

Partner

Ryo Matsumoto

Chief Legal Representative of Shanghai Office
Osaka Bar Association, Japan Federation of Bar Associations (2005)
Location
Shanghai Office and Osaka Office

Practice Areas

Corporate and M&A

General Corporate Practice / M&A, Reorganization, and Business Alliance / General Corporate Practice / General Corporate Practice / General Corporate Practice / General Corporate Practice / General Corporate Practice / General Corporate Practice

Risk Management & Compliance

Corporate Investigation / Bribery, Financial and Governmental Regulations / Global Compliance

Dispute Resolution

International Dispute Resolution

International Practice

International Commercial Contracts / Trade Remedies (Anti-Dumping, Countervailing Duties and Safeguards) / Trade Regulations/Rule of Origin / International Dispute Resolution / Chinese Practice / Asia/Emerging Countries Desk

Energy and Infrastructure

Electricity / Gas

Industries

Real Estate / Entertainment / Information Technology, Internet and Telecommunications

Life Science, Pharmaceutical and Healthcare

Research and Development / Distribution Strategy / Labelling and Advertising regulation / Dispute Resolution / Crisis Management / M&A / Health and Nursing Care / Cosmetics & Health/Beauty Care Products

Personal Data, AI, IT and Digital

Protection of Personal Information and Privacy / Information Security, Cybersecurity / Data Breach & Incident Response

Professional Summary

Ryo Matsumoto is a partner and the Chief Legal Representative of Shanghai Office. He specialises in cross-border investment, M&A transaction, reorganization and bankruptcy. He is very knowledeable about investment between Japan and Asian countries, especially in China. He had advised many foreign clients on investment to Japan including building structures, clearling regulations and establishing companies in Japan.
He also has a deep understanding of reorganization and bankruptcy in Japan, and had advised foreign clients how to be a sponsor of the debtor.
Mr. Matsumoto also has a plenty of experience in handling with general corporate matters and is able to communicate with foreign clients in fluent English and Chinese.

Education & Professional Experience

2017 - present
Part-time Lecturer, Kobe University Graduate School of Law, the Top Lawyers Program (TLP)

2016 - present
Chief Legal Representative, Shanghai Office of Oh-Ebashi LPC & Partners

2012 - 2016
General Representative of Shanghai Office, Shanghai Office of Oh-Ebashi LPC & Partners

2011
Peking University Law School (LL.M.)

2003-2004
Osaka Municipal Government

2002
Kyoto University (LL.B.)

Publications

2026.07.24	[Report from China] Growing Enthusiasm for Sports in China
2026.05.28	Legal Issues in Cross-Border Succession between Japan and China and Practical Measures
2026.03.25	[Report from China] Will India Experience Economic Growth Like China?
2026.03.25	Export Control in China – Listing of Japanese Entities on the Export Control List and the Watch List
2025.11.28	[Report from China] Marking the 30th Anniversary of Our Shanghai Office
2025.07.24	[Report from China] Basic Information You Should Know before Traveling to China
2025.07.24	Amendments to the Unfair Competition Prevention Act
2025.03.24	[Report from China] How Good is Deep Seek, a Chinese AI?
2025.03.24	Changes in the Practice of Extension of Fixed-term Labor Contracts in Shanghai (Too Late if Decision is Made at the Second Renewal)
2024.11.28	[Report from China] Publication of a Book through the Relationship Acquired in China
2024.11.28	Recent Developments Concerning Bankruptcy in China
2024.07.24	[Report from China] Comparing Sino-Japanese Court Cases
2024.05.24	[Report from China] Japanese Movies and TV Dramas in China
2024.05.24	Restructuring and Withdrawal of Chinese Subsidiaries (6)- Withdrawal (ii) Dissolution, Liquidation and Bankruptcy
2024.04.24	Restructuring and Withdrawal of Chinese Subsidiaries (5)- Withdrawal (i) Share Assingment
2024.03.22	[Report from China] Has Deflation Begun? Changing Consumption Styles in China
2024.03.22	Restructuring and Withdrawal of Chinese Subsidiaries (4) - Restructuring (iii) Company Split and Business Transfer
2024.02.22	Restructuring and Withdrawal of Chinese Subsidiaries (3) - Restructuring (ii) Administration Services Company
2024.01.24	[Report from China] Miscellaneous Thoughts in My 12th Year of Living in Shanghai
2024.01.24	Restructuring and Withdrawal of Chinese Subsidiaries (2) - Restructuring (i) Merger
2023.12.26	Restructuring and Withdrawal of Chinese Subsidiaries (1) - Introduction
2023.11.28	[Report from China] Strategy for Eliminate Scalpers in China
2023.09.29	[Report from China] Playing Golf in China
2023.07.25	[Report from China] China ’ s University Entrance Examination System (Gaokao /National College Entrance Examination)

