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Mr. HUANG Guoyong

Mr. Huang Guoyong is Director of International Cooperation and Development Department (Free Trade Zone Arbitration Department) of the Shenzhen Court of International Arbitration (SCIA) and Secretary General of the South China International Arbitration Center (Hong Kong) (SCIAHK)

Mr. Huang Guoyong has more than ten years of working experience in financial institutions and government departments. He has extensive experience in dispute resolution, specializing in the fields of international trade, finance and capital markets. He joined the Shenzhen Court of International Arbitration (also known as the South China International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission and Greater Bay Area International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission, hereinafter the "SCIA") in 2017, and currently serves as Director of the International Cooperation and Development Department, taking charge of administration of foreign-related arbitration cases, communications between legal & business communities, international cooperation, as well as collaboration among the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area. Mr. Huang also provides support and guidance for the operation of specialized platforms such as the SCIA Mediation Center, and GBA Arbitration & Mediation Alliance, etc. In 2022, Mr. Huang was appointed as Secretary-General of the South China International Arbitration Center (Hong Kong) (SCIAHK), providing support and guidance to its daily operations.



Ms. Athita KOMINDR

Athita is Head of the UNCITRAL Regional Centre for Asia and the Pacific (UNCITRAL RCAP), managing technical assistance and capacity building programming available to over 50 States in Asia and the Pacific in key areas of commercial law, including dispute resolution, MSMEs, international contract practices, sale of goods, electronic commerce, transport, insolvency, international payments, secured transactions, and procurement. In that capacity, she coordinates with Governments and international and regional organizations with respect to trade law reform activities aimed at achieving the Sustainable Development Goals. Athita has over a decade of experience in the fields of international trade and economic law, arbitration, multilateral dispute resolution, and the rule of

law and development. Prior to joining the United Nations, Athita mainly advised and worked with numerous Thai agencies, including the Thailand Institute of Justice, the Thai Ministry of Science and Technology, and the Thailand Arbitration Center where she managed the Arbitration and Legal Affairs Divisions. She also worked for the Thai Ministry of Commerce in Bangkok (2002-2005) and Geneva (2005-2010), representing Thailand in bilateral, regional, and multilateral trade negotiations, WTO dispute settlement, and treaty drafting.

Admitted to the New York Bar since 2002, Athita has experience in both common and civil law traditions in the public and private sectors, and holds degrees from Harvard College, Georgetown University Law Center, and Harvard Law School.



Mr. Anran ZHANG

ZHANG Anran (PhD, LL.M, LL.B, B.A) is the Deputy Director of ICC Arbitration and ADR for North Asia. He forges strong relationship with stakeholders, advises ICC strategic development and organizes capacity building events across North Asian 17 jurisdictions. He holds a doctorate from Erasmus University Rotterdam with full scholarships.

Anran worked as an international case counsel and a short-term consultant at international arbitration institutions in Malaysia and United States, where he was responsible for arbitration and ADR case management, rules revision, moot problem writing, institutional initiatives and international cooperation. In addition to institutional experience, he was an academic researcher at Europa Institute, Leiden University and a visiting researcher at University of Cambridge. He regularly teaches at universities across the globe and presents research in international conferences. With research indexed by United Nations Library, his work was published by international blogs including Kluwer, Leiden, TDM and Afronomicslaw and by renowned publishers including Brill, Oxford and Springer.

Anran obtained his LLM degree from Uppsala University with IPK scholarship and attended the summer course at the Hague Academy of International Law. He graduated from Southwest University of Political Science and Law and Sichuan International Studies University with TEM 8.



Ms. Weina YE

Weina is an international partner with Herbert Smith Freehills Kewei Joint Operation Office and a SCIA Arbitrator. She has over 12 years of experience working in London, Hong Kong and mainland China, specialising in advising Chinese and multinational clients on the resolution and avoidance of complex and high value cross-border commercial disputes.

Weina's experience covers a range of sectors including energy, infrastructure and TMT and in relation to joint ventures and M&A transactions. She regularly represents clients in international arbitration cases administered by institutions such as International Court of Arbitration of the International Chambers of Commerce (ICC), Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC), Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre (HKIAC), China International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission (CIETAC) and under the Arbitration Rules of United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL).

Weina is dually qualified to practice in England & Wales and the PRC. She is also a listed arbitrator with Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre (HKIAC), Shanghai International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission / Shanghai International Arbitration Centre (SHIAC) and Hangzhou Arbitration Commission.



Mr. Lei SHI

SHI Lei is a partner of Clifford Chance, based in Shanghai and Beijing. He has also worked at Clifford Chance's Hong Kong and New York offices for many years.

