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From 1996 to 2009, he worked as Clerk, Deputy Head, Head in the computer division of the trademark office of SAIC. In 1997, the trademark office started the implementation of Phase II of the trademark automation system. He was responsible for the technology work as the technical director of party A in this project. The system was greatly enhanced with the capability of the paperless processing for trademark registration and examination

After this Phase II, he began his next project of revising Trademark Law of PRC for the purpose of China to join WTO. As the leader, he was responsible for automation engineering for the project.

In 2003, Phase III started building the trademark automation system. He led the project as the software director of party A. The key objective of this phase was to build the public service based on the internal examination system which was enabled in Phase I and Phase II. And the trademark automation system was also rebuilt in this phase based on the revision of the Trademark Law.

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