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COMMERCIAL LITIGATION & DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Commercial litigation lies at the very heart of Gall's day to day practice.

Our litigation lawyers have extensive experience in dispute resolution through the mediums of litigation, arbitration and mediation gained in all forums in Hong Kong and help clients navigate their case by providing a strong tailor-made litigation strategy.

Contractual disputes, shareholder disputes, board disputes and fraud are common types of commercial disputes encountered by companies that we regularly advise. Litigators at Gall take a commercial approach and offer realistic options and solutions for clients in order to help them to make an informed decision.

Commercial disputes do not always need to be resolved in Court. Our litigation lawyers are experienced in advising clients on how to initiate settlement negotiations and are skilled at formulating the right strategies on a case-by-case basis. We also have strong relationships with external counsel including overseas lawyers, accountants, investigators and liquidators.

Our commercial litigation lawyers are specialists in the following areas:

- Cross border litigation
- Recovery of sovereign debt
- Contractual disputes
- Debt recovery
- Professional negligence

Awards and Recognition

- « Gall aims to work efficiently and in a manner appropriate to the importance of the client's case, and to give clients good value for money. »
- « Gall has provided no-nonsense advice including where advice was contrary to what the end client hoped to hear. Their awareness of commerciality and proportionality of outcome have been apparent throughout. »

Leading Firm – Dispute Resolution (Litigation) – Chambers Greater China 2023

- « Boutique dispute resolution only firm, no conflicts, small but very strong. »
- « A well organised and effective team of lawyers that is well-equipped in handling complex cross-border commercial disputes. »

Leading Firm, Dispute Resolution – Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2023

« Gall has a very dedicated and competent team and is always reliable. I also find that Gall is very good at client management, both in terms of taking instructions even when that is not straightforward, and in terms of managing the client's expectations. »

AsiaLaw Profiles 2023

« Dispute Resolution Boutique Law Firm of the Year »

ALB Hong Kong Law Awards 2022

- « Our go-to firm for local disputes »
- « A firm which combines international standards of excellence with real local insight » Leading Firm, Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2022
- « Very strong, very meticulous and very detailed »
- « The leading independent local practice in Hong Kong »

Leading Firm, Dispute Resolution - Chambers Greater China 2022

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- Insurance
- Shareholder and partnership disputes
- Breach of confidence claims
- Financial disputes involving banks and financial institutions
- Defamation
- Contempt /committal proceedings
- Commodities and trading disputes
- Judicial review
- Trust and probate claims
- Land disputes

Nick Gall is Senior Partner and Head of Litigation at Gall. Nick has extensive experience in dealing with multi-jurisdictional fraud and international asset tracing litigation. His work often requires making cross-border applications, freezing/gagging applications, urgent injunctive relief, the examination of senior executives/bank officers and recovery and enforcement proceedings.

Executive Partner Chris Wong specialises in a broad range of corporate and commercial dispute work, with particular emphasis on complex multi-jurisdictional disputes, fraud and asset recovery, contentious insolvency and bankruptcy, receiverships, shareholders and joint venture disputes, gaming disputes, mis-selling of financial products, cybercrime, audit negligence claims, SFC and ICAC investigations, employment disputes and judicial review.

Partner Evelyn Chan rejoined Gall in November 2017 and focuses her practice on complex civil litigation, with a particular focus on PRC related matters.

Partner Kenix Yuen specialises in cross-border commercial litigation and international arbitrations, in particular involving elements of the PRC.

Partner Felda Yeung joined the firm as a trainee solicitor in 2011 and was admitted as a Solicitor in Hong Kong in 2013. She was promoted to Of Counsel in June 2021 and to Partner in August 2022. Felda has experience in commercial and civil litigation, with a focus on arbitration, contractual disputes and fraud investigations. Recent arbitration related work includes enforcing foreign arbitration awards in Hong Kong and defending applications to set aside arbitration awards.

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Recent commercial litigation cases include:

- Representing one of the most prominent businesswomen in the PRC in a USD280 million dispute with one of the largest private equity firms in the world;
- Representing the Chairman of a solar company listed on the New York Stock Exchange in Court proceedings in relation to his/company's debt obligations exceeding USD2 billion;
- Representing a major shareholder in a shareholders/family dispute in which they vie for control over a Hong Kong company which holds a majority shareholding in a Japanese company listed on the Japanese Stock Exchange (Re Okada Holdings Ltd, HCMP 1324/2017 and HCMP 2446/2017). The matter involves mandatory injunctions seeking to restrain shareholders rights.