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PRACTICE AREA

MR. ZHUANG SPECIALIZES IN CRIMINAL DEFENSE, GOVERNMENT ENFORCEMENT AND ANTI- FRAUD INTERNAL INVESTIGATION AND REMEDIATION. MR. ZHUANG HAS EXTENSIVE EXPERIENCE IN CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION AND LITIGATION.

Education

- China University of Political Science and Law, LL.B, 1999

Professional Qualification

- Admitted to practice in the PRC

Professional Background

- Before joining Fangda, Mr. Zhuang worked for 15 years in the procuratorial department.

Mr. Zhuang has extensive experience in criminal defense and government enforcement, as well as in anti-fraud internal investigations for both multinational companies and domestic Chinese companies. Mr. Zhuang has served clients in a broad range of industries, such as life sciences, TMT, manufacturing, real estate, automobile, and finance. Mr. Zhuang excels in uncovering sophisticated fraud schemes and recovering millions of dollars for clients in criminal and civil matters and investigations.

Mr. Zhuang has been interviewed by CCTV for his outstanding work and has written a number of articles such as Corruption Investigation Strategy, “6.23” Special Case Investigation Strategy, Lack of Qualification Has Become a Killer in Serious Accidents, How to Strengthen Internal Supervision of Procuratorial Agencies through Case Management, and Record of Investigation of Beijing Computer Factory No.1 Corruption and Embezzlement Case. Mr. Zhuang is also a primary author of 2015 - 2016 Blue Book on Chinese Anti-Commercial Bribery, 2016 - 2017 Blue Book on Chinese Compliance and Anti-Commercial Bribery, 《2017-2018 China Annual Compliance Bluebook》、《2018-2019 China Annual Compliance Bluebook》、《2019-2020 China Annual Compliance Bluebook》、and Inspiration from Cooperation Policy of the FCPA Enforcement.

Mr. Zhuang was awarded as “Acknowledged Lawyer” in the field of corporate investigation/anti- corruption by Chambers’ 2019 Asia-Pacific Legal Guide.

Mr. Zhuang was awarded “2020 Rising Star” in the field of regulation and compliance by The Legal 500.

Mr. Zhuang was awarded "Up and Coming Lawyer" in the field of Corporate Investigations/Anti-Corruption by Chambers Asia Pacific 2021.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS AND CASES

- Acted as defense attorney for defendants criminally charged with fiduciary crimes, economic and financial crimes and successfully obtained penalty mitigation or exemption for all defendants
- Represented a leading US multinational in the technology sector in handling internal investigations and a criminal investigation by the Chinese procuratorate into potential FCPA, Chinese commercial bribery and accounting fraud violations involving third parties. In recognition of the client’s thorough investigation and full

cooperation, the US Department of Justice decided not to prosecute

- Advised a famous internet company on an employee's criminal intrusion in the company's computer system and data theft, assisted the company in reporting the employee to local Public Security Bureau (PSB), and helped the client persuade local PSB to investigate and prosecute the case
- Represented a leading real estate company in investigating a complex fraud scheme by executives at a subsidiary, assisted the company in persuading the PSB to investigate the case, and assisted the company in discovering and recovering through internal and criminal investigations millions of dollars embezzled by the executives
- Advised several leading companies on conducting complex internal investigations into employee fraud and assisted the companies in reporting implicated employees to local PSBs for investigation
- Represented a leading pharmaceutical company in its various internal investigations into potential FCPA violations and accounting fraud in China
- Represented several multinational companies in various industries in conducting investigations into shareholder and employee misconduct and advised on civil and criminal remedies
- Represented a leading multinational company in a criminal investigation, provided dawn raid training, conducted an internal anti-fraud investigation, successfully prevented the company from criminal punishment, and identified significant internal fraud by employees during the subsequent investigations
- Advised several famous technology companies on internal investigations into employee criminal trade secret infringement and criminal intrusion in computer systems and data theft and assisted the companies in persuading local PSBs to investigate the cases
- Advised a multinational company on an environmental pollution investigation led by the procuratorate
- Advised an entrepreneur wanted for smuggling and stranded overseas on negotiating his voluntary surrender to customs
- Represented a well-known domestic technology company in a PSB criminal investigation, assisted the company in communicating and cooperating with the PSB and successfully prevented the company from being tagged or punished by the PSB
- Represented a well-known multinational company in protecting its copyright from infringement and participated in the criminal investigation and litigation against the infringers
- Advised several companies on criminal and civil legal issues in commercial disputes
- Represented a well-known Chinese e-commerce company on a long-term basis in conducting criminal and administrative risk due diligence on investment targets and advised on investment models and post-investment compliance systems to effectively reduce investment risks
- Advised multinational companies in various industries on cross-border data transfers, state secrets, and data privacy
- Advised various multinational companies and Chinese domestic companies on the Cyber Security Law and other data privacy issues
- Provided compliance services to well-known internet finance companies
- Represented a well-known fund company in reimbursing an investment fund in a criminal case over the illegal absorption of public deposits, in protecting the client’s interests, and in cooperating with the Nanjing Intermediate People's Court, the procuratorate, and the PSB
- Provided legal services to a finance company on suspected illegal fundraising, and successfully negotiated with the PSB to avoid criminal charges against the company
- Represented a well-known international investment fund in assisting its Chinese head in a PSB criminal investigation into his suspected money laundering and successfully negotiated with the PSB for it to refrain from taking improper administrative measures against him
- Represented a large state-owned enterprise in a criminal and civil case arising from a loan agreement with a large state-owned bank and assisted the prosecution of bank employees and related personnel for loan fraud