Shi Lei specializes in international arbitration, especially on China-related cases. He has extensive experiences in acting for clients as counsel in post-M&A, joint venture, corporate governance, intellectual property, mining and natural resources and construction disputes before many leading arbitration institutions. Shi Lei also sits as an arbitrator.

Shi Lei is currently a member of the Belt and Road Commission of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) and was a member of the Regional Coordinating Committee and the representative for China in ICC YAF.

Shi Lei is ranked and recommended by many legal directories (including

Chambers & Partners, Legal 500, Acritas and China Business Law Journal) in the sector of international arbitration.

Shi Lei is admitted as a Hong Kong solicitor and New York attorney. Prior to joining Clifford Chance, he practised as a PRC attorney at a leading PRC firm for three years. Shi Lei graduated from Peking University (LL.B.) and Harvard Law School (LL.M.).

Besides international arbitration, Shi Lei's practice also covers regulatory compliance and investigation, and commercial litigation.



Ms. Jia FEI (Jessica)

Ms. Jessica Fei is a widely recognized leading international arbitration and dispute resolution specialist with over 25 years' experience working with international arbitration institutions and leading firms in New York and Asia. She is currently the joint coordinator of King & Wood Mallesons' worldwide arbitration practice and a SCIA Arbitrator, and a member of the firm's DR management team in charge of cross-border disputes.

Constantly ranked and recommended by leading legal media including Chambers, Legal 500, and ALB, Jessica is one of the very few leading international arbitration practitioners (acting as counsel and arbitrator) with mainland Chinese background and dual qualifications (Chinese and New York) as well as extensive cross-border experience handling disputes between Chinese and foreign parties.

Jessica focuses her practice on international arbitration, litigation and alternative disputes resolution. She represents and assists clients in international arbitrations (including AAA/ICDR, HKIAC, SIAC, ICC, CIETAC, LCIA, SCC, BAC and UNCITRAL) and litigation matters inside and outside China in both English and Chinese languages. She handles disputes relating to energy, infrastructure and construction, trade, international investment (eg Sino-foreign joint venture disputes), merger & acquisition, manufacturing, distribution, and intellectual property matters among others. Jessica is particularly experienced in advising clients in foreign-related arbitrations in China and overseas arbitration and litigation.

Jessica has been involved in international arbitration work since 1994. She has about eight years of experience working as a case manager and research fellow with leading international arbitration institutions, including CIETAC in Beijing and the ICDR/AAA in New York, where she administered and coordinated more than 300 international arbitration and mediation cases.



Ms. Yanhua LIN

Ms. Yanhua Lin is a partner of Fangda Partners and a SCIA Arbitrator. Ms. Lin specializes in dispute resolution, including litigation, arbitration, compliance and government enforcement matters. Ms. Lin has represented clients in many complex disputes before well-known arbitration institutions such as the ICC, HKIAC, and CIETAC. Ms. Lin is currently a Regional Representative of HKIAC HK45, and was the China representative of the ICC Young Arbitrators Forum. Ms. Lin also regularly handles commercial and administrative litigation before the PRC courts, and represents domestic clients in offshore proceedings including class actions in the U.S. In addition, Ms. Lin has extensive experience in compliance and government enforcement matters relating to the financial and securities market, state secrecy, data privacy, and cross-border data production. She has represented companies in procedures including regulatory investigation, administrative hearing and review proceedings, etc. Ms. Lin obtained an LL.B degree from Peking University, an MCL degree from University of Hong Kong and an LL.M degree from the Columbia University. Ms. Lin is admitted to practice in the PRC and qualified to practice in the State of New York. She is fluent in Mandarin, Cantonese and English.



Ms. Kim ROONEY

Kim Rooney is a barrister and an independent arbitrator of commercial, financial, energy, infrastructure investment and trade and ITC disputes. Previously a partner of White & Case LLP she represented States, SOEs and multinational corporations in commercial and ICSID arbitrations. ICC International Court of Arbitration member; eBRAM International Online Dispute Resolution Centre Board; member editor, IBA's "Dispute Resolution International"; ADR Contributing Editor to "Hong Kong Civil Procedure". Chair, Hong Kong Law Reform Commission's Subcommittee on Third Party Funding for Arbitration; Senior ADR Expert in EU Funded ADR project in the Indonesian public sector on alternatives to litigation and arbitration for investor state disputes. Member of the HKBA Bar Council; HKBA Arbitration Committee chair.