2023.04.26	[Report from China] Chat GPT and China
2023.02.28	[Report from China] Chinese Courtroom TV Series – “ Draw the Line ”
2022.12.28	[Report from China] Reversal of the Policies for the Novel Coronavirus Pandemic
2022.12.28	Labor Issues after Relaxation of the Policies for the Novel Coronavirus Pandemic
2022.11.29	[Report from China] My Experience When China ’ s Health Code System Indicated a Yellow Code
2022.09.27	Summary of the Amendment to the Chinese Anti-Monopoly Law (2) – Monopoly agreements and abuses of dominant market positions
2022.08.22	Summary of the Amendment to the Chinese Anti-Monopoly Law (1) – Combination of business operators
2022.08.22	[Report from China] Car License Plate Situation in Shanghai
2022.07.26	[Report from China] A Double Whammy with the Inflation and the Weak Yen
2022.07.26	Standard Agreement on the Extraterritorial Transfer of Personal Information
2022.06.23	[Report from China] Shanghai After the Lifting of the Lockdown
2022.05.26	[Report from China] Shanghai Lockdown to be Fully Lifted by Mid to Late June
2022.04.27	[Report from China] Lockdown in Shanghai Continues with No End in Sight
2022.03.24	[Report from China] Latest on the Novel Coronavirus in China - Will the Government Change its Zero-Covid Policy?
2022.02.21	[Report from China] Chinese New Year and Beijing Winter Olympic Games
2022.01.21	[Report from China] Ten Years in Shanghai Saw Many Changes
2022.01.11	Withdrawal of Chinese Subsidiaries - Legislation Relating to Liquidation and Bankruptcy and the Current Situation
2021.12.22	[Report from China] Digital Yuan and Electronic Payment
2021.11.24	[Report from China] Recent Situation in China under the Novel Coronavirus Pandemic
2021.11.24	Measures on Security Assessment of Cross-Border Data Transfers (Draft for Comment) - Basic Points to Note -
2019.03.22	Building a Compliance System for China-based Affiliates – Mainly on the Aspects of Transactions
2017.12	The Legal System of Hong Kong as an international business hub (Part 3)
2016.12	Changes on the Administrative Measures of the Foreign-Invested Enterprises: from Prior Examination to After-the-Fact Filing
2016.12	Property Preservation in China - Provisions of the Supreme People's Court on several issues concerning the handling of property preservation cases by the people's court
2016.02	[Theory and Practice on Civil and Commercial Law in China (97)] Structure of Cross-Border E-Commerce with China and Legal Points to Note therein
2015.05	Investments as a Sponsor in Bankruptcy Cases of Japanese Companies
2015.02	[Theory and Practice on Civil and Commercial Law in China (85)] Promulgation of Provisional Regulations on Real Property Registration - Toward the Development of a Unified Real Property Registration System
2014.10	Regulations and Countermeasures in Respect of Chinese Monopoly Agreements -12 Japanese Auto Parts Suppliers are fined 20 Billion Yen
2014.06	100 Selected Cases in China (No. 208): An Introduction and Brief Study on the Notice of the Supreme People's Court of PRC on Publishing the Sixth Batch of Guiding Precedents.
2013.05	Recent Amendments and Judicial Interpretation of Labor Related Regulations in China: Focusing on Amendments to the Labor Contract Law in China
2013.01	Outline and Practical Issues of Title Retention in Sales Contracts in China
2012.06	100 Selected Cases in China (No. 184): Case where the act of the managing company of a video-sharing site in providing data storage space to users who upload movies to such site was held to qualify as

