

Announcement of GZAC on the Renewal of the 7th Panel of Arbitrators

(For Applicants from Hong Kong SAR, Macao SAR, Taiwan
Province of China, and Other Overseas Jurisdictions)

Guangzhou Arbitration Commission (Guangzhou Court of International Arbitration, hereinafter referred to as “GZAC” or the “Commission”), was established by the People’s Government of Guangzhou Municipality on August 29, 1995. Guangzhou was one of the first seven pilot cities nationwide to set up civil and commercial arbitration institutions after the promulgation of the *Arbitration Law of the People’s Republic of China*. In 2025, the Commission completed its institutional reform, transforming from a public institution managed with reference to the *Civil Servant Law of the People’s Republic of China* into a public-benefit non-profit legal entity, and formed its new arbitration committee in January 2026. The Commission has branches in Dongguan, Zhongshan, Chaozhou, the Fourth Division of Xinjiang Production and Construction Corps (Kokdala City), and the Twelfth Division (Urumqi City). The Commission has repeatedly been listed in the Chinese Arbitration Credibility Appraisal as one of the “Top 10 Nationwide Arbitration Institutions” and one of the “Top 10

Foreign-Related Service Institutions”, and has been selected for the Ministry of Justice’s first batch of Cultivation Projects for First-Class International Arbitration Institutions with Chinese Characteristics. Its business scale and internationalization level rank among the top arbitration institutions nationwide.

Upholding the development philosophy of “Shaping the Future through Credibility and Innovation” and remaining committed to the vision of “Dedicated to providing the optimal resolution for every dispute”, the Commission is dedicated to forging a first-class team of talents and building a world-class arbitration institution with Chinese characteristics. In accordance with the *Arbitration Law of the People’s Republic of China*, the *Articles of Association of Guangzhou Arbitration Commission*, the *Provisions on the Administration of Arbitrator Qualifications of Guangzhou Arbitration Commission*, and other relevant regulations, the Commission hereby calls for global applications for the 7th Panel of Arbitrators.

I. Scope of Application

Any professional from Hong Kong SAR, Macao SAR, Taiwan Province of China, and Other Overseas Jurisdictions, who meets the eligibility requirements set forth in Article II below may apply **(incumbent arbitrators on the 6th panel must reapply and**

participate in this selection).

II. Eligibility Requirements

(I) Basic Requirements

1. Meeting the requirements set forth in Articles 21 and 22 of the *Arbitration Law of the People's Republic of China* (Click the link below to download the Appendix 1).

2. Meeting the requirements set forth in Article 2 of the *Management Rules on Qualification of Arbitrators of Guangzhou Arbitration Commission* (Click the link below to download the Appendix 2).

(II) Preferred Qualifications

1. Fifteen years or more of practical legal work experience in civil and commercial adjudication and enforcement, full-time legal practice, or related fields.

2. Substantial theoretical achievements and practical results in dispute resolution fields such as litigation, arbitration, mediation, facilitation of negotiations, and expert evaluation.

3. Employed by a renowned law school or a large-scale and well-known enterprise in domestic or overseas, or currently practicing as a senior lawyer qualified to practice in multiple jurisdictions.

4. Outstanding contributions and industry influence in

specialized fields such as finance, capital markets, economic and trade, construction engineering, international investment, maritime and admiralty, intellectual property, energy, aviation, biomedical, high-tech, artificial intelligence, and sports, culture and entertainment.

5. Practical experience and achievements in cross-border commercial dispute resolution and cross-border recognition and enforcement of arbitral awards.

6. Ability to use English, French, Spanish, Arabic, Russian, Italian, or other foreign languages as working languages.

(III) Other Requirements

Applicants from Chinese Mainland who, according to relevant policies or requirements of their employing units, need to obtain approval or consent shall complete such approval or consent formalities.

III. Selection Process

(I) Application

Applicants from Hong Kong SAR, Macao SAR, Taiwan Province of China, and overseas (foreign jurisdictions) may submit their applications through the application system (URL: <https://zcyselect.gziac.cn>, click the link below to download the Appendix 3: Guidelines for Application to the 7th Panel of

Arbitrators of Guangzhou Arbitration Commission) or by **email** (**gzacpublic@gzac.org**, click the link below to download the Appendix 4: Application Form for Arbitrators). **Please complete the application before 24:00 on June 15, 2026.**

The Commission does not accept paper application materials.

