

Biography



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Expertise

Litigation & Insolvency, Listco Disputes, Trusts & Private Client Litigation, International Arbitration, Private Wealth, Family Office, Trusts, Restructuring, Distressed Funds

Vicky Lord is the managing partner of our Shanghai offering in the People's Republic of China (PRC) and is a highly regarded litigator in cross-border commercial cases in the British Virgin Islands and Cayman Islands. As head in the China Litigation, Insolvency and Restructuring team, she obtains significant wins for clients acting as a litigator in ultra-high-value, high-profile BVI and Cayman commercial disputes with cross-border elements.

Vicky has a wealth of experience in Cayman Islands s238 privatisations and BVI take-privates, as well as schemes of arrangements, acting company side to secure wins for clients. She has a proven track record of significant wins in shareholder and board-room disputes for new economy and tech companies, acting both company side and for shareholders and directors alike. She often acts as a specialist BVI and Cayman litigation co-counsel for PRC and US listed companies in contentious scenarios.

Vicky is an experienced advocate in insolvency, restructuring, distressed hedge fund litigation and shareholder disputes. She has appeared in the highest offshore court at appellate level, before the Privy Council in London and acts as advocate, supporting on-shore firms, in English language arbitrations in the PRC. Vicky's client base includes some of the world's top financial institutions, blue-chip listed companies and ultra-high net worth individuals.

Vicky is listed as a next generation lawyer for offshore in Legal 500, and a Global Leader, Thought Leader and National Leader in mainland China and Hong Kong SAR in Who's Who Legal for asset recovery. She has been recognised by China Business Law Journal in their prestigious A-List 2020, 2021 and 2022 as one of China's Elite 100 Lawyers (Foreign firm). She has also been recognised by Asian Legal Business in its annual list of Asia's Top Offshore Litigators in 2021 and won Deal of the Year 2020 Awards from China Business Law Journal for her work leading Wang Jing's case against WeRide in Cayman.

Vicky is a foreign registered lawyer in the PRC. As a barrister, Vicky is a member of the Chancery Bar Association. She is also a specially invited foreign registered lawyer member of the Shanghai Bar Association.

She is equally at home advising and presenting cases in Spanish and has a good level of Portuguese, French and Italian comprehension.

Vicky is a regular contributor to the Offshore Litigation Blog and the Take 10 podcast.

Recommendations

Vicky is recognised in the Asia-Pacific rankings.

- Chambers and Partners, 2025

Vicky is named amongst the 2025 LAWDRAGON 100 Leading Cayman Lawyers.

- LAWDRAGON, 2024

Vicky is recognised as a China Global Elite thought leader and in the Mainland China, Hong Kong SAR and Macao SAR – Business Crime Defence guide. She is also recognised as a GIR – Asset Recovery – Thought Leader.

- Who's Who Legal, 2024

Vicky is named amongst the Growth Drivers (international) in the A-List.

- China Business Law Journal, 2023 – 2024

Vicky is named in the A-List of China's Elite 100 lawyers (Foreign firms).

- China Business Law Journal, 2020 – 2022

Vicky has been recognised by Asian Legal Business in its annual list of Asia's Top Offshore Litigators.

- Asian Legal Business, 2021

Vicky is recognised as an expert in asset recovery.

- Who's Who Legal, 2023 (Thought Leader, Mainland China & Hong Kong SAR)

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- Who's Who Legal, 2023 (Thought Leader)

Vicky is recognised as an expert in asset recovery.

- Who's Who Legal, 2023 (Global Leader)

Vicky is recognised as an expert in asset recovery.

- Who's Who Legal, 2023 (Global Elite Thought Leader)

Vicky is recognised as a GIR "thought leader".

- Who's Who Legal, 2019 – 2023 (Thought Leader)

Vicky is recognised as an expert in asset recovery.

- Who's Who Legal, 2018 – 2022 (Global Leader)

Vicky has been recognised as a next generation BVI lawyer.

- Legal 500

Vicky is recognised as a Mainland China & Hong Kong SAR expert in asset recovery.

- Who's Who Legal, 2022 (National Leader)

Experience

Vicky's experience in relation to shareholder disputes include:

Lead partner for Sina Corporation in s238 dissenting shareholder proceedings in the Cayman Islands.

Lead partner for Trina Solar Limited in s238 dissenting shareholder proceedings in the Cayman Islands.

Lead partner for JA Solar Holdings in s238 dissenting shareholder proceedings in the Cayman Islands.

Lead partner acting on behalf of David Golden, the owner of a large luxury property development in Shanghai, in highly contentious proceedings in the BVI and has obtained a series of wins in the face of a highly complex fraud and bitterly fought proceedings brought by HU LAN for ownership and control of BVI Companies holding over US\$1.5 billion in assets.

