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Qi Yue is a partner of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP based in the Beijing office. He is a member of the firm's Corporate, Mergers and Acquisitions, and Private Equity Practice Groups. Qi has extensive experience in China-related public and private M&A and Private Equity transactions, including complex cross-border mergers and acquisitions, business combinations and carve-outs, strategic and private equity buyouts, minority investments and venture capital transactions, offshore and onshore joint ventures and other strategic cooperation. He has also represented diverse participants in going private transactions involving Chinese companies listed in the United States, including special committees, buyer consortiums, founders, co-investors and other financing sources.

Qi is regularly recognized and listed as an expert in his field by publications such as *Chambers Global*, *Chambers Greater China Region*, *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific*, *China Business Law Journal*, *IFLR1000* and *Asian Legal Business*. He was named by *China Business Law Journal* as a Rising Star in 2022, by *IFLR1000* as a Rising Star Partner in 2022, and by *Asian Legal Business* in its *2021 China Top 15 Rising Lawyers list* which showcases the most accomplished lawyers in China under the age of 40. His work in CPE's sale of a majority stake in Acotec, a Chinese medical technology company publicly listed in Hong Kong, to Boston Scientific was nominated as a finalist in the M&A Deal of the Year at the ALB China Law Awards 2023 and at the IFLR Asia-Pacific Awards 2024. He recently advised the Special Committee of Chindata, one of China's largest data center providers, on its US\$3.2 billion take-private transaction by a buyer consortium led by Bain Capital. The Chindata Take Private transaction has been named Private Equity Deal of the Year at the IFLR Asia-Pacific Awards 2024, at the Asia Legal Awards 2024, at the China Business Law Journal Deals of the Year Award 2023-24, and at the 2023 FinanceAsia Achievement Awards.

His private equity, asset management and sovereign wealth funds clients include Advent International, Affinity Equity Partners, AGIC Capital, Anchor Equity, Apax Partners, Blackstone Real Estate Partners, Canada Pension Plan Investment Board, CITIC Capital, CPE, CITIC Securities Investment, Davidson Kempner Asia, Goldman Sachs, Hillhouse Capital, I Squared Capital, JPMorgan Asset Management, KKR, Kuwait Investment Authority, Macquarie, Primavera Capital and Silver Lake Partners, among others.

Qi has worked on a number of landmark transactions. His recent and most significant experience includes advising:

- CPE in its sale of a majority stake in Acotec, a Chinese medical technology company publicly listed in Hong Kong, to Boston Scientific, through a US\$520 million partial offer
- CPE in the US\$4.8 billion going private transaction of China Biologic Products Holdings
- The Special Committee of Sina Corporation in the Company's US\$2.6 billion going



Capabilities

Mergers and Acquisitions
Private Equity

Credentials

Education

Harvard University - 2010 Juris Doctor
University of Washington - 2007 Master of Science
Peking University - 2002 Bachelor of Science

Admissions

New York Bar

private transaction

- NetEase in the sale of its cross-border e-commerce platform Kaola to Alibaba for US\$2 billion
- Beijing NAURA Technology in the acquisition of Akrion Systems, a leading supplier of advanced wafer surface preparation solutions in the U.S.
- Tsinghua Unigroup in the acquisition of a majority stake in Hewlett-Packard's China-based server, storage and technology services businesses for US\$2.5 billion and the related joint venture
- Danone in the formation of chilled yogurt joint ventures with Mengniu and the strategic investment in Mengniu's Hong Kong Listco for approximately US\$420 million

Prior to joining Gibson Dunn in 2015, Qi worked at Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP where he spent two years in their New York office and three years in their Beijing office. Qi received his Juris Doctor from Harvard Law School in 2010, his Master of Science from the University of Washington in 2007 and his Bachelor of Science from Peking University in 2002. He is admitted to practice in the state of New York and is fluent in Mandarin and English.

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