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Zentaro Nihei, a partner in Anderson Mori's financial restructuring and insolvency group, specializes in complex restructuring and insolvency/bankruptcy and special situation investing. He regularly represents hedge funds, private equity funds and other distressed investors in matters, including those of a cross-border nature, relating to both in- and out-of-court restructurings, distressed mergers & acquisitions and other distressed financing. He is also experienced in representing secured creditors' committees, trustees and other parties advising on asset recovery and the taking and enforcement of securities.

Practice Areas

Restructuring/Insolvency and Bankruptcy

M&A

Dispute Resolution

Intellectual Property/TMT

International Practice

Corporate

General Commercial Litigation

IP Licensing and Transactions

Corporate and Commercial Transactions

Topics

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Practice Groups

Background

Mar 2003	Kyoto University, Bachelor of Laws
May 2011	Duke University School of Law, Master of Laws

Publications

Corporate Turnarounds in the U.S., Europe, and Singapore	SHOJIHOMU, Ltd.	Apr 2023
Guide on Conducting an Out-of-Court Workout in Asia	Asian Business Law Institute, International Insolvency Institute	Mar 2023
Case Studies regarding "Guidelines for Business Revitalization of Small and Medium-sized Enterprises, etc."	Chuokezai-sha	Oct 2022
Guide on the Treatment of Insolvent Micro and Small Enterprises in Asia	Asian Business Law Institute, International Insolvency Institute	Apr 2022
Overview of preventive restructuring framework (EU Directive 2019/1023) and status of operation in member countries (ii)	NBL1212 (2022.2.15)	Feb 2022
Overview of preventive restructuring framework (EU Directive 2019/1023) and status of operation in member countries (i)	NBL1211 (2022.2.1)	Feb 2022
Restructuring and insolvency in Japan: overview	Practical Law -A Thomson Reuters Legal Solution	Mar 2021
The Dynamics of Constructivists activities in Japan and Practical Notes	Shoji Homu Vol.2249	Dec 2020
Corporate Restructuring & Insolvency in Asia 2020		Jul 2020
U.S. Contracts: Basic Principles and Practice	DAI-HCHI HOKI CO., LTD.	Jun 2018
Essential Points of Japan M&A Practice (Second Edition)	Shoji Homu Co., Ltd.	Jun 2018
2017: Insolvency & Corporate Reorganisation Report: Japan	IFLR Website	Apr 2017
Restructuring and insolvency in Japan: overview	Practical Law -A Thomson Reuters Legal Solution	Dec 2016
The Role of Japanese Government-Backed Funds in Financial Restructurings	Norton Journal of Bankruptcy Law and Practice Volume 25, Number 5	Dec 2016
U.S. Contracts: Basic Principles and Practice	LexisNexis Japan Co., Ltd.	Oct 2016
Japan's Government-Backed Rehabilitation Funds Taking Stock of Over a Decade of Company Restructurings	International Insolvency Institute NextGen Program website, 2016	Jun 2016
2016: Insolvency & Corporate Reorganisation Report: Japan	IFLR Website	May 2016
Important Points on Non-Disclosure Agreement	Lexis AS ONE	Jun 2015
Essential Points of Japan M&A Practice	Shoji Homu	May 2015

Lectures

13th East Asia Symposium on Business Restructuring & Insolvency Law and Practice & Restructuring	The East Asian Association of Insolvency	Nov 5-6, 2022
Corporate Turnarounds in the U.S., Europe, and Singapore – Analysis of Overseas Trends with Particular Focus on Debt Governance	Japanese Association for Business Recovery (JABR)	May 28, 2022
Review of the 2021 Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders and Points of Measures for the 2022 General Meeting of Shareholders – based on recent trends such as CG Code amendment, TSE market segment reform, ESG investment—	Anderson Mori & Tomotsune Osaka Office	Sep 13, 2021
Review of the 2020 Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders and Points of Measures for the 2021 General Meeting of Shareholders – based on COVID-19 pandemic and new trends of activist shareholders—	Anderson Mori & Tomotsune Osaka Office	Aug 27, 2020
Review of the 2019 Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders and Points of Measures for the 2020 General Meeting of Shareholders – based on trends of activist shareholders and institutional investors—	Anderson Mori & Tomotsune Osaka Office	Jul 31, 2019
Basics of dealing with GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation)	Anderson Mori & Tomotsune Osaka Office	Jul 26, 2018

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Apr 20, 2023	The Best Lawyers in Japan™ 2024
Dec 15, 2022	Chambers Asia-Pacific 2023
Sep 16, 2022	Asialaw Profiles 2023
Apr 14, 2022	Best Lawyers 2023
Dec 16, 2021	Chambers Asia-Pacific 2022
Sep 17, 2021	Asialaw Profiles 2022
Apr 15, 2021	Best Lawyers 2022
Dec 15, 2020	Chambers Asia-Pacific 2021
Sep 17, 2020	Asialaw Profiles 2021
Apr 9, 2020	Best Lawyers 2021
Sep 19, 2019	Asialaw Profiles 2020

Professional Admissions

Japan (2004)
New York (2012)

Professional and Academic Associations

Daini Tokyo Bar Association

Languages

Japanese (first
language) English