kong, Singapore or Taiwan. More attorneys with CPA qualifications have joined our firm so as to strengthen our cooperation with accounting firms. Regarding the above, we are specialized to work proficiently on the following categories:

- Establishing and winding up of private companies, joint ventures, representative offices and other kinds of companies;
- Import and export;
- Technology transfer;
- Banking and financing;
- Conveyance; and
- Tax and planning.

## 3. Finance and Banking

As the most flourishing area in China, Guangdong has been attracting many banking and financial institutions to establish their business offices thereof. Our finance and banking practice is one of the leading practices in Guangdong, principally representing banks, insurance companies and other financial institutions in bankruptcy and restructuring cases. In recent years, we have been working on legal matters involving the issue of bad loans of China's state-owned banks. We have also handled numerous cases concerning insurance subrogation in the past few years.

#### 4. Intellectual Property

Our intellectual property department is under the charge of some senior lawyers and IP agents. We could offer full and high quality law services in the IP area of practice, including representing in IP litigation or arbitration, IP registration application. Furthermore, we are specialized in helping IP rights owners to effectively protect their IPR by using legal investigations and administrative and judicial procedures to fight counterfeiting and piracy.

#### 5. Real Estate

We have successfully handled many complex and sensitive real estate cases and our services cover transfer, lease, land-use, construction contracting, building management and other real estate matters.

#### 6. International

Guangdong and Hong Kong and Macau are the most neighboring areas and their economic relationships are getting closer since the return of Hong Kong and Macau. Also, the foreign direct and indirect investments in South China are increasing rapidly. Some of our lawyers have worked at or cooperated with law firms in Hong Kong, the States and European Union, and are highly qualified to counsel our multinational clients on international matters of all kinds.