

Chinese Judgment Enforced in the United States

On August 12, 2009, the United States District Court for the Central District of California issued a judgment enforcing a \$6.5 million dollar Chinese judgment against an American corporate defendant under California's version of the Uniform Foreign Money Judgments Recognition Act. The court's full decision is available [here](#).

This case is unique because it is generally believed that United States courts will not enforce Chinese judgments given the lack of a treaty between the two countries on the issue and given that Chinese courts generally do not enforce United States judgments in China, which limits the argument for reciprocity in the United States. Given this decision, California may become a favorable forum for enforcement of Chinese judgments in the United States.