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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Temple University Beasley School of Law, Philadelphia

2012 – Professor of Law
1998 – 2012 Associate Professor of Law

Courses taught:

- Conflict of Laws
- Contract Law
- International Civil Litigation and Arbitration
- International Commercial Transactions
- Chinese Law

Faculty service:

Director, 1998 – 2010 and Co-Director 2010 – 2011, Temple University Rule of Law Program in China.

Chair, International Programs Committee 2010 – 2012, 2024-2026; Member of the Committee since 1989; Faculty Senate 2020 – 2023; Curriculum Committee 2012 – 2014. SJD Committee 2018 -

Tsinghua University Law School, Beijing

2005 - 2012 Specially invited Professor of Law of Tsinghua University School of Law, teaching the course in Chinese Contract Law for non-Chinese students enrolled in the LL.M program in Chinese Law.

Chinese University of Political Science & Law, Beijing

1999 – 2008 Adjunct Professor of Law, offering lectures and seminars for graduate students

in Conflict of Law, UCC Articles 2, and International Civil Litigation; Teaching summer courses in Chinese law and legal system for American JD students.

PRIOR EXPERIENCE:

1994 – 1998 Consultant / Attorney, Hezhong Law Firm, Washington DC/Maryland
Practiced in the areas of international investment and business transactions, corporate law, contract, international civil litigation, and immigration; Represented clients before state and federal courts in civil and contractual litigation; Assisted clients in the matters concerning joint ventures, intellectual property protections, franchising/ licensing, immigration status adjustment, and business acquisition.

Advised companies, industrial coalitions on complex foreign investment matters and corporate laws, including joint ventures, M&A, securities, as well as Internet regulations; Advise Chinese government agencies on legal matters in the areas of international trade and business transactions, including trade policies and regulations; Participate in business negotiations and establishment; advise on the matters of dispute settlement, arbitration proceedings and civil litigation.

1991 – 1993 Legal Consultant, Law Department, Allied Signal Inc., South Field, MI
Handled the joint venture projects between Autolite, Allied Signal Inc., and its Chinese counterparts; Conducted legal research and consultation in international business law and investment, and intellectual property law; Drafted memos on a variety of legal matters, joint venture contracts, articles of associations, and licensing agreements.

1986 – 1989 Assistant Professor, China University of Political Science & Law,
Taught courses in Conflict of laws, Corporations, International Investment, and International Business Transactions; Provided legal counseling to Chinese companies in international business transactions, investment, and international civil litigation / arbitration.

1985 – 1986 Project Consultant, the Ministry of Justice of the People's Republic of China:
Undertook the project in international judicial assistance and international civil Litigation.

HONORS & FELLOWSHIPS

Fulbright Fellowship, 1989 – 1990

MEMBER OF BAR

New York and Maryland

EDUCATION:

University of Pennsylvania School of Law **Philadelphia, PA**
S.J.D. (2007)

University of Michigan School of Law **Ann Arbor, MI**
LL.M. (1990)

China University of Political Science & Law **Beijing, China**
LL.B. (1983), LL.M. (1986)

PUBLICATIONS

English

Books

Contemporary Chinese Law and Legal System: Fundamentals, Civil Justice and Process (*Cambridge* 2026)

Chinese Contract Law: Theory and Practice (*Brill*, 2006; 2nd ed. 2020)

An Introduction to Chinese Torts Law (*Tsinghua Univ. Press*, 2014)

