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Takao Shojima has substantial experience in domestic and cross-border mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures and alliances, corporate restructuring, takeover bids, company split, and private equity investments. Based on his experience in an Australian law firm when he mainly engaged in international transactions and cross-border investments, Takao advises Japanese clients expanding its business overseas and foreign clients entering into the Japanese market. Takao also deals with project finance and other financial transactions as well as energy and natural resources.

### Practice Areas

#### M&A

M&A/Business Restructuring Joint Ventures Business Alliances Venture  
Private Capital

#### Corporate

Equity/Funds Hostile Takeovers Cross-border M&A  
Corporate and Commercial Transactions Corporate Governance  
Shareholders' Meetings and Relationships with  
Shareholders Shareholder Activism  
Support for Start-ups Establishing a Business Presence in

#### Labor and Employment

Corporate Disputes Japan  
Labor and Employment Issues Associated with Corporate  
Restructuring  
Executive (Board Members and Auditors) Labor and Employment Law  
Issues Compliance

#### Intellectual Property/TMT

Copyright and IT and Telecommunications law and  
Entertainment Regulation

#### Competition/Antitrust

Merger Control

#### Dispute Resolution

General Commercial Litigation Companies Act related Disputes

#### International Practice

Other  
United States EU Australia Jurisdictions

### Topics

Articles  
Dec 2020

Cross-Border Joint Venture and Strategic Alliance Guide (Japan)

Media  
Apr 2020

What is Squeeze-out? Schemes, steps and points.

AMT Seminars  
Mar 1, 2019

Business Succession by M&A

## Practice Groups

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Corporate Transaction Group

## Background

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Mar 2001      The University of Tokyo (LL.B.)  
Oct 2005      The Legal Training and Research Institute of the Supreme Court of  
                    Japan  
May 2011      Graduate study, University of Southern California (LL.M.)  
Sep 2011 - Mar 2013    Associated with Clayton Utz, Brisbane

## Publications

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Cross-Border Joint Venture and Strategic Alliance Guide (Japan)    Lexis Nexis website      Dec 2020  
What is Squeeze-out? Schemes, steps and points.    Jigyō Shōkei Sōgō Center, Professional's column      Apr 2020  
Japan: Cross-Border Joint Venture and Strategic Alliance Guide    Lexis Nexis website      Jun 2017  
Recent Legal Precedents to be Noted for Minimizing Risks of M&A    Business Lawyers website      Jul 2016  
Establishing a business in Japan - Practical Law Global Guide 2016    Practical Law Company      Mar 2016  
Latest Legal Practice Based on Material Cases - M&A    Business Legal Affairs, Vol.16 No.2      Dec 2015  
Changes in Finance/M&A Practice under the amended Companies Act    Chuokeizai-sha      Jun 2015  
Electricity system reform    IBA      Sep 2013  
The Corporate Governance in Foreign Countries - Australia    Gekkan Kansayaku, Vol.616      Jul 2013  
Not Just a Reputational Risk - Handling Product Liability Issues in Light of Recent Judgments    Business Legal Affairs, Vol.8 No.11      Sep 2008

## Lectures

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Business Succession by M&A    Anderson Mori & Tomotsune, Nagoya Office      Mar 1, 2019  
Legal Issues on Business Succession M&A    Financial Management Forums, Inc.      Jul 19, 2017

## Professional Admissions

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Japan (2005)  
New York (2012)

## Professional and Academic Associations

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Daini Tokyo Bar Association

## Languages

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Japanese (first  
language)

English