

# How to Execute a Chinese Contract So It Will Work

A China-centric written contract is an effective tool for doing businesses in or with China, explains **Steve Dickinson** of **Harris Moure** in an article published on the **China Law Blog**.

“A first step in creating this effective tool is to carefully follow the rules for execution,” the explains. “Chinese courts are bureaucratic and formalistic. Make use of that tendency so that you can prevail. Don’t blunt the edge of your instrument with sloppy execution procedures. A casual approach to execution is neither appropriate nor effective for China. A failure to follow China contract law formalities can lead to a Chinese court not enforcing your contract.”

“Chinese courts are hyper-technical when working with written documents. If there is any surface flaw, a party will object to the authenticity of the document and then force the party offering the document to prove its authenticity,” he writes in the article.

**Read the article.**