Articles

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- **Striking the Balance Between Contractual Rights and Obligations: Restructured Contract Law in the Newly Enacted Chinese Civil Code**, 5 *Cardozo Int'l & Comp. L. Rev.*, 81 (2021)
- **Change of Regulatory Scheme: China's New Foreign Investment Law and Reshaped Legal Landscape**, 37 *UCLA Pac. Basin L.J.*, 179 (2020)
- **Enforceability: Foreign Arbitral Awards in Chinese Courts**, 20 *San Diego Int'l L.J.* 1 (2018).
- **Habitual Residence v. Domicile: A Challenge Facing American Conflicts of Laws**, 70 *Me.L.Rev.* 169 (2018).
- **Pushing the Envelope: Application of Guiding Cases in Chinese Courts and Development of Case Law in China**, 26 *Wash. Int'l. L.J.* 269 (2017).
- **Rethinking Contractual Choice of Law: An Analysis of Relation Syndrome**, 44 *Stetson L. Rev.* 831 (Spring 2015)
- **Codified Choice of Law in China: Rules, Processes and Theoretic**

- Underpinnings, 37 *North Carolina J. Int'l L & Com. Reg.* 83 (2011).
- **Tort Liabilities and Torts Law: the New Frontier of Chinese Legal Horizon**, 10 *Richmond J. of Global Bus. & L.*, 415 (2011).
 - **The Socialist Legal System with Chinese Characteristics: China's Discourse for the Rule of Law and A Bitter Experience**, 24 *Temple Int'l & Comp. L. J.* 1 (2010).
 - **Party Autonomy in Non-Contractual Obligations: Rome II and Its Impacts on Choice of Law**, 39 *Seton Hall Law Review*, 861 (2009).
 - **From Public to Private: The Newly Enacted Chinese Property Law and the Protection of Property Rights in China**, 5 *Berkeley Bus. L. J.* 371 (2008).
 - **Contractual Choice of Law in Contracts of Adhesion and party Autonomy**, 41 *Akron L. Rev.* 123 (2008).
 - **Party Autonomy and Beyond: An International Perspective of Contractual Choice of Law**, 20 *Emory Int'l L. Rev.* 511 (2006).
 - **Choice of Law in Contacts: A Chinese Approach**, 26 *NW. J. Int'l L & Bus.* 289 (2006).
 - **Burden of Proof: Developments in Modern China Civil Evidence Rules**, 10 *TULSA Int'l & Comp. L. J.* 419 (2003).
 - **Governance of Internet Domain Names Against Cybersquatters in China, Framework and Legal Perspective**, 26 *Hastings Int'l & Comp. L. J.* 51 (2002).
 - **International Civil Litigation in China: A Practical Analysis of the Chinese Judicial System**, 25 *Boston College Int'l & Comp. L. R.* 59 (2002).
 - **China Amends to its EJV Law, A Further Effort in Compliance with the WTO**, *Asia Executive Report* (Fall 2001).
 - **Freedom of Contract with Chinese Legal Characteristics, A Closer Look at China's New Contract Law**, *Temple Univ. Int'l & Comp. L. J.* (Fall 2000).
 - **China New Securities Law: An Effort to Create Markets that Are Open and Equitable, Part II, Disclosure, Prohibited Transactions, Regulatory Structure, and Remaining Issues** *Asia Executive Report* (May/June, 1999).
 - **China New Securities Law: An Efforts to Create Markets that Are Open and Equitable, Part I, Complexity of Securities Used, Scope of New Law, Provisions on Issuance, Listing and Trading**, *Asia Executive Report* (Feb. 1999).
 - **China's Foreign Exchange System, End of Swapping Continues Move toward a Unified System, but Raises Questions for FIEs**. *Asia Executive Report*, 20 (June 1998).
 - **China's Regulatory Structure over Internet - Emphasis on Public Security and State Interest**. *Asia Executive Report*, 24 (March, 1998).
 - **New Measures Provide Legal Framework for China's Overseas Project Financing**. *Asia Executive Report*, 22 (May. 15, 1997), pp. 9-12.
 - **China Adopts Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Regulations: Leverage and Bargaining Power**. *Asia Executive Report*, 19 (Feb. 15, 1997) 2, pp. 9-13.
 - **China's Moves Toward National Treatment of Foreign Investors**. *East Asia Executive Report*, 18 (Nov. 15, 1996) 11, pp. 9-15.

