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Yoshikazu Iwase joined Anderson Mori & Tomotsune after working with an intellectual property firm in Tokyo for three years. His litigation experience involves a number of patent infringement trials and revocation suits against the trial decisions of the Japanese Patent Office concerning patentability/validity of patents over various technologies. He has also been involved with a wide range of trademark/trade dress and copyright infringement suits, licensing and IP assets transfer transactions, and dispute resolution. Mr. Iwase has provided a wide range of advice regarding U.S. patent infringement issues in Japan. His experience also includes drafting and negotiating licensing, patent and various intellectual property transfer agreements, transactions and due diligence of intellectual property in the course of M&A deals.

Practice Areas

Intellectual Property/TMT

IP Licensing and Transactions	Trademark/Design Prosecution	Patent Prosecution
Copyright and Entertainment	Health Care, Pharmaceutical and Life Science	
IT and Telecommunications law and Regulation	IP Disputes	
Corporate and Commercial Transactions		

Corporate

International Practice

United States	EU	Korea	Other ASEAN countries	Other Jurisdictions
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Topics

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Feb 15, 2024

Chambers Global 2024

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Jan 17, 2024

The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2024

Practice Groups

Intellectual Property Law Group Life Science Chemical Practice Team

Background

Mar1995 The University of Tokyo, Faculty of Law (LL.B.)
Apr 1997 The Legal Training and Research Institute of the Supreme Court of Japan
 (LL.M.)
May 2003 The University of California, Berkeley, School of Law (LL.M.)
Sep 2003 - Nov 2004 Associated at Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett & Dunner

Publications

Legal Matters regarding Life Sciences and Health Care - Navigation regarding Regulations, Intellectual Properties and Corporate Oct 2020
Matters (Second Edition) Shojihomu Co., Ltd.

Pharmaceutical IP and competition law in Japan: overview Practical Law Global Guides Mar 2018

Getting the Deal Through - Life Sciences 2015 (Japan Chapter) Getting the Deal Through - Life Sciences 2015 Mar 2015

Getting the Deal Through - Life Sciences 2011 (Japan Chapter) Getting the Deal Through - Life Sciences 2011 Apr 2011

Getting the Deal Through - Life Sciences 2010 (Japan Chapter) Getting the Deal Through - Life Sciences 2010 Dec 2009

Passing judgment on Japan's IP court Mar 2008

Intellectual Property Rights in M&A Transactions Oct 2006

Lectures

Recent developments in trademark protection in the Japanese food industry (including recent Supreme Court decision for regional Apr 16, 2012
collective trademarks) co-organized by AIPLA-JTA

Recent IP High Court cases on business model and system related patents Licensing Executive Society(LES), Japan Chapter: May 14, 2010
Monthly Seminar

The Situation in Each Country Concerning Monetary Damages in Patent and Trademark Infringement Cases Jul 4 - 6, 2008

Rethinking Your Licensing Practices: Japan IP and Competition Law Sep 15, 2005

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Dec 14, 2023 Chambers Asia-Pacific 2024
Oct 4, 2023 Who's Who Legal: Japan 2023
Sep 14, 2023 asialaw 2023-24
May 5, 2023 Benchmark Litigation Asia-Pacific 2023
Apr 20, 2023 The Best Lawyers in Japan™ 2024
Feb 16, 2023 Chambers Global 2023
Jan 11, 2023 The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2023
Dec 15, 2022 Chambers Asia-Pacific 2023
Sep 22, 2022 Who's Who Legal: Japan 2022
Sep 16, 2022 Asialaw Profiles 2023
Apr 14, 2022 Best Lawyers 2023
May 2022 Benchmark Litigation Asia-Pacific 2022
Feb 18, 2022 Chambers Global 2022

Jan 13, 2022	The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2022
Dec 16, 2021	Chambers Asia-Pacific 2022
Oct 9, 2021	Who's Who Legal: Japan 2021
Sep 17, 2021	Asialaw Profiles 2022
May 10, 2021	Benchmark Litigation Asia-Pacific 2021
Apr 15, 2021	Best Lawyers 2022
Feb 19, 2021	Chambers Global 2021
Jan 13, 2021	The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2021
Dec 15, 2020	Chambers Asia-Pacific 2021
Sep 17, 2020	Asialaw Profiles 2021
Sep 1, 2020	Who's Who Legal: Japan 2020
Jun,11 2020	IAM Patent 1000 - 2020 Edition
May 7, 2020	Benchmark Litigation Asia-Pacific 2020
Apr 9, 2020	Best Lawyers 2021
Feb 14, 2020	Chambers Global 2020
Jan 20, 2020	The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2020
Dec 6, 2019	Chambers Asia-Pacific 2020
Nov 29, 2019	Who's Who Legal: Japan 2019
Sep 19, 2019	Asialaw Profiles 2020
Apr 4, 2019	Best Lawyers 2020
Feb 14, 2019	Chambers Global 2019
Jan 17, 2019	The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2019
Nov 30, 2018	Chambers Asia 2019
Nov 9, 2018	Asialaw Profiles 2019
Nov 7, 2018	Who's Who Legal: Japan 2018
May 14, 2018	Asialaw Leading Lawyers 2018
Feb 16, 2018	Chambers Global 2018
Dec 7, 2017	Chambers Asia 2018
Nov 29, 2017	The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2018
Nov 13, 2017	Asialaw Profiles 2018
Nov 2, 2017	Who's Who Legal: Japan 2017
Aug 2, 2017	Asialaw Leading Lawyers 2017
Mar 17, 2017	Chambers Global 2017
Jan 13, 2017	Chambers Asia 2017
Nov 10, 2016	The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2017
Nov 2, 2016	Who's Who Legal: Japan 2016
Mar 18, 2016	Chambers Global 2016
Feb 9, 2016	Chambers Asia 2016
Nov 13, 2015	The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2016
Mar 13, 2015	Chambers Global 2015
Feb 13, 2015	Chambers Asia 2015
Nov 20, 2014	The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2015
Mar 14, 2014	Chambers Global 2014
Feb 18, 2014	Chambers Asia 2014
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
Mar 25, 2012	Chambers Global 2012
Feb 24, 2012	Chambers Asia 2012
Dec 13, 2011	The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2012
Dec 2, 2008	Chambers Asia 2009
Dec 2, 2008	Legal500 2008/2009

Japan (1997)
Japan Patent Attorneys (2005)

Professional and Academic Associations

Daini Tokyo Bar Association
The Japan Patent Attorneys Association (2000 - 2002 and 2005 - present)
International Trademark Association (2004 - present)
Japan Trademark Association (2004 - present)
AIPPI JAPAN (2005 - present)
LES JAPAN (2005 - present)

Languages

Japanese (first language)	English
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