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Akiko Kimura is an of counsel principally handling international finance matters, mergers and acquisitions, and general corporate affairs. She has been involved in a wide range of public offerings and private placements of shares, bonds and other securities by Japanese companies overseas, and by supranational organizations, foreign governments and foreign private entities in Japan. She has also acted as legal advisor in connection with the privatization of foreign and Japanese governmental institutions, as well as initial public offerings by foreign and Japanese companies. She has been involved in the demutualization of a Japanese life insurance company and in the acquisition by a Japanese company of a foreign company through exchange of shares, each of which was the first of transaction of its kind in Japan. She also handles a wide variety of corporate transactions, such as mergers and acquisitions, partnerships, joint ventures and licensing arrangements.

Practice Areas

Corporate

Corporate and Commercial Transactions

Capital Markets

Topics

Achievements

Apr 18, 2024

The Best Lawyers in Japan™ • Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in Japan™ (2025 Edition)

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Achievements

Apr 14, 2022

Best Lawyers 2023

Practice Groups

Corporate Transaction Group

Capital Markets Group

Mar 1971	Kyoto University (LL.B.)
Apr 1971 - Apr 1973	The Legal Training and Research Institute of the Supreme Court of Japan
Apr 1973	Joined Nishimura Komatsu & Tomotsune (currently Anderson Mori & Tomotsune)
Jan 1977	Partner of Nishimura Komatsu & Tomotsune (currently Anderson Mori & Tomotsune)
Jun 1978	Harvard Law School (LL.M.)
Jan 1979 - Aug 1979	Associated with Cravath, Swaine & Moore, New York
Oct 1997 - Dec 2000	Member of the Council on Foreign Exchange and Other Transactions of the Ministry of Finance of Japan
Jan 2001 - Dec 2006	Member of the Council on Customs Duties, Foreign Exchange and Other Transactions of the Ministry of Finance of Japan
Aug 2010 -	Member of the Study Group to Vitalize the Corporate Bond Market, as sponsored by the Securities Dealers Association of Japan
Jan 2011	Of-Counsel of Anderson Mori & Tomotsune
Apr 2011 - Jan 2016	Member of the Medical Ethics Committee and the Clinical Research Committee of Tokyo Yamate Medical Center
Jun 2012 - Aug 2020	Member of the Audit and Supervisory Board (Outside) of Fuji Electric Co., Ltd.
Apr 2013 - Mar 2019	Member of the Certified Public Accountants and Auditing Oversight Board of the Financial Services Agency of Japan
Jun 2014 - Jun 2018	Member of the Audit and Supervisory Board (Outside) of Daiichi Sankyo Company, Limited
Jun 2015 - Mar 2024	Member of the Board of Directors (Outside) of Nomura Asset Management Co., Ltd.

Publications

POWL and recent legal developments in Japan

Oct 2005

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Apr 20, 2023	The Best Lawyers in Japan™ 2024
Apr 14, 2022	Best Lawyers 2023
Apr 15, 2021	Best Lawyers 2022
Apr 9, 2020	Best Lawyers 2021
Apr 4, 2019	Best Lawyers 2020
Nov 29, 2017	The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2018
Nov 20, 2014	The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2015
Nov 13, 2013	The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2014
Mar 21, 2013	Chambers Global 2013
Mar 4, 2013	Chambers Asia 2013
Nov 30, 2012	The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2013
Jul 17, 2012	Best Lawyers 2012
Mar 25, 2012	Chambers Global 2012
Feb 24, 2012	Chambers Asia 2012
Dec 13, 2011	The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2012
Oct 17, 2011	IFLR 1000 2012
Mar 28, 2011	Chambers Asia 2011
Dec 8, 2010	Legal 500 2010/2011
Sep 14, 2010	Best Lawyers 2010
Jul 30, 2010	Chambers Asia 2010

May 29, 2009	ALB Japan Law Awards 2009
Dec 2, 2008	Legal500 2008/2009
Dec 2, 2008	Chambers Asia 2009
Jun 21, 2006	ALB Japan Law Awards 2006

Professional Admissions

Japan (1973)

Professional and Academic Associations

Dai-ichi Tokyo Bar Association

Languages

Japanese (first language)	English
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