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Yusuke Nakano is a partner at Anderson Mori & Tomotsune, with broad experience in the areas of antitrust, business dispute resolution, mergers and acquisitions, and intellectual property. In the antitrust area, he has particularly broad experience in cartel investigation and merger control, including international ones. Further, Mr. Nakano has assisted many Japanese companies and individuals involved in antitrust cases in foreign jurisdictions, in close cooperation with co-counsel in those jurisdictions. He has also represented various companies in administrative, civil and criminal litigation, mass and complex litigation, innovative mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, and licensing arrangements. In addition to his professional experience at Anderson Mori & Tomotsune, Mr. Nakano worked for the New York law firm of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, as a foreign intern (2001 to 2002).

Practice Areas

Competition/Antitrust	International Cartels and Leniency	Merger Control	Dominance and other Unilateral Conduct
	Interplay of IP and Competition Law	Distribution and Other Competition Law Matters	
	Competition-Related Litigation	Competition Compliance	
M&A			Private
	M&A/Business Restructuring	Joint Ventures	Business Alliances
	Hostile Takeovers	Cross-border M&A	Equity/Funds
Government Investigations and Crisis Management	Internal investigations and organizing third-party committees		Anti-bribery regulations
	Corporate criminal defense		
Dispute Resolution	General Commercial Litigation	International Litigation and Cross-Border Disputes	IP Disputes
	Tax Litigation and Dispute Resolution	Administrative Disputes	Franchise Disputes
	Competition-Related Litigation	Consumer-related Disputes	Trade Secret Disputes
Corporate	Corporate and Commercial Transactions	Corporate Governance	
International Practice	United States	EU	
Intellectual Property/TMT		Copyright and	
	IP Licensing and Transactions	Entertainment	
	Health Care, Pharmaceutical and Life Science	IT and Telecommunications law and Regulation	

Achievements Apr 18, 2024	The Best Lawyers in Japan™ • Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in Japan™ (2025 Edition)
Articles Mar 2024	Competition Inspections in 25 Jurisdictions - Japan Chapter
Achievements Jan 17, 2024	The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2024

Practice Groups

Corporate Transaction Group	Dispute Resolution Group	Intellectual Property Law Group
Competition Law Group	Corporate Crisis Management Practice Group	Data Privacy & Digital Group

Background

Mar 1994	The University of Tokyo (LL.B.)
Jun 2001	Harvard Law School (LL.M.)
Jul 2021	Representative Director, Competition Law Study Group, Daini Tokyo Bar Association
Jan 2022	Regional Ambassador for Japan (ICC Global Competition Commission)

Publications

Competition Inspections in 25 Jurisdictions - Japan Chapter	Competition Inspections in 25 Jurisdictions - A Practitioner's Guide	Mar 2024
Market Intelligence - Merger Control 2023 - Japan	LEXOLOGY Getting The Deal Through : Market Intelligence	Dec 2023
Lexology Getting The Deal Through – Intellectual Property & Antitrust 2024 (Japan Chapter)	Lexology Getting The Deal Through – Intellectual Property & Antitrust 2024	Nov 2023
ICC Conference on Antitrust Enforcement in Tokyo dated 21 July 2023	Kosei Torihiki, No. 877	Nov 2023
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Global report on antitrust enforcement in the digital economy (Japan chapter)	Global report on antitrust enforcement in the digital economy	Sep 2023
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Competition Inspections in 21 Jurisdictions - Japan Chapter	Competition Inspections in 21 Jurisdictions - A Practitioner's Guide	Mar 2022
Japanese Anti-monopoly Act - Annotated (Edition 2)	KOUBUNDOU Publishers Inc.	Feb 2022
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Introduction to Japanese Business Law & Practice Fifth Edition	Anderson Mori & Tomotsune	Nov 2021
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Issuance by the Federal Trade Commission of the U.S. of Statement of Principles Regarding 'Unfair Methods of Competition'	Kosei Torihiki, No. 782	Dec 2015
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Commentary on Anti-Monopoly Act	Dai-ichi Hoki	Jul 2014
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Explanatory Notes for a Tokyo High Court judgment where a decision of the JFTC to impose surcharges on four entrepreneurs was revoked and imposition of surcharges was completely negated (Tokyo High Court Judgment issued on March 19, 2010)	Jurist No. 1403	Jul 2010
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18th Annual Transnational Crime Conference	IBA (International Bar Association)	May 7, 2015
"Sir, please step out of line" - Extraterritoriality and Extradition in the Antitrust Context	Global Competition Review	Feb 6, 2015
Around the (cartel) world in 80 ways: what to expect when dealing with diverse jurisdictions	IBA	Oct 21, 2014
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International Cartels: Investigation and cooperation among authorities and (limits for) assessing effects worldwide	Global Competition Review	Feb 15, 2011
Practical Issues regarding Antitrust Law in Japan, the United States and Europe	Anderson Mori & Tomotsune	Oct 1, 2006
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Jan 20, 2020	The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2020
Dec 6, 2019	Chambers Asia-Pacific 2020
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Professional and Academic Associations

Daini Tokyo Bar Association
Competition Law Forum
American Bar Association
International Bar Association
Inter Pacific Bar Association

Languages

Japanese (first language)	English
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