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Kunihiko Morishita works primarily in the fields of domestic and international banking, securities and asset management. He has been named as a leading lawyer by several publications including the International Financial Law Review and Chambers' "The World's Leading Lawyers", and is a member of the Financial Law Board, an influential advisory body regarding financial law matters sponsored by the Bank of Japan. Mr. Morishita has extensive experience in representing financial institutions, including investment management companies, before the Financial Services Agency and other Japanese regulatory authorities. He regularly advises a number of multinational financial institutions, located within and outside of Japan, in relation to regulatory issues in the fields of securities, trusts, insurance and asset management.

Practice Areas

Finance and Financial Institutions

Financial
Banking Regulation
Financial Technology (FinTech)

Asset Management and Investment

Funds

Insurance

Topics

Media

Oct 2024

Latest updates on legislative changes for the digitization of bills of lading

Achievements

Sep 27, 2024

Who's Who Legal: Japan 2024

Others

May 2024

Japan Legal Update : Introduction of an "Attenuated Type 1 License" for the marketing of foreign investment funds

Practice Groups

Financial Services & Transactions Group

Background

Mar 1981 The University of Tokyo (LL.B.)
Mar 1993 The University of Tokyo (LL.M.)

Publications

Latest updates on legislative changes for the digitization of bills of lading Shojihomu PORTAL Oct 2024

Japan Legal Update : Introduction of an "Attenuated Type 1 License" for the marketing of foreign investment funds May 2024

Japan Legal Update : Recent Amendments to the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act and to the Act Concerning Investment Trusts and Investment Corporations May 2024

Legal500 - Environmental, Social and Governance | Japan Chapter Legal500 - Environmental, Social and Governance | Japan Chapter May 2024

Law and Practice - Investment Funds 2024 / Japan Chambers and Partners - Global Practice Guide (Investment Funds 2024 / Japan) Feb 2024

Financial Services Compliance Lexology PANORAMIC Jan 2024

Trends and Developments Chambers and Partners - Global Practice Guide (Investment Funds 2022 / Japan) Feb 2022

Trends and Developments Chambers and Partners - Global Practice Guide (Investment Funds 2021 / Japan) Feb 2021

Trends and Developments Chambers and Partners - Global Practice Guide (Investment Funds 2020 / Japan) Feb 2020

Trends and Developments Chambers and Partners - Global Practice Guide (Investment Funds 2019 / Japan) Mar 2019

Introduction to Japanese Business Law & Practice Third Edition Anderson Mori & Tomotsune Sep 2017

The Legal Nature of Insurance Contracts (Japan Chapter) The Legal Nature of Insurance Contracts Nov 2013

The Emergence and Evolution of Law Firms in Japan Shoji Houmu Nov 2011

Securities World - third edition (Japan Chapter) European Lawyer Jun 2011

Investing Across Borders 2010 Sep 2010

Impact of Japanese prospectus reform on foreign investment trusts Aug 2010

Lectures

Global Equity Incentive Webinar: Issues on Legal and Taxation of Global Equity Compensation under Japanese law Global Shares Nov 17, 2022

[Symposium] "The Present and Future of Fund Settlement Legislation" Japan Association of the Law of Finance Oct 15, 2022

Equity Incentive Seminar for UK subsidiaries of Japanese Companies Global Shares Nov 12, 2020

Global Equity Incentive WEB Seminar Global Shares Nov 6, 2020

Asia Roadshow ALFI (Association of the Luxembourg Fund Industry) Dec 9, 2019

Cryptocurrencies and their place in the Alternative Investment Fund Market AIMA (Alternative Investment Management Association) Mar 15, 2018

Inaugural Asia-based International Financial Law Conference: West meets East IBA (International Bar Association) Feb 28 - Mar 1, 2013

ALB In-House Legal Summit May 28, 2009

Achievements

Sep 27, 2024	Who's Who Legal: Japan 2024
Apr 18, 2024	The Best Lawyers in Japan™ • Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in Japan™ (2025 Edition)
Feb 15, 2024	Chambers Global 2024
Jan 17, 2024	The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2024
Dec 14, 2023	Chambers Asia-Pacific 2024
Oct 4, 2023	Who's Who Legal: Japan 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
Apr 14, 2022	Best Lawyers 2023
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
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 1, 2020	Who's Who Legal: Japan 2020
Jul 21, 2020	The A-List: Japan's Top 100 Lawyers
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
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 7, 2018	Who's Who Legal: Japan 2018
Feb 16, 2018	Chambers Global 2018
Dec 7, 2017	Chambers Asia 2018
Nov 2, 2017	Who's Who Legal: Japan 2017
Mar 17, 2017	Chambers Global 2017
Jan 13, 2017	Chambers Asia 2017
Nov 2, 2016	Who's Who Legal: Japan 2016
Mar 18, 2016	Chambers Global 2016
Feb 9, 2016	Chambers Asia 2016
Sep 1, 2015	Who's Who Legal: Japan 2015
Mar 13, 2015	Chambers Global 2015
Feb 13, 2015	Chambers Asia 2015
Oct 30, 2014	Who's Who Legal: Japan 2014
Mar 14, 2014	Chambers Global 2014
Feb 18, 2014	Chambers Asia 2014
Mar 21, 2013	Chambers Global 2013
Mar 4, 2013	Chambers Asia 2013
Feb 5, 2013	ALB's Client Choice Hot 75
Jul 17, 2012	Best Lawyers 2012
Mar 25, 2012	Chambers Global 2012
Feb 24, 2012	Chambers Asia 2012
Mar 28, 2011	Chambers Asia 2011

Sep 14, 2010

Best Lawyers 2010

Dec 2, 2008

Chambers Asia 2009

Dec 2, 2008

Legal500 2008/2009

Professional Admissions

Japan (1986)

Professional and Academic Associations

Daini Tokyo Bar Association

Languages

Japanese (first
language)

English