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We Won The Battle: Now What?

Enforcing Foreign Judgments

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Let's Refresh Our Recollection!

- Pre-game decisions.
- Arbitration or Court?
- State or Federal?
- Here or there?
- Subject matter jurisdiction.
- Personal (in personam) jurisdiction.
 - minimum contacts
 - consent
 - service
- Assets, assets, where are the assets?

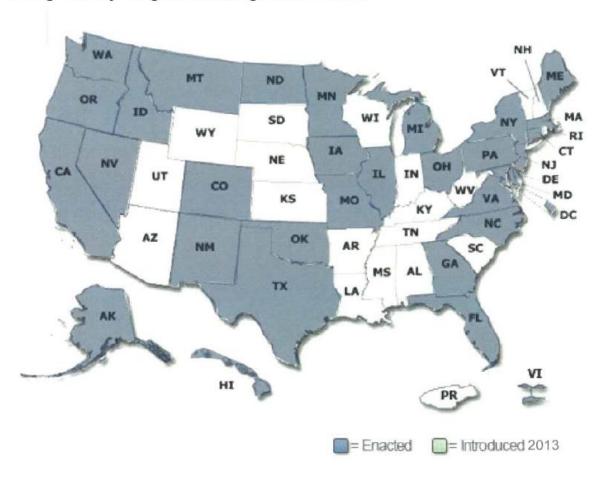
A Brief History

- Hilton v. Guyot Genesis of American law
- Uniform Foreign Money Judgments Recognition Act
- 2005 Revised Uniform Act
- Adoption by States
 - Uniform Act
 - Revised Act
- Reciprocity
- · Osterio v. Dole Lessons to learn

Uniform Act - Adoption

Legislative Enactment Status

Foreign Money Judgments Recognition Act (1962)



Revised Act - Adoption

Legislative Enactment Status

Foreign-Country Money Judgments Recognition Act (2005)



Arbitration, in what nation?

- Short-term considerations
 - Mandatory arbitration Do we have to?
 - Getting a court to enforce an award
 - Limitations on remedies
 - Cheaper?
- Long-term considerations
 - Take it to 'em!
 - Bring it on! Here!
- Conventions
 - NYC Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Award.
 - Panama The Inter-American Convention on International Commercial Arbitration.

The People's Republic of China

- Regulation from Supreme People's Court regarding Handling the Request of Judicial Assistance of Delivery of Judicial Document and of Investigation according to International Convention and Bilateral Judicial Assistance Treaties.
- Reciprocity
- Treaties with various countries.
 - Types: Civil, Commercial, Criminal
 - Limitations
 - "Judicial Assistance only."
 - "Arbitration Awards only."

The People's Republic of China, cont.

- Practical alternatives.
 - New suit
 - Hong Kong and other venues.
- Foreign arbitration awards.
- NY Convention.
- Interim Orders not enforceable.
- Delays.

Taiwan Perspective – What Really Happens!

- LiPu to the rescue!
- At your service assistance with service.
- Judgment enforcement
 - Common law vs. civil law countries.
 - Mutatis mutandis.
 - Damages.
- Taiwanese arbitration laws.

Conclusions

- Preparing for the worst
 - consents to jurisdiction, forum, law
- Once it hits the fan
 - decisions about where to sue
 - where are the assets now?
- Think Primerus first!

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