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Bao Zhi is the representative of Baker McKenzie FenXun Joint Operation. Mr. Bao's practice focuses on foreign direct investment, mergers and acquisitions, private equity and anti-monopoly, all disciplines which he made his own during his over seven years with a government authority and subsequently at a leading PRC law firm.
At the authority, he spearheaded examination of numerous foreign direct investments, cross-border mergers and acquisitions, and anti-monopoly filings for companies engaged in M&A transactions. He also was a principal draftsman of key regulations relating to restructuring of domestic and offshore companies, and cross-border M&A transactions (for both unlisted and listed Chinese target companies, as well as both inbound and outbound transactions) and funds.

Mr. Bao has pioneered (and obtained approvals for) unique, tested transformations of offshore ownership transaction structures into onshore ownership structures for important clients. Mr. Bao has advised many multinational companies on regulatory aspects, including but not limited to anti-trust filing and national security review of their cross-border M&A transactions, as well as counselling them on the regulatory risks of their business behavior.

Professional experience

Representative Legal Matters

- Advised Platinum Equity, LLC on the China merger control clearance aspects of its USD 4 billion acquisition of Emerson's Network Power Business, and its SGD 150 million acquisition of the Foam Plastics Solutions and the Flow Control Devices businesses from Broadway Industrial Group Limited.
- Advised HonHai (Foxconn) on the China merger control aspects of its USD 3.8 billion acquisition of Sharp.
- Advised Lonza Group AG on its proposed acquisition of Capsugel S.A.
- Advised Murata on the Chinese merger control filing for its acquisition of Sony's battery business.
- Advised FedEx on the Chinese merger clearance aspects of its USD 4.8 billion acquisition of TNT.
- Advised a world-famous elevator manufacturer on the Chinese merger control issue in relation to its potential acquisition.
- Advised on the China merger control clearance aspects in relation to Platinum's USD 4 billion acquisition of Emerson's Network Power Business.
- Advised on the China merger control clearance aspects in relation to Platinum's acquisition of the Foam Plastics Solutions and the Flow Control Devices businesses from Broadway Industrial Group Limited.
- Advised a German manufacturing company on its purchase of a portion of the manufacturing business of a US company with most of its assets in the US, as well as operations/subsidiaries in China and other countries.

Recognition

Professional Honors

- Leading Lawyer Competition/Antitrust (PRC Firms) - Chambers Greater China, 2025-2026
- Highly regarded Lawyer - IFLR 1000, 2026
- Winner of 2025 Antitrust Writing Awards: Business Article (Asia & Oceania) - Concurrences, 2025
- 2025 Competition Guide: Recommended Lawyer - Lexology Index, 2025
- Leading Lawyer (Competition, China) - IFLR1000, 2017 & 2024
- Recognized Practitioner (Competition/Antitrust PRC firms) - Chambers Asia Pacific, 2019-2020
- Band 3 Lawyer (Investment Fund, Foreign Legal Consultants (PRC Firms), China) - Chambers Asia Pacific, 2015

Location & Information

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Practices

Antitrust & Competition / Mergers & Acquisitions

Languages spoken

English / Mandarin

- Band 2 Lawyer, Investment Funds (Domestic firms) - LEGALBAND, 2017

Qualifications & Education

Admission

- PRC, 1999

Education

- University of California, Berkeley (LL.M.)
- East China University of Political Science and Law (LL.M.)
- Anhui University (LL.B.)

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