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Mengshi (Emma) Li represents multinational companies and individual clients with substantial business ties to Greater China and Asia Pacific in cross-border government investigations and enforcement actions, including from U.S. enforcement and regulatory agencies. She assists clients in responding to matters involving bribery, corruption, money laundering, fraud, sanctions and export controls, antitrust, insider trading and other misconduct.

Ms. Li has particular experience in assisting companies in the life sciences, automotive, gaming, manufacturing, investment funds, telecommunications, education and other sectors. She has also represented audit and special committees of U.S.-listed Chinese companies in response to government investigations. Ms. Li also has experience navigating inquiries and compliance from Chinese authorities.

Before joining Kobre & Kim, Ms. Li practiced at the Shanghai office of Kirkland & Ellis, focusing on white-collar crime investigations and defense. Ms. Li passed the Chinese bar exam in 2015.

Ms. Li received her LLM degree from Harvard Law School, where she served as the Vice President of External Affairs of the Harvard Law School China Law Association and a routine contributor to the *Global Anticorruption Blog*.

Admissions

- New York
- Registered Foreign Lawyer, Hong Kong

Education

- Harvard Law School, LLM
- Peking University School of Transnational Law, JD & JM, Honors (Senior Editor, *Peking University Transnational Law Review*)
- University of Science and Technology Beijing, BA, Honors

Languages

- Chinese (Mandarin)

Professional & Community Involvement

- Arbitrator, 15th Frankfurt Investment Arbitration Moot Court CIETAC Chinese Rounds, 2023

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Publications & Presentations

- Author, “Will China’s Property Tax Reform Be a Catalyst for Corruption?” (*Global Anticorruption Blog*, February 2022)
- Author, “Chinese NPAs Target the Wrong Firms” (*Global Anticorruption Blog*, January 2022)
- Author, “Leniency Revisited: China Should Also Reward Bribe Takers Who Confess” (*Global Anticorruption Blog*, November 2021)
- Author, “Jail Time is Not a Cure: Misguided Efforts in Prioritizing Prosecution against Individuals under the FCPA Context” (*Peking University Transnational Law Review*, 2018)