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Atsutoshi Maeda is a partner at Anderson Mori & Tomotsune who has been engaged in an extensive range of legal matters. In particular, he has provided general corporate advice on issues regarding various commercial laws, employment laws and compliance problems, as well as negotiated contracts in a broad range of industries and tackled disputes for domestic and overseas clients. Given the unique nature of Japanese business culture and legal and contract frameworks that are distinct from western practices, Mr. Maeda always clarifies what non-Japanese clients can expect and should not expect from contract negotiation, semi-contentious discussions, employment issues and/or with the handling of transactions. As such, for international clients, he always aims to demystify Japanese law and local market practice.



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Practice Areas

Key Practice Areas

Corporate

Establishing a Business Presence in

Corporate and Commercial Transactions Japan

M&A

Private

M&A/Business Restructuring

Equity/Funds

Cross-border M&A

Finance and Financial Institutions

Financial

Structured

Banking Regulation

Finance

Real Estate

Real Estate

Real Estate

Transactions

Investment

International Practice	United Kingdom	United States	EU	Other ASEAN countries	Africa
	Other				
	Jurisdictions				
Labor and Employment	Labor and Employment Law		Labor and Employment		
	Compliance		Disputes		
Dispute Resolution				Labor and Employment	
	International Litigation and Cross-Border Disputes			Disputes	

Related Practice Areas

Labor and Employment	Labor and Employment Law
	Compliance
Intellectual Property/TMT	IP Licensing and Transactions
Dispute Resolution	General Commercial Litigation

Topics

Achievements Apr 20, 2023	The Best Lawyers in Japan™ 2024
Achievements Apr 14, 2022	Best Lawyers 2023
Achievements Feb 18, 2022	Chambers Global 2022

Practice Groups

Corporate Transaction Group	Structured Finance Group	Financial Services & Transactions Group
Asia and Emerging Countries		

Background

Mar 1998	The University of Tokyo (LL.B.)
Apr 1998 - Mar 2000	The Legal Training and Research Institute of the Supreme Court of Japan
Apr 2000	Dai-ni Tokyo Bar Association/Join AMT
Sep 2004 - Dec 2005	Graduate study, University College London (LL.M.)
Sep 2005 - Jun 2006	Associated with Herbert Smith (currently, Herbert Smith Freehills), London office
Nov 2013 - Dec 2021	Representative of Singapore Office
Apr 2017 - Mar 2018	Part-time Lecturer, Keio University, Law School
Oct 2017 - Mar 2018	Part-time Lecturer, Kobe University, Law School
Sep 2022 -	Representative of London Office

Publications

New Movement on Dispute Resolution in Singapore – Establishment of Singapore International Commercial Court (SICC)	Dec 2016
Business Lawyers website	
Matters to be Noted upon Expansion and Establishing a Company in Singapore	Nov 2016
Business Lawyers website	
Establishment of SICC and Relevant Legal Issues (Part 2)	Nov 2015
Kokusai Shoji Homu Vol.43 No.11	
Establishment of SICC and Relevant Legal Issues (Part 1)	Oct 2015
Kokusai Shoji Homu Vol.43 No.10	
Guide to lending and taking security in Asia Pacific (Japan Chapter)	May 2014
Getting the Deal Through – Outsourcing 2014 (Japan Chapter)	Dec 2013
Getting the Deal Through - Outsourcing 2014	
Document Retention: An International Review (Japan Chapter)	Nov 2013
Herbert Smith Freehills	
Q&A: Strategies for Corporate Law Practice in Asia and Emerging Countries	Apr 2013
Shoji Homu	
Have recent corporate scandals fuelled the resolve for corporate governance reforms in Japan?	Dec 2012
Clawback of Security in Insolvency Guide	Sep 2012
The Energy Regulation and Markets Review (Japan Chapter)	Jun 2012
The Energy Regulation and Markets Review	
Japan: Stake-building in the mysterious country	Apr 2012
The 2012 guide to Mergers and Acquisitions	
Alternative Corporate Re-engineering (Japan Chapter)	Nov 2011
European Lawyer Reference Series 2011	
Who will compensate for damages arising from the Fukushima Nuclear Crisis ?and when will these damages be determined?	Oct 2011
Power Law (Newsletter of the IBA Legal Practice Division)	

Lectures

Responsibility of Directors and Officers in Singapore	Sompo Insurance Singapore Pte. Ltd.	Nov 17, 26, 2020
TPP11 and Asian Business Strategies	Anderson Mori & Tomotsune Osaka Office	Mar 29, 2019
TPP11 and Asian Business Strategies	Anderson Mori & Tomotsune Nagoya Office	Mar 22, 2019
TPP11 and Asian Business Strategies	Anderson Mori & Tomotsune	Feb 19, 2019
Basics and Recent Movement on Dispute Resolution in Singapore	Anderson Mori & Tomotsune	Nov 1, 2016
Investing in ASEAN Changes & Legal Updates	Anderson Mori & Tomotsune, ZICO	Oct 20, 2016
Recent Movement on Dispute Resolution in Singapore	Anderson Mori & Tomotsune	Jun 13 - 14, 2016
Joint Legal and Property Committee - FDI Flows between ASEAN and Japan		Jun 27, 2014
Ray White Commercial Tokyo 2009 Study Tour		Sep 16, 2009
ALB In-House Legal Summit		May 28, 2009

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Apr 20, 2023	The Best Lawyers in Japan™ 2024
Apr 14, 2022	Best Lawyers 2023
Feb 18, 2022	Chambers Global 2022
Apr 15, 2021	Best Lawyers 2022
Feb 19, 2021	Chambers Global 2021
Apr 9, 2020	Best Lawyers 2021
Feb 14, 2020	Chambers Global 2020
Sep 19, 2019	Asialaw Profiles 2020
Apr 4, 2019	Best Lawyers 2020
Feb 14, 2019	Chambers Global 2019
Nov 9, 2018	Asialaw Profiles 2019
May 14, 2018	Asialaw Leading Lawyers 2018
Feb 16, 2018	Chambers Global 2018
Mar 17, 2017	Chambers Global 2017
Mar 18, 2016	Chambers Global 2016
Mar 13, 2015	Chambers Global 2015
Mar 14, 2014	Chambers Global 2014
Mar 21, 2013	Chambers Global 2013
Mar 4, 2013	Chambers Asia 2013
Mar 25, 2012	Chambers Global 2012
Feb 24, 2012	Chambers Asia 2012
Mar 28, 2011	Chambers Asia 2011
Jul 30, 2010	Chambers Asia 2010

Professional Admissions

Japan (2000)
Singapore Academy of Law (2015 - 2022)

Professional and Academic Associations

Daini Tokyo Bar Association

Languages

Japanese (first
language)

English