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Languages spoken
Chinese (Mandarin, also known as Putonghua) | English

About Jian (Brenda)

Jian (Brenda) Xu is a principal in our Los Angeles and Houston offices and serves as a trusted advisor with a practice centered on cross-border transactions.

With her deep experience in foreign direct investment between the US and Asia, mergers and acquisitions, fund formation, private equity, joint ventures, debt financing and corporate restructuring, Brenda delivers comprehensive counsel that drives business success across borders.

Brenda brings a proactive, solutions-oriented mindset to every client engagement and often serves as a go-to corporate lawyer on cross-practice matters. Her ability to anticipate client needs, often beyond the traditional corporate scope, makes her an invaluable asset to both domestic and international clients. Over the past decade Brenda has represented numerous clients in the technology, manufacturing, finance, real estate and other industries in their inbound and outbound matters.

Brenda began her legal career in our Beijing office in 2008 and has been based in Los Angeles since 2012, and currently sits in our Houston office. She is admitted to practice in New York, California and Texas and passed the PRC Bar Examination making her uniquely position to advise clients in the US and Asia.

Experience

- Represented a global leading supplier for the automotive industry in its acquisitions, financing, restructuring, executive compensation, regulatory compliance and general corporate matters in the various jurisdictions of North America, Europe and Asia.
- Represented a financial services company listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange in its multiple acquisitions in the US.
- Represented a US subsidiary of a Chinese state-owned enterprise with regard to its offering of commercial papers, private equity investments and other general corporate matters.
- Represented a couple of Chinese public companies in their multiple acquisitions in the US.
- Represented top Chinese real estate developers in their real estate-related acquisitions, development, financing and general corporate matters in the US.
- Represented various companies as special US counsel to support their initial public offerings (IPOs) and listings in Mainland China, Hong Kong, Taiwan and India.
- Represented clients in the formation of several private equity funds, and serving as investment counsel for subsequent portfolio investments, management, governance and divestures.
- Represented a couple of Asian banks in their business expansions by setting up representative offices and branches in the US.
- Represented various clients in global restructurings, redomestication in the US or cross border, dissolution or exit.
- Routinely represent clients in their entry and operations to the US, via greenfield investment or acquisitions, from real property acquisition or lease, corporate structure planning, foreign investment restriction and regulatory compliance, tax, tariff, supply chain, executive compensation, corporate governance and other matters with support by the specialists in the respective areas in the firm.
- Represented various multinationals, including Fortune 500 companies, in their direct investment, joint ventures, land use right acquisition, intellectual property protection and general corporate matters in China.

Credentials

Education

- Temple University, LL.M., 2012
- Peking University, LL.M., 2008
- Peking University, B.A., 2005

Admissions

- Texas, 2024
- California, 2014
- New York, 2013

Recognitions

- Recognized in *Best Lawyers in America: Ones to Watch* 2026 and 2027 for Corporate Law and Mergers and Acquisitions Law

Expertise

Services

- Corporate
- Private Equity

About our firm

One of the world's strongest integrated law firms, providing insight at the point where law, business and government meet. We deliver commercially focused business solutions by combining our legal, lobbying and political capabilities and invaluable connections on the ground to a diverse mix of clients, from long-established leading corporations to emerging businesses, startup visionaries and sovereign nations. More than 1,500 lawyers in over 40 offices across four continents provide unrivaled access to expertise.