# People Moves in the Legal Market – 10th-14th October

## China

White & Case has hired Partner Alex Zhang, formerly from Jones Day, to head its Shanghai office and China corporate and M&A practice. (The Lawyer, 10th October 2011)

**Jun He** has hired a fourth new partner from international firms since August this year. Jasson Han, most recently with **Weil Gotshal & Manges**, has returned to Jun He as partner after 18 years working for international firms. (The Lawyer, 12th October 2011)

Beijing-headquartered **Global Law Office** (GLO) has signed a deal with Germany's **Heuking** and expanded its domestic reach to Shenzhen, which will now be its third Chinese base. (The Lawyer, 10th October 2011)

**Longan Law Firm** has hired six new Partners to its Shenzhen office. Wang Jianguo, previously Partner of **Chuang Ji**, will lead the customs department, Zhang Chi, formerly at **W & H**, will head the mergers and acquisitions department, while Guan Shibiao, Yan Haihua, Si Xianli and Li Yan from **Chuang Ji**, **W & H**, **JunZeJun** and **Kdlawyers** respectively will cover M&A, foreign investment, finance, capital market and customs areas. (ALB, 11th October 2011)

## **Hong Kong**

**Blank Rome** has hired Ronald Sum as a dispute resolution Partner for its Hong Kong office. Sum was previously a Partner at UK firm **Eversheds**' Hong Kong office. (The Asian Lawyer, 13th October 2011)

## **Southeast Asia**

Watson Farley & Williams has launched a local law practice in Singapore through a joint venture with regional firm Asia Practice. This joint venture, which was announced this month, grants Watson Farley & Williams access to 44 fee earners in the region, including 12 Partners. (Legal Week, 11th October 2011)

**Linklaters** has relocated two Partners from Europe in order to boost its Asia corporate practice. Peter Goes from the Amsterdam office will be moving to Beijing, whilst Miles Curley will move from Madrid to Singapore.

The firm's global co-head of mergers and acquisitions, Matthew Middleditch, currently based in London, will soon be spending a "significant" amount of time in Asia, dependent on client demands.

(The Asian Lawyer, 11th October 2011)

## **Australia**

**DLA Piper** hires **Norton Rose** Australia's distressed investment specialist Troy Doyle as part of a bid to build a dedicated global restructuring practice. Doyle's role at Norton Rose, leading the distressed debt and investments team globally for the Norton Rose Group will be filled by Norton Rose Partner David Goldman. (ALB, 12th October 2011)



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