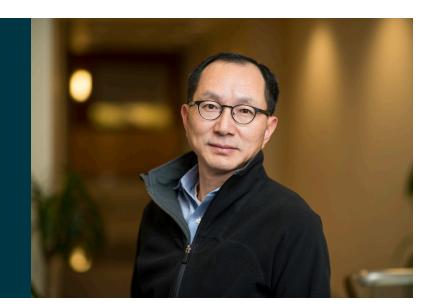
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FOCUS AREAS

Mergers & Acquisitions
Private Equity
Tax

HIGHLIGHTS

Wide-Ranging Tax Practice

With a practice encompassing nearly all aspects of corporate, partnership, and international tax, Jonathan advises on mergers, acquisitions, private equity transactions, and capital markets matters.

A Recognized Practitioner

Jonathan is consistently recognized as a leading tax attorney by Chambers USA.

EXPERIENCE

Jonathan Zhu has a general federal income tax practice, and advises on taxable and tax-free mergers and acquisitions, various private equity transactions, and an array of capital markets matters.

He has advised, among others, Alpine Investors, Ampere Computing, AppLovin, Bakkt Holdings, Boyu Capital, Camberview Partners, DoorDash, Emerson Collective Investments, Figure Markets Holdings, Francisco Partners, General Atlantic, Goldman Sachs, Inspirato, J.P. Morgan, KKR, Kleiner Perkins, L Capital, Mainsail Partners, Morgan Stanley, OneStream, Palantir Technologies, Plaid, Pluralsight, Riverwood Capital, Rodan & Fields, RxSight, Serent Capital, Silver Lake Partners, Strattam Capital, Temasek Holdings, TPG Capital, and Warbus Pincus.

Prior to the practice of law, Jonathan was an Engagement Manager at McKinsey & Company. He was a theoretical physicist before attending law school and has an *h*-index of 19 for his research.

CREDENTIALS

Education

- J.D., Yale Law School, 1998 Editor, The Yale Law Journal
- Ph.D., Physics, University of California, Berkeley, 1992
- B.S., Physics, University of Science and Technology of China, 1987

Associations and Memberships

• Member, State Bar of California

Honors

Named among California's top tax attorneys in the 2011-2024 editions of Chambers USA:
 America's Leading Lawyers for Business, in which clients described him as "very intelligent, very commercial and easy to work with" and "smart and practical, which is what you look for in a lawyer," with others noting his ability "to discuss any matter with ease"

Admissions

• State Bar of California

INSIGHTS

Select Publications

- "PFIC Issues for Non-U.S. Real Property Operating Companies," 149 Tax Notes 111, October 2015
- "U.S. Tax Issues in Establishing an Off-Shore Start-Up," 144 Tax Notes 1571, September 2014
- "Basis Disappearance in All-Cash D Reorganizations," 126 *Tax Notes* 950, February 2010
- "U.S.-Source Interest Income from a Lending Business," 125 Tax Notes 785, November 2009
- "Cross-Border Tax Issues Involving Single-Owner Grantor Trusts," 122 Tax Notes 1247, March 2009
- "Partnership-Related Withholding Rules for Interest Payments," 109 Tax Notes 820, November 2005
- "Tax Deeming Rules: A Method to the Madness," 105 Tax Notes 1425, December 2004