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Capital Markets

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Mergers and Acquisitions

Harvey Yao focuses his practice on helping Asia-based fast-growing companies raise equity or equity-linked capital in both the public and private markets, including in SEC-registered offerings, private investment in public equity (PIPE) transactions, as well as venture and growth equity financings.

Harvey also regularly advises Nasdaq or NYSE listed companies in their SEC reporting and disclosure obligations, as well as private companies in their corporate governance, equity-based compensation and other general corporate and compliance matters.

Prior to joining Cooley, Harvey worked at the Beijing office of a top Wall Street law firm, where he gained significant experience and exposure to U.S. initial public offerings and securities regulations.

Representative Matters:

- **Gracell Biotechnologies** in its up to US\$150 million private placement (PIPE) financing in the United States joined by syndicate of premier healthcare investors
- **Bitdeer Technologies Group** in its US\$1.18 billion merger with **Blue Safari** (SPAC) and deSPAC listing on Nasdaq
- **Summit Healthcare Acquisition Corporation** in its US\$849 million merger with **YS Biopharma**, a leading international biotech company
- **A world-leading technology company** for the cryptocurrency mining community in its US\$4 billion de-SPAC transaction and PIPE financing
- **A leading K-12 after-school tutoring services provider** in its US\$2.3 billion private placement of convertible senior notes led by Silver Lake
- **A leading tech-driven online brokerage and wealth management platform** in its over US\$1.2 billion follow-on offering of American depositary shares
- **A leading mobile internet company specializing in free internet access** in its US\$300 million purchase of preferred shares from private equity investors
- **A leading carrier-neutral Internet data center services provider** in its US\$250 million private placement of junior convertible notes to Blackstone and \$260 million privately negotiated repurchase of high-vote ordinary shares from its largest institutional shareholder
- **A 3D interior design, decoration and construction software platform** in its US\$100 million growth equity financing led by Hillhouse

- **A Thailand-based leading courier and logistics service company** in its US\$100 million growth equity financing
- **A Singapore-based ecommerce company** in its over US\$60 million venture financing
- **A leading autonomous aerial vehicle technology platform company** in its US\$40 million private placement of ordinary shares to a leading European asset management firm
- **A mid-cap private equity fund** in its US\$30 million investment in a U.S. video-sharing social networking platform
- **A leading beverage company** in its US\$5 million investment in a Delaware company and the related license of exclusive China distribution rights for herbal and/or spiced liqueurs

Education

University of Chicago Law School

LLM,

Peking University School of Transnational Law

JD & JM,

Guangdong University of Foreign Studies School of Law

LLB,

Admissions & Credentials

New York