(II) Comprehensive Evaluation

The Commission will conduct a comprehensive evaluation of the application materials and determine the applicants for the next stage of the selection process based on the evaluation results.

(III) Nomination and Assessment Meeting

The Commission shall, as needed, arrange for applicants who pass the comprehensive evaluation to attend the Nomination and Assessment Meeting. The Commission will comprehensively consider the application materials, the performance in the Nomination and Assessment Meeting, background checks, and the Commission's operational needs to select the list of arbitrators to be appointed.

(IV) Approval of the Roster

The list of proposed arbitrators shall be reviewed by the plenary meeting of the Commission. Upon approval, they shall be appointed as arbitrators of the 7th Panel of the Commission and enrolled in the

7th Roster of Arbitrators.

IV. Other Matters

Applicants shall fill in the information truthfully and ensure that the materials provided are authentic, complete, and accurate. Those not selected in this renewal will not receive a separate reply from the Commission.

The Commission reserves the final right of interpretation regarding matters related to this arbitrator renewal process.

This announcement is hereby made.

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Guangzhou Arbitration Commission

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Appendix 1

Arbitration Law of the People's Republic of China

(Excerpts)

Article 21 Arbitrators appointed by arbitration institutions shall be fair and upright, possess good professional quality, be diligent and conscientious, clean and honest, and adhere to professional ethics.

Article 22 An arbitrator shall meet one of the following requirements:

(1) Having passed the national unified legal professional qualification examination, obtained legal professional qualifications, and engaged in arbitration work for eight years;

(2) Having practiced as a lawyer for eight years;

(3) Having served as a judge or prosecutor for eight years;

(4) Having engaged in legal research or teaching and holding a senior professional title;

(5) Having legal knowledge, engaged in specialized work in law, economic trade, maritime and admiralty, science and technology,

etc., and holding a senior professional title or having equivalent professional proficiency.

Where laws such as the *Supervisors Law of the People's Republic of China*, the *Judges Law of the People's Republic of China*, and the *Public Prosecutors Law of the People's Republic of China* provide that public officials shall not serve as arbitrators concurrently, such provisions shall apply; other public officials serving concurrently as arbitrators shall comply with relevant regulations.

Arbitration institutions may appoint arbitrators from among foreign persons with specialized knowledge in law, economic trade, maritime and admiralty, science and technology, etc.

Appendix 2

Management Rules on Qualification of Arbitrators of Guangzhou Arbitration Commission

(Excerpts)

Article 2 Arbitrators of the Commission shall meet the following conditions:

(1) Satisfy one of the conditions set forth in Article 22 of the *Arbitration Law of the People's Republic of China* (as amended at the 17th Session of the Standing Committee of the 14th National People's Congress on September 12, 2025);

(2) Uphold the leadership of the Chinese Communist Party, abide by laws and regulations, and possess good political quality;

(3) Be devoted to the arbitration cause, fair and upright, possess good professional quality, diligent and conscientious, integrity, and adhere to professional ethics;

(4) Uphold the *Articles of Association* of the Commission and be willing to abide by the *Arbitration Rules*, the *Code of Conduct for Arbitrators*, and other relevant regulations of the Commission;

(5) Be healthy, dedicated, efficiency-oriented, able to guarantee sufficient time and energy to handle arbitration cases, and able to work independently with the information-based case handling system;

(6) Possess good ability to control hearings and draft arbitral award independently;

(7) Master one foreign language;

(8) Other conditions stipulated by the Commission.

Persons from Hong Kong SAR, Macao SAR, and Taiwan Province of China shall firmly uphold the basic state policy of “One Country, Two Systems”, be patriotic and law-abiding, support national unification, and have substantial practical experience in arbitration. Foreign persons shall be friendly to China, have a good reputation, and have practical experience in international arbitration and dispute resolution.

Appendix 3

Guidelines for Application to the 7th Panel of Arbitrators of Guangzhou Arbitration Commission

(For Applicants from Hong Kong SAR, Macao SAR, Taiwan Province of China, and Other Overseas Jurisdictions)

I. Preparations

1. Device: Computer terminal only. Ensure a stable internet connection.

2. Materials: Scanned copies of the following essential documents: **your identity document, a recent ID photo, your highest academic degree and diploma certificates, proof of your eligibility category, etc.** (see “V. Uploading Supporting Materials” for details).