Mr. Victor DAWES SC

Victor Dawes SC is the current Chairman of the Hong Kong Bar Association. He is a senior counsel practising from Temple Chambers in Hong Kong specialising in commercial disputes in relation banking, companies and securities law. He sits regularly as an arbitrator in commercial disputes and also appears as advocate in arbitration and arbitration related court proceedings. He is a Recorder of the High Court and a Non-Executive Director of the Securities and Futures Commission in Hong Kong. He is also a member of the Judicial Officers Recommendation Commission.



Mr. José MAURELLET S.C.

José Maurellet S.C. is a practising senior counsel and a member of Des Vœux Chambers in Hong Kong and an associate member of 3 Verulam Buildings in London. He is the native Cantonese English and French speaker. He can also speak some Mandarin. He also appears as an advocate in arbitrations, and sits as an arbitrator as well as a Recorder of the Court of First Instance . He is a Council member of the HKIAC and is on its panel of arbitrators , emergency arbitrators and financial services He was the vice chairman of the Hong Kong Bar Association from 2018-2020 and again since January 2022.



Dr. David FONG

Dr David Fong was called to the Hong Kong Bar in 2013. He graduated with a Master of Laws (Maritime and Transportation Law) (Distinction) degree in 2012 and the Doctor of Laws degree in 2020. He is regularly appointed as arbitrator, mediator, and instructed as counsel in arbitrations, court-related arbitration proceedings and civil matters (predominately commercial and shipping matters). He is a Vice Chairman of the Committee on Arbitration of the Hong Kong Bar Association and the Chairman of the Chartered institute of Arbitrators (East Asia Branch). He is also Fellow of several institutes of arbitrators and is listed on the panel of arbitrators of more than 15 arbitral commissions/ institutes.



Mr. Norman NIP SC

Norman Nip SC is a senior counsel at Rede Chambers in Hong Kong, specialising in commercial, banking and securities litigation. He was the Chairman of the Hong Kong Bar Association's Committee on Financial and Securities Law between 2019 - 2021. In the arbitration sphere, Norman has acted as counsel in a number of commercial disputes as well as in court proceedings arising out of arbitrations. He is currently serving as the Vice Chairman of the Hong Kong Bar Association's Committee on Arbitration. He is also a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and a member of the HKIAC List of Arbitrators.



Mr. Philips WONG

Philips was admitted to the Hong Kong Bar in 2001 and has been a committee member of the Special Committee on Intellectual Property of the Hong Kong Bar Association for a number of years. Philips specialises in all areas of intellectual property law and has appeared in all levels of the Courts, Trade Marks Registry and Copyright Tribunal. He has acted for a number of high profile clients in intellectual property dispute both in court and in arbitration. Philips was appointed as a Deputy District Judge in 2020, and has been a contributing editor of the Hong Kong Civil Procedure for a number of years.



Ms. Adela MAO

Adela is a member of the Bar's Arbitration Committee and is the ICC YAAF Representative for North Asia. Adela is triple-qualified, having been called to the Hong Kong bar, the UK bar and having obtained the Chinese National Legal Professional Qualification Certificate. She specializes in commercial arbitration, is regularly instructed by Mainland Chinese law firms to act for listed companies and Chinese SOEs etc., and is also regularly appointed as tribunal secretary in high-value and complex arbitration cases. Adela graduated from the University of Cambridge and the University of Hong Kong, holding dual degrees in civil engineering and law.



Mr. Rimsky YUEN SC

From 2012 to 2018, Mr. Yuen was the Secretary for Justice of the Government of the Hong Kong SAR. After resigning as the Secretary for Justice, he resumes private practice at Temple Chambers, with focus in commercial disputes.

Mr. Yuen also practices as arbitrator and is a panel member of various local and oversea arbitral institutions. In addition, Mr. Yuen is an accredited meditator and practises as a general mediator with emphasis on commercial and related civil disputes. Currently he is the Co-Chair of the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre, and also the Chairman of the Hong Kong Mediation Association Ltd. In addition, he is a Committee Member of the International Commercial Expert Committee of the China International Commercial Court.



Prof. Mark FELDMAN

Mark Feldman is Professor of Law at Peking University School of Transnational Law and a SCIA Arbitrator. He previously served as a member of the T20 Saudi Arabia Task Force on Trade, Investment and Growth, as a member of the E15 Initiative Task Force on Investment Policy (World Economic Forum/ICTSD), and as Chief of NAFTA/CAFTA-DR Arbitration in the Office of the Legal Adviser at the U.S. Department of State.