aiding copyright infringement

Seminars/Lectures

2026.05.29	【Hybrid Seminar】Series of Seminars in Commemoration of the 30th Anniversary of the Shanghai Office (1): National Security Issues of China
2026.03.17	【Online Seminar: Video Streaming】Cross-Border Insights: Key Legal Issues in Asia - Investment Regulations and Data Protection in China, Indonesia, India, and Vietnam
2024.11.29	【Online Seminar】Publication Commemorative Seminar Hosted by Oh-Ebashi LPC & Partners: Understand the Basics of Legal Practices and Taxation in China -
2023.05.30	【Onilne Seminar】Seminar on Management of Chinese Affiliates - Legal Practices and Tax Issues in China that New Expatriates Should Learn -
2022.06.17	【Onilne Seminar】Seminar on Management of Chinese Affiliates - Issues faced by Japanese Affiliates based on the Experience of Lockdown and Handling Thereof
2021.01.25～2021.04.23	【Online Seminar: Video Streaming】China Legal Practice Update ③
2021.01.15～2021.04.09	【Online Seminar: Video Streaming】China Legal Practice Update ②
2020.12.15～2021.02.12	【Online Seminar: Video Streaming】China Legal Practice Update ①
2020.01.17	90-Minute Review! Legal Practice in China in 2019 - Important Legislation and Amendments -
2019.11.25～2019.11.26	【Osaka・Tokyo】Risk Management & Compliance Seminar ④ Global Compliance - Management and Internal Control of Overseas Subsidiaries
2019.07.05	【Osaka】90-Minute Review on the Points to Note in Handling Chinese-Foreign Joint Venture Contracts and Technical Licenses - In Preparation for the Enactment of the New Foreign Investment Law of China -
2019.01.31	Latest Practical Measures Relating to the Chinese Cyber-Security Law -- Focusing on Classifying Legal Issues and Problem Solving for Japanese Companies in China
2018.10.25	The practice of credit management in China - from credit investigation and analysis to preservative attachment and claim collection -
2018.10.23	Amendment to the Individual Income Tax Law of the PRC - With a focus on the changes impacting seconded Japanese employees -
2018.10.16～2018.10.17	Asia Legal Practice Morning Seminar, Season 2-(2): Utilization of EC (Electronic Commerce) in China (2) - How to Sell Products through Cross-Border Electronic Commerce: Practice and Problems
2018.06.14	Points concerning the Amendments of the Chinese Unfair Competition Prevention Act -- Amendments regarding Commercial Bribery and Practice Trends
2018.02.13	【Osaka】Asia Legal Practice Morning Seminar (3): Labor Issues in Chinese Subsidiaries that Japanese Parent Companies Should Know
2017.11.01	Best Practices for Concluding Agreements in China (Documentation with a View to Collecting Claims)
2017.07.21	Special Commemorative Seminar to Celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the Retrocession of Hong Kong - Practical Points in Using Hong Kong as a Business Hub (Osaka)
2017.06.22	Business risks in China that Japanese CEOs should know - Legal practice seminar for Japanese executives
2017.04.21	Special Commemorative Seminar to Celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the Retrocession of Hong Kong - Practical Points in Using Hong Kong as a Business Hub (Tokyo)
2017.03.09	The practice of credit management in China - from credit investigation and analysis to preservative attachment and claim collection -
2016.04	The practice of credit management in China - from credit investigation and analysis to preservative

	attachment and claim collection - Preservative Attachment and Claim Collection in China
2016.01.28	Overall Review of the Amendments to Chinese Tax and Legal Practices in 2015
2015.11.25	Points to Note on the Withdrawal of a Chinese Subsidiary
2015.10.31	Meeting to Study Investigation Principles and Practices under Foreign Laws
2015.05.15	Description of the Foreign Investment Law (Draft) and the Impacts thereof
2014.10	The Foundation of Japanese Company Law (Comparison with Chinese Company Law)
2014.06	Investment on Bankrupted Enterprises in Japan as a Sponsor
2014.04	Precedents of Insurance Law in Japan
2013.10	The Analysis on Transacitonal Reorganization
2013.07	Foreign Currency Control System in China: - Focusing on Recent Amendments
2013.02	Latest Legal Issues Related to Japanese Companies in China
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Languages

Japanese, Chinese & English