II. Accessing the System

Open your browser and enter the application URL: <https://zcyselect.gziac.cn> (for applicants from Hong Kong SAR, Macao SAR, Taiwan Province of China, and other overseas jurisdictions) to access the application system for the 7th Panel of Arbitrators of Guangzhou Arbitration Commission.

III. Login / Registration

1. For incumbent arbitrators on the 6th Panel: Select password login. Use your arbitrator account of the Commission to log in.

2. For new applicants: Click “Register Now” on the page and follow the prompts to complete account registration.

IV. Completing / Updating Personal Information

1. For incumbent arbitrators on the 6th Panel: The system will automatically match your historical information. Please reconfirm, update, and complete all information as required.

2. For new applicants: Complete each section item by item.

3. The information to be completed includes:

(1) Basic Information: Name, gender, date of birth, nationality, ID number, contact information, correspondence address, social and professional positions, and appointments as arbitrator with other institutions, etc.

(2) Professional Background: Educational background, language proficiency, work history.

(3) Eligibility Category: Fill in the relevant qualification history, upload supporting documents, honors and awards, etc., according to the eligibility category under which you apply.

(4) Areas of Expertise: Select your primary area and secondary sub-specialties, and fill in the relevant experience, representative

cases, research achievements, honors and awards, etc.

V. Uploading Supporting Materials

Upload scanned copies or clear photos as prompted by the system. Ensure the file format and size meet the requirements. The specific materials are as follows:

(I) Basic Materials (Mandatory)

1. Identity Document

(1) Chinese nationals: PDF scan of both sides of your national ID card.

(2) Applicants from Hong Kong SAR, Macao SAR, and Taiwan Province of China: PDF scans of your Mainland Travel Permit for Hong Kong and Macao Residents / Hong Kong Permanent Identity Card / Macao Permanent Identity Card / Mainland Travel Permit for Taiwan Residents / Taiwan Resident Permit (Note: To facilitate subsequent tax and electronic signature processes, applicants from Hong Kong SAR, Macao SAR, and Taiwan Province of China are also requested to upload the Permanent Identity Card and Mainland Travel Permit.)

(3) Foreign nationals / Stateless persons: PDF scans of your passport and, if available, valid proof of residence.

2. Recent one-inch ID photo (hatless).

3. PDF scans of your **highest** academic degree and diploma

certificates and, if applicable, the “Foreign Academic Degree and Diploma Certification” issued by the Chinese Service Center for Scholarly Exchange (CSCSE) under the Ministry of Education.

4. PDF scans of the **document(s) proving your eligibility category** (e.g., former or retired judge/prosecutor, staff of an arbitration institution, law professor, senior lawyer, legal counsel, or professionals in economic and trade, science and technology, etc.).

(II) Supplementary Materials for Professional Qualifications (Optional)

1. Proof of social and professional positions: PDF scans of relevant appointment documents.

2. Appointments as arbitrator with other domestic or overseas arbitration institutions: PDF scans or screenshots of appointment letters or certificates.

3. PDF scans of certificates from previous employers, consent or recommendation letters from your current employer.

4. PDF scans of relevant honors, awards, certificates, professional titles, etc., depending on your eligibility category.

5. PDF scans of supporting documents such as representative case documents, research achievements (papers, monographs, research projects, industry reports) corresponding to your selected primary and secondary areas of expertise, as well as relevant honors,

awards, certificates, and professional titles.

VI. Important Notes

1.To help the Commission better assess your aptitude for arbitration, it is recommended that you fully describe your advantages in your chosen fields (including eligibility category, areas of expertise, region, etc.) and provide representative cases or research achievements for reference.

2.Please carefully verify all information and uploaded materials item by item to ensure they are true and accurate. The system will automatically save your data. If you cannot complete the application in one session, you may continue later by re-entering the arbitrator application page. During the application period, you may withdraw, modify, or supplement your submitted application, but please be sure to confirm submission before the deadline.

3.If you encounter difficulties while completing the application, please check your browser or network connection, or contact the Commission's staff for assistance. Contact for Application Materials: Secretary Yang, 020-83283784; Contact for IT Support: Secretary Zhou, 020-83282175; Email: gzacpublic@gzac.org