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Investment Funds | PE/VC, M&A Capital Markets



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Yilin Liao is a partner at Merits & Tree Law Offices. His primary practice area is investment funds, with extensive experience specializing in the full lifecycle of fund operations, including private fund manager registration, fund formation and fundraising, ongoing compliance, and fund exits. Mr. Liao has successfully advised numerous fund managers on their PFM (Private Fund Manager) registration, including the private equity subsidiary of Longhua Capital. He has provided comprehensive legal services for the establishment of multiple funds of funds (FOF) and their series of sub-funds. He has also represented various government guidance funds and insurance institutions in conducting due diligence and providing specialized legal counsel for their investments in sub-funds.

In addition, Mr. Liao possesses substantial project experience in M&A and capital markets. He provides full-lifecycle legal support to startups and growth-stage companies, from incorporation to IPO, and offers professional, efficient legal solutions to investment institutions and private equity funds.

Prior to joining Merits & Tree, Mr. Liao worked at Guotai Junan Securities Co., Ltd. and Sundial Law Firm for several years.

Achievements

Investment Funds

- Advised Shenzhen Angel FOF and Hainan Free Trade Port Fund on due diligence and investment in various sub-funds.
- Advised on the establishment of Hainan Innovation Fund of Funds, a joint venture between Shenzhen Angel FOF and Hainan Financial Holdings.

- Advised China Merchants Bank on the transfer of partnership interests in Yiwu He Xie Jin Hong Private Equity Fund, an IDG-invested fund.
- Provided full-lifecycle legal services to CR Capital for its Runxing Ruihua Technology Commercialization Fund (Runxing Ruihua (Shenzhen) Technology Commercialization Angel Investment Partnership (Limited Partnership)).
- Advised on the CO-GP establishment of Shenzhen Guochuang Ruihua Qinzhi Grand Health Angel Investment Partnership (Limited Partnership), co-managed by Shenzhen Qianhai Qinzhi Capital and Shenzhen Guochuang Zhiyuan Private Equity.
- Acted as the signing attorney for the PFM registration of Shenzhen Longhua Private Equity Fund Management Co., Ltd.
- Acted as the signing attorney for the PFM registration of Shenzhen Huadi Private Equity Fund Management Co., Ltd.
- Acted as the signing attorney for the PFM registration of Shenzhen Shuaixian Private Equity Investment Management Co., Ltd.

Investment, Financing, and M&A


- Advised Shenzhen Shenbao Co., Ltd. on its first-round equity financing.
- Advised CR Capital's Technology Commercialization Fund on its investment in Shenzhen Aolan Technology Co., Ltd.
- Advised CR Capital's Technology Commercialization Fund on its investment in Fengyi Technology (Shenzhen) Co., Ltd.
- Advised CR Capital's Technology Commercialization Fund on its investment in Chengdu Beizhongwangxin Technology Co., Ltd.
- Advised CR Capital's Technology Commercialization Fund on its investment in Thunderbird Innovation Technology (Shenzhen) Co., Ltd.

Capital Markets

- Acted as the signing attorney for the ChiNext IPO of Shenzhen GD Laser Technology Co., Ltd.
- Advised on the ChiNext IPO of Shenzhen Jialida Energy Saving Technology Co., Ltd.
- Advised on the IPO of Shenzhen Envicool Technology Co., Ltd. (002837.SZ).
- Advised on the ChiNext IPO of Shenzhen Shinry Technologies Co., Ltd. (300745.SZ).
- Advised on the IPO of Shenzhen Z-TEN DECORATION Co., Ltd. (002989.SZ).
- Advised Tus-Design Group Co., Ltd. (300500.SZ) on its acquisition of assets through share issuance and cash payment.
- Advised Shenzhen Envicool Technology Co., Ltd. (002837.SZ) on its acquisition of assets through share issuance and cash payment.
- Advised Shenzhen New Nanshan Holding (Group) Co., Ltd. (002314.SZ) on its share-swap absorption merger with Shenzhen Chiwan Petroleum Supply Base Co., Ltd. (200053.SZ).

Honors

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Education

LL.B., Zhongnan University of Economics and Law
B.M. (Acc.), Zhongnan University of Economics and Law

Admissions

PRC Bar

Language

Chinese、English