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Renee Li is an associate in the firm's Business practice group. She focuses her practice on startups, emerging growth companies, mergers and acquisitions, and general corporate matters. Once an entrepreneur herself, Renee cares about her clients' business needs and priorities and delivers practical solutions for their business and legal issues.

Prior to joining Carney Badley Spellman, Renee worked at a law firm in Beijing advising institutional and individual clients on cross-border investments and tax planning matters. She also worked as the in-house counsel for a Seattle health-tech startup and was deeply involved in operations. During law school, she worked at an international law firm on mergers and acquisitions deals and completed an externship working for the General Counsel at Washington State Department of Financial Institutions. Renee is a native speaker of Mandarin.

**Education**

JD, University of Washington  
School of Law, 2015

King County Bar Foundation  
Scholar 2013-2014

Senior Managing Editor,  
*Washington International Law  
Journal*

MA, University of Warwick,  
2011

MA, University of San  
Francisco, 2009

BA, Nanjing Forestry University,  
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**Bar and Court Admissions**

State of Washington 2019

State of Illinois, 2016

**Professional Associations**

Washington State Bar  
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Seattle Chinese Bar Association