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Xiang advises US and international clients on tax, trust and estate planning and administration matters.



Practices

Private Clients, Trusts & Estates

Languages

Mandarin Chinese

Education

New York University School of Law, LL.M., Taxation, 2020

Boston College Law School, JD, 2019

Beijing Foreign Studies University, Master's Degree, 2011

Guangdong University of Foreign Studies, BA, 2009

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Xiang advises high-net-worth individuals, families, and their businesses on the design and execution of sophisticated wealth planning strategies and asset holding structures that preserve and grow multigenerational capital on a global scale. His practice covers a broad range of US and cross-border income, estate, gift, and generation-skipping transfer tax issues.

Xiang regularly structures and modifies foreign and domestic grantor and non-grantor trusts, guides non-US families on US inbound investments and pre-immigration planning, counsels US clients on expatriation strategies and outbound asset holdings, and collaborates with international advisers to navigate multijurisdictional regimes.

Recognized in the 2025 and 2026 editions of Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in America for Trusts and Estates Law, Xiang strives to combine technical tax fluency with a practical, solution-oriented approach. He serves on the New York City Bar Estate & Gift Taxation Committee and is an Affiliate Member of STEP.

Previous Work

Prior to joining ArentFox Schiff, Xiang was an associate in the private client and tax group in the Connecticut office of a global law firm.

Publications, Presentations & Recognitions

Publications

— "A Q&A Guide to the Laws of Probate in Connecticut," Co-Author, *Westlaw Practical Law Guide* (2021)

Presentations

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"The Good, Bad, and Ugly of Wealth Transfer Planning for Residents in High Income Tax States," 63rd Annual Hawaii Tax Institute, Honolulu, HI (Nov. 15, 2026)

- "China's New Tax Regime and Offshore Trusts" STEP Seattle/Pacific Northwest, Seattle, WA (Nov. 12, 2026)
- "China's New Individual Income Taxation Rules on Offshore Trusts – Overview, Practical Issues and Recommendations," Asian Advisors Group, Los Angeles, CA (Sept. 9, 2026)
- "Inbound Planning Playbook: What the NRA (and Advisor) Must Get Right," 38th ABA Annual RPTE National CLE Conference, Chicago, IL (Apr. 30, 2026)
- "Hot Topics in International Estate Planning," New York City Bar Association, Webinar (Oct. 6, 2025)
- "Handling Unusual Assets: US Legal, Tax, and Planning Considerations for Cryptocurrency and Offshore Property," ArentFox Schiff Family Office University, Los Angeles, CA (Jul. 2025)
- "Estate Planning and Probate Administration," (Co-Presenter), Connecticut Veterans Legal Center (Jan. 2024)
- "Fiduciary Income Taxation of Trusts," (Co-Presenter), Witherswordwide CLE event (Feb. 2024)

Recognitions

Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in America (2025-2027)

Boards, Memberships & Certifications

- New York City Bar Estate & Gift Taxation Committee, Member
- New York City Bar Trusts, Estates and Surrogate's Court Committee, Affiliate Member
- STEP, Affiliate Member

Life Beyond the Law

Outside of work, Xiang enjoying hiking and traveling. So far, he has travelled to more than 20 countries in the world.

Xiang is also passionate about charitable cause. While working in China, he attended the first US-China philanthropy forum in Hawaii. While attending law school in the U.S., he interned at the Charity Bureau of New York State Attorney General's Office.

Bar Admissions

New Jersey
New York
Connecticut