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Book

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Articles

- ***Third Party Interests and Protection***, 17 Renmin U. L. Rev. 313 (2014)
- ***Breaking the Tradition: Party Autonomy in the Choice of Law Governing Non-Contractual Obligations***, *the Chinese Yearbook of Private International Law and Comparative Law*, 269 (2012)
- **The Right of Domain Name: Challenges to the Conflict of Law in the Information Era**. *The Chinese Yearbook of Private International Law & Comparative Law* (2001).
- **Jurisdiction Base of the American Courts in International Civil Litigation**. *The Chinese Yearbook of Private International & Comparative Law* 439 (2000).
- **Government Interest Analysis and the Revolution in American Conflict of Law**, *The Chinese Yearbook of Private International & Comparative Law*, 31 (1999).
- **Legal Questions in Corporate Liquidation, Joint Venture in Particular**. 75 *Beijing Jurisprudence*, 15 (1992).
- **One Country with Two Systems and the Conflict of Laws in China**. 19 *Tribune of Politics & Law*, 32 (1988).
- **Legal System and Foreign Investment Environment**. 68 *Beijing Jurisprudence*, 24 (1988).
- **U.S. 301 Clause and Its Impacts on China Foreign Trade**. 27 *Shanghai Jurisprudence*, 14 (1987).
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- **Time Factors in Conflict of Laws**. Selected Articles on the Private International Law, *Wu Han University Press*, 1984.

PRESENTATIONS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

- “American Contract Law and its Enforcement”, All China Lawyers Association’s

- Lawyer Training, Philadelphia, 2015.
- “Chinese Contract Law and its Application”, Tsinghua University Law School, October 2014.
- “Property Right Protection in China: Legal Framework and Challenges”, SEALS Annual Conference, August 2013.
- “Private International Law in the 21st Century”, panelist, Sino-Foreign Private International Law Conference, May 2011, Beijing.
- CISG and Challenges Facing Its Application”, group discussion, Symposium on CISG, June, 2010, Wuhan, China
- “Debating Issues in the Drafting of Chinese Torts Law”, Civil Law Conference, October, 2009, Beijing
- “International Legal Education”, the Global University: A Regional Focus, NASUAGC Conference, July 2008, Portsmouth, NH
- “Nail House Syndrome”, Symposium on the Enactment and Enforcement of Property Law in China, June 2007, Tsinghua University, Beijing.
- “International Contracts and Choice of Law”, Penal discussion, Beijing Bar Association and Novells LLP, April 2006
- “American Conflict of Law Revolution and Choice of Law”, China University of Political Science & Law, June 2005
- “Rule of Law in China”, Tennessee University College of Law, May 2003.
- Member of Executive Committee, Section on Conflict of Laws, AALS, 2007-2012
- Judge, “Lvli Cup” National Legal Argument Competition, Tsinghua University, 2009.

PEER REVIEWS

- Peer Reviewer, American Journal of Comparative Law, 2025
- Expert Reviewer, Faculty Promotion, Peking University Law School, 2020
- External Reviewer, Cambridge U. Press, book proposal on Private International Law, August 2015
- External Reviewer, a series of research proposals for funding, Research Grants Council of Hong Kong, 2015 - 2026
- External reviewer, Washington International Law Journal, Spring 2015.
- Scholarly work evaluation on comparative research in judicial justice in Mainland China and Macau, Faculty of Law, University of Macau, March 2013
- External reviewer, the Research Grant Commission of Hong Kong, the research projects concerning Chinese Contract Law and Chinese Property Law, March 2012
- Book reviewer, Ashgate Publishing, a book of Modern Chinese Real Estate Law, Oct. 2011
- External reviewer, Law and Society Inquiry, an article on Chinese property Law, Nov. 2009

- External reviewer, the Private International Law Journal, an article about Choice of Law in China, May 2008
- External Reviewer, Oxford, a book proposal on Chinese Legal System, Nov. 2007.