Lead partner acting on behalf of a wholly subsidiary of a household name, technology and media company in confidential enforcement proceedings arising under a Licence Agreement and an Investment Agreement relating to a joint venture.

Lead partner acting on behalf of a famous pharmaceutical enterprise in China in a shareholders' dispute between the shareholders of a Cayman joint venture which operates drug R&D business via a PRC entity in China in Cayman proceedings with ongoing disputes also taking place in China.

Lead partner acting on behalf of a subsidiary of one of the largest property developers in China in BVI proceedings in relation to a BVI joint venture.

Lead partner acting for China Huarong Macau (HK) Investment Holdings Limited in a loan dispute against Compass Call Ltd which involves a term loan facility in an aggregate amount of up to US\$100 million and five guarantors.

Lead partner acting against WeRide in a Cayman Islands dispute brought by Jing Wang, AI leader of formerly Baidu.

Vicky's experience in relation to enforcement, insolvency and restructuring include:

Lead partner acting on behalf of Dongzheng Ruibo (Shanghai) Investment Center (Limited Partnership) and Orient TM Ruibo Limited (both entities within the Orient Securities Group), the indirect majority shareholders of Taomee Holdings Limited, a well-known children's entertainment company, in contesting the winding up petition commenced by minority shareholders in the Cayman Islands.

Lead partner advising in proceedings concerning the subsidiary of one of the largest national oil companies in China.

Lead partner acting as Cayman Islands and BVI counsel to the affiliates of a large Chinese business service provider in liquidation procedures, advising the companies in relation to statement of affairs and other liquidation documents.

Lead partner acting as Cayman counsel to an asset management company in a liquidation procedure valued at over US\$300 million.

Advising a unicorn in the education industry on contentious legal issues in relation to its restructuring.

Lead partner acting for Grandview Holdings Limited (currently known as Lyu Brothers Limited) in a matter arising out of the 2013 - 2015 winding-up of Cayman company Blue Ridge China DFSS Holdings.

Lead partner acting for wealthy casino owner and gambling tycoon Mr Ng in his long-running claim to regain ownership of shares in BVI company, Peckson Limited and ultimately the valuable New Century Hotel in Macau.

Lead partner in an ancillary BVI proceeding to a £750 million United Kingdom claim.

Lead partner for PwC, as joint provisional liquidators of Natural Dairy, a Hong Kong listed Cayman company in relation to a multi-million dollar fraud dispute.

Acting as lead partner in a US\$1.5 billion multi-jurisdictional fraud against BVI and PRC companies.

Acting as lead partner in a US\$500 million fraud and asset tracing exercise for a Fortune 500 company.

Acting for two Chinese Stock exchange listed companies in their debt recovery actions, providing strategic advice for enforcement from the very beginning of their cases in cooperation with Tier 1 PRC onshore firms.

Acting on behalf of creditors in relation to an application to wind up Wise Global Limited.

Acting for a consortium of investors, including Deutsche Bank and ABN AMRO, on the US\$1.45 billion Fairfield Sentry litigation stemming from the Madoff fraud and successfully resisting BVI claims.

Successfully assisting Singaporean foreign representatives to obtain advance disclosure for a wide-ranging asset tracing in a fraud.

Acting on successful enforcements in the BVI of numerous awards from various arbitral institutions.

Advising a major Russian energy company with respect to the enforcement of an arbitral award.

Acting as an expert witness in arbitration proceedings in relation to BVI law.

Vicky's experience in relation to contentious trusts include:

Lead partner acting in a matter concerning recovery of assets dissipated in breach of trust, namely land held in Sanya, Hainan by PRC companies worth over US\$1 billion, through a HK and BVI structure.

Lead partner acting on behalf of the wife and son of one of Taiwan's pre-eminent families in defence of proceedings in the BVI commenced by the husband in relation to the ownership of the shares in some BVI companies which indirectly hold significant real estate assets and businesses in the PRC valued at billions of US dollars.

Lead partner in a highly contentious trusts disclosure claim in BVI: Tchenguiz v Rawlinson & Hunter as Trustee of the Tchenguiz Family Trust & Anor.

Acting as the sole advocate in a successful application for restoration of trust property for a Russian oligarch.

Acting for the wife and family with regard to a dispute concerning entitlement under a BVI Trust.

Acting for a Cayman Trustee in various Beddoe applications.

Successfully acting for a Latin American heiress in a contentious probate and trust claim.

Bar Admissions

British Virgin Islands
2011

England and Wales (not practising)
2007

Education

Inns of Court School of Law (Bar Vocational Course)
2007

University College London (LLB)
2003

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