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Date of Birth: 1932
Nationality: Japanese

EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Dr. juris (Kyoto University, 1962);
Dr. honoris causa (Marburg University, 1989).

PRESENT POSITION

Professor of Law, Meijo University (since 1996);
Chief Director, Kyoto Comparative Law Center (KCLC) (since 1981);
Vice-Director, International Institute for Advanced Studies (IIAS) (since 1996).

LANGUAGES

English, Japanese.

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE BEFORE PRESENT POSITION

Associate Professor of Law (1962-1970);
Professor of Law (1970-1996) and Prof. Emeritus (since 1996), Kyoto University;

Visiting Professors:

School of Law, University of Washington (1969-1970);
Harvard Law School (1973-1974);
Faculty of Law, University of Munich (1974; 1995);
Faculty of Law, University of Marburg (1988; 1994).

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL BODIES

Government councils:

President, Japan's Copyright Council (Japan's Cultural Affairs Agency);
Member, Law Council, Civil Law Division (Ministry of Justice);
President, Consumer Council (Osaka Prefecture).

Arbitration:

WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center Council;
Panel Arbitrator, Japan Commercial Arbitration Association;
Panel Arbitrator, Shanghai Arbitration Commission.

Directors, etc.:

Copyright Law Association;
Industrial Property Law Association;
Law and Computer Association;
Japanese Land Law Association;
Japanese and German Law Association;
Intellectual Property Institute, Software Information Center (SOFTIC);
Japan's Industrial Property Cooperation Center (IPCC);
Academic Advisor, Berlin German-Japanese Center;
Image & Movie Copymart (IMC) (President).

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Civil Law, Contracts, Consumer law, Intellectual Property Law, Information Law, Technology and Law, Alternative Dispute Resolution;

Rendered expert opinions on:

International issues -

Patent licensing agreements between a German licensor and a Japanese licensee;
Efficacy of a Japanese parent company's guaranty on the obligations for its foreign subsidiary for the sake of a foreign bank: Enforceability of letter of comfort in Japanese law;
Interpretation of royalty clauses of a US licensor and a Japanese licensee in the field of drugs;
The legal effect of the U.S. rule of terminal disclaimer under the Japanese law;
Contract negotiation or formation in a know-how disclosure between a Japanese licensor and a Taiwan licensee;
Legal form of a US and Japanese joint venture in Japan;
Breach of a contract for development of a computer software for a supermarket, etc.

Domestic issues -

Private law consequences of violations of administrative regulations concerning the new entry by establishing a large-scale retailing store;
Product liability and mass injury case;
Quality assurance contracts in an electronic manufacturing corporation;
Safety Assurance contract forms of a manufacturing company;
Copyright management contract concerning CD-photos;
Copyright issues involving stone pictures;
Product liability for defective equipment of atomic generator;
Legal nature of a pond: private ownership or a public asset;
Damages of a breach of contract for ship repair; etc.

MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

Rezeption des europaeischen Zivilrechts in Japan (German), 1970;
The Civil Law, 6 Vols., (Japanese), 1993-1999;
The Civil Law, CD-ROM Edition, (Japanese), 1997;
Doing Business in Japan, 10 Volumes, Kitagawa (General Author) (updated annually since 1980), Matthew Bender, New York, etc.

Articles:

ca.250 (Japanese, English, German, and Chinese);
See the list of publications in *Wege zum japanischen Recht*, Festschrift fuer, Zentaro Kitagawa, (Duncker & Humblot, Berlin, 1992), p.1075-1095.