As Chief, he represented the United States as a Respondent or non-disputing Party in more than a dozen investor-State disputes and provided legal counsel supporting the negotiation of U.S. bilateral investment treaties and investment chapters of free trade agreements (including TPP and U.S.-China BIT negotiations). His government experience also includes service as a law clerk to Judge Eric L. Clay on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit and as a Peace Corps volunteer in Lesotho during South Africa's transition to democracy. In the private sector, he practiced law for several years at Covington & Burling.



Ms. Mariana ZHONG

Mariana Zhong is a partner of Hui Zhong since Oct.2020. Previously she was a national partner of Dechert LLP where she worked in Beijing, Singapore and Paris offices.

Ms. Zhong focuses her practice on international arbitration and dispute resolution matters. She has worked on several dozens of international commercial arbitration cases before institutions including ICC, LCIA, HKIAC, SIAC, CIETAC, BAC, SHIAC, SCIA and ad hoc tribunals seated abroad applying UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules.

Ms. Zhong also handles ICSID arbitration. She is currently representing two Chinese investors in an ICSID arbitration against a Southeast Asia State.

Ms. Zhong is an arbitrator of several leading Chinese arbitration institutions, a former affiliate research fellow of Harvard Law School, a former ICC YAF Representative for North Asia, and an Executive Member of the Committee of Beijing International Arbitration Forum (BIAF). She is a frequent speaker and a diligent writer on topics relating to international arbitration. She also provides international arbitration-related training to local bar associations and Chinese SOEs, and lectures at several Chinese law schools including Tsinghua University where she has lectured for more than six consecutive years.

Starting from 2017, Ms. Zhong has been recognized for several consecutive years by Legal 500 Asia Pacific as a "Next Generation Lawyer".



Mr. Lijun CAO

Lijun is a partner of Zhong Lun Law Firm and a SCIA Arbitrator. Lijun has been recognized as a leading lawyer in China-related dispute resolution by various legal directories. In recent years, Chambers has continuously ranked him as a "Band 1" international arbitration lawyer, saying that he is "highly recommended for his expertise in international arbitration" and "very much in demand for his extensive knowledge and exceptional service". He was ranked as one of the "Top 15 Litigators in China" by the Asia Legal Business (ALB) in 2014. He also received in 2014 and 2015 the award of "Lawyer of the Year - Dispute Resolution/Arbitration)" from China Law & Practice (CLP), and has been listed in "Who's Who Legal: Arbitration" since 2014 and "Who's Who Legal: Litigation" since 2016.



Mr. Ning FEI

Mr. Fei is the managing partner of Hui Zhong Law Firm, a boutique dispute resolution law firm based in Beijing, Shanghai, Shenzhen and Hong Kong. Mr. Fei has represented both Chinese and foreign clients in hundreds of commercial arbitration and litigation cases before domestic and overseas arbitral tribunals as well as PRC courts at various levels including the Supreme People's Court. He is one of the few lawyers who has practical experience of investment arbitration disputes in China. Currently, he is representing multiple investors in ICSID proceedings. He has also provided expert opinions on Chinese law in various forums in Hong Kong, Singapore, the United Kingdom and the United States.

Since 2006, Mr. Fei has been ranked as Band 1 lawyer in the fields of arbitration and general dispute resolution in China by Chambers & Partners Asia Pacific. He is described by Chambers & Partners as "a seasoned litigator and is admired for his high standard of professionalism. He excels in providing efficient, sensible commercial advice."

Mr. Fei is an arbitrator sitting at Chinese and international arbitration institutions, including China International Economic and Trade Arbitration Committee (CIETAC), Shenzhen Court of International Arbitration (SCIA), International Court of Arbitration of the ICC (ICC Court), Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre (HKIAC), Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC), and Korean Commercial Arbitration Board (KCAB). He is also a member of SCIA Advisory Committee and Vice-Chair of IPBA Dispute Resolution and Arbitration Committee. Mr. Fei is announced as the Vice-Chair of the ICC Belt and Road Commission in 2022. During 2013 –2019, he was a Council Member of HKIAC, a title vested to persons from mainland China for the first time in history



Mr. Gao Wenjie (Winston)

Mr Gao Wenjie is a partner of Tian Yuan law firm, currently takes the positions of member of International Legal Service Committee on the All-China Lawyers Association, and council member of Shenzhen Lawyers Association by election, honors as arbitrator by the Hong Kong International Arbitration Center (HKIAC), Shenzhen Court of International Arbitration (SCIA), Wuhan Arbitration Commission and Maoming Arbitration Commission respectively, and serves as a Delegate of ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR and of the Shenzhen Futian District Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (CPPCC).

Mr. Gao primarily specializes and has extensive experience in international commercial and maritime dispute resolution, compliance and government regulation as well as cross-border investment. A well-trained team led by Mr. Gao provides clients with stable and high-quality legal service in Chinese, English and other foreign languages.

