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William Weightman, under the supervision of the firm's lawyers, specializes in matters involving cross-border disputes and investigations with a focus on the People's Republic of China. He also has significant experience conducting trading and economic analyses for federal criminal cases alleging fraud and spoofing in precious metals futures markets.

Previously, Mr. Weightman was a Fulbright Fellow based in Chengdu, China where he researched China's intellectual property (IP) rights system as well as judicial enforcement in the specialized IP courts and tribunals. His analyses have appeared in the *China Business Review*, *The Diplomat* and *East Asia Forum*, and his commentary has been featured in the *Financial Times*, *CNBC*, *Bloomberg* and *China Daily*, among others.

Mr. Weightman recently assisted with the representation of a Chinese state-owned enterprise in the technology sector in challenging a regulatory action by the U.S. Commerce Department. He has also provided assistance with a matter where the firm serves as the integrity compliance monitor of a large public-listed Chinese technology corporation in connection with its debarment by the World Bank.

Mr. Weightman received his BA from Middlebury College.

### Education

- Middlebury College, BA

### Languages

- Mandarin

### Publications & Presentations

- Author, "Is the Emperor Still Far Away? Centralization, Professionalization, and Uniformity in China's Intellectual Property Reforms" (*UIC Review of Intellectual Property Law*, 2020)
- Author, "China's IP System was Improving Even Before the Trade War" (*China Business Review*, November 2019)
- Author, "Xi Cracks Down on Local Governments' Compliance and Creativity" (*East Asia Forum*, June 2018)
- Author, "Why China Won't Abandon Its Controversial Trade Policies" (*The Diplomat*, May 2018)
- Author, "China's Progress on Intellectual Property (Yes, Really)" (*The Diplomat*, January 2018)