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OVERVIEW

Anita Zhou is an associate at the firm's Shanghai office. She is a member of the Tax practice group.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm, Anita served as a tax associate at an American-British law firm. Anita helps multinational clients develop sophisticated tax strategies for their international operations and transactions. She understands client's objectives and takes into account the legal, commercial and financial implications involved in each project.

Anita focuses her practice on tax planning for cross-border transactions, tax compliance, tax advice on restructuring, tax dispute resolution, as well as transfer pricing and customs matters.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recognized by *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific* in China
  - Leading Associate for Tax: Foreign Firms, 2025-2026
  - Rising Star for Tax: Foreign Firms, 2022-2024

EDUCATION

- LL.M., Shanghai University of Finance and Economics, 2017
- B.A., Shanghai University of Finance and Economics, 2014

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of People's Rep. of China

LANGUAGES

- Chinese (Mandarin)
- English

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- February 2025, Asset Management Regulatory Year in Review 2024
- 14 March 2024, Singapore Tax: Implications of Section 10L on Investment Funds

NEWS & EVENTS

- 14 January 2026, K&L Gates Recognised in *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific* 2026
- 15 January 2025, The Legal 500 Recognises K&L Gates In 2025 Asia Pacific Edition
- 17 January 2024, The Legal 500 Recognises K&L Gates in 2024 Asia Pacific Edition
- 3 October 2023, K&L Gates Advises Live-Streaming Platform 17LIVE on Landmark De-SPAC Business Combination in Singapore
- 16 January 2023, The Legal 500 Recognizes K&L Gates in 2023 Asia Pacific Edition
- 13 December 2021, K&L Gates Advises DDW The Color House on its Sale to Givaudan

OTHER MEDIA MENTIONS

- Mentioned, "K&L Gates Guides First Ever De-Spac Merger on SGX," *Asian Legal Business*, 16 October 2023

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Tax
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Nonprofit Organizations

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Advising a global financial institution on a dispute with Chinese tax bureau regarding the tax treatment of company's US$710 million capital gains.
- Advising a global consumer brand listed on Hong Kong Stock Exchange and its Chinese subsidiaries on a transfer pricing audit related to intercompany loans.

- Advising a leading global supplier of intelligent testing, instrumentation and assembly systems on the restructuring of its subsidiaries in Asia.
- Advising DDW The Color House, a global privately held company specializing in natural color solutions for the food and beverage industry, on the China tax aspect of its sale to Givaudan, a global leader in fragrances and flavors.
- Advising a US-based leading research, development and training organization addressing energy and environmental challenges on Chinese tax issues in its cooperation with a Chinese state-owned enterprise on a gas project.
- Advising a Chinese E-commerce company on preferential tax treatment in E-commerce industry and Chinese tax issues in its restructuring.
- Advising a Korean listed company specializing in developing and manufacturing Printed Circuit Board modules on its restructuring of subsidiaries in Asia.
- Advised a U.S.-listed medical device company on the tax advantages, customs procedures, regulatory issues and commercial risks arising from a change in supply and distribution model.
- Advised a leading healthcare diagnostic company on individual income tax compliance in China and assisted on negotiations with China tax authority regarding issues related to individual income tax for its employees in China.
- Advised a world's leading animal health product company on the license arrangement with Chinese partner and transfer pricing issues.
- Advised a world-renowned music college on establishing a tax-efficient joint venture structure with a China enterprise.