In the area of international arbitration, Mr. Gao represented dozens of international arbitrations conducted outside China. In an international engineering dispute arbitration adopting the rules of the Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) and heard by a tribunal composed of three Queen's Counsels, Mr. Gao served as the lead counsel and successfully helped the client to get a winning award. This arbitration was selected by Legal Daily into its Fourth List of Typical Cases of "One Belt and One Road" Dispute Resolution.

In the area of cross-border litigation, Mr. Gao represented amounts of domestic and international court cases. He represented the first case in which the Supreme People's Court found and applied foreign law to confirm the validity of a foreign arbitration clause. This case was selected in the First List of 20 Typical Cases of Cross-Border Disputes in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area by the Guangdong High People's Court.

In the honor of arbitrator for years, Mr. Gao sits as sole arbitrator or presiding arbitrator in various commercial, financial and foreign-related arbitrations.

With a great aspiration to move the development of the legal profession, Mr. Gao often organizes various forums bona fide, gets invited to make speeches, and publishes many professional articles.



Mr. Peter Chow

Peter Chow is a Partner at King & Spalding. Peter has a specific focus on high-stakes, complex international disputes globally, including those related to energy & natural resources, oil & gas, infrastructure & construction, and technology projects, in addition to other commercial disputes. He is also the global head of the firm's Greater China international dispute resolution practice. He has acted as counsel and arbitrator in numerous cases. He has been involved in arbitrations in Asia for over 30 years and is one of the most experienced arbitration lawyers in Asia. He has represented clients in some of the largest arbitrations in Asia involving multibillion US-dollar claims.

Legal directories and peers have described Peter as being "experienced and personable," a "very sharp lawyer," and "very well prepared". His firm is ranked the number 1 international arbitration law firm in the world by Global Arbitration Review 2022.

Peter is a Chartered Arbitrator and is on the panel of arbitrators of various leading arbitration bodies. Peter was chairperson of the IPBA Energy & Resources Committee and a council member of IPBA. He is also a member to the ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR and was a member of the ICC Arbitrator Nomination Committee. He was vice-president of the Hong Kong Institute of Arbitrators. He is a contributing author of several authoritative textbooks on arbitration and litigation.



Mr. Lin Hongping

Mr. Lin Hongping is the Vice President and Chief Compliance Officer of OFILM Group Co., Ltd. He graduated from Huazhong University of Science and Technology and the Chinese University of Hong Kong, and received a Master's Degree in Law and a Executive Master of Professional Accountancy respectively.

Mr. Lin Hongping joined OFILM in 2013. He has successively served as the department manager, director, and deputy general manager of the company. Now he is the Vice President and Chief Compliance Officer of the Group, and is overally responsible for the company's compliance, legal and intellectual property work. Before joining OFILM, Mr. Lin Hongping served as ZTE's legal adviser on foreign affairs, and was successively responsible for ZTE's legal affairs in North Africa, Europe and North America.

Mr. Lin Hongping has more than ten years of rich professional career in the

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Mr. Lin Hongping led the team to win the honorary titles of "Top Ten Legal Directors" and "Top Ten Legal Departments" of Chinese Academy of Chief Legal Officer; And be successfully shortlisted for the "Compliance and Risk Management Group Award", "Corporate Legal Group Award" and "Corporate Legal Award" of ALB in South China and Central China.



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Before that, he served as the Deputy Secretary-General of the HKIAC and was a member of its Appointments Committee from 2017 to 2020. Before joining the HKIAC, he practiced with Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer (Hong Kong), handling China-related dispute resolution matters and cross-border investment projects.

He is on the Panel of Arbitrators of BAC, CIETAC, SCIA, SHIAC and several other Chinese domestic arbitration institutions. He is also on the List of Arbitrators of the HKIAC.



Mr. Jack Law

Jack Law is a partner of Global Law Office Shenzhen office, and specialized in international dispute resolution, including cross-border litigation and international arbitration.

Jack has worked in the PRC judiciary and U.S. courts for several years, and has a thorough understanding of legal practice in China and common law countries. Cooperating closely for years with lawyers in the United States, the United Kingdom and Hong Kong, his team can provide one-stop legal services for companies to resolve cross-border litigation and arbitration.

Jack has been listed as recommended lawyer in the dispute resolution field by Benchmark Litigation, Legal 500, and China Business Law Journal for many times. In addition, Jack also serves as the mediator of Shenzhen Qianhai Cooperation Zone People's Court, the expert mediator of China Council for the Promotion of International Trade.