

## **On the Conflicts between the Chinese and Foreign Judges in the Trials at the Mixed Court of the International Settlement in Shanghai**

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### **Abstract**

The judges of the Mixed Court of the International Settlement in Shanghai included Chinese Magistrates and non-Chinese Assessors. During the 63 years of the history of the Mixed Court (1864-1927), the interactions between the Chinese and non-Chinese judges had ups and downs and never lacked complexity. They never really came to terms with each other in their trial practices despite a seemingly harmonious ambience all the way through. The causes of their conflicts were complex and to a large extent derived from the clashes between Chinese and western legal values, some underlying profound social-political reasons and the difference in the personality traits of the judges.

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