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Kotaro Chikaishi is a visiting foreign attorney from one of the largest law firms in Tokyo, Japan. He brings deep expertise in corporate law, with a strong focus on acquisitions, international deals, and support for emerging companies.

Proficient in both Japanese and English, he excels in merger and acquisition strategies, trade regulations, and global business frameworks, enhancing his broad legal capabilities. After earning his LL.M. in Business Law at UCLA School of Law, he joined the firm's Japanese Services Team, where he continues to support clients with their cross-border legal needs.

In addition to his corporate and transactional experience, Kotaro has significant expertise in antitrust and competition law, having advised multinational companies on merger reviews, distribution practices, and cross-border compliance matters.



### **Education**

University of California, Los Angeles School of Law, LL.M.

The Legal Training and Research Institute of the Supreme Court of Japan, 2017

The University of Tokyo, School of Law (Tokyo, Japan), J.D., 2016 Kyushu University (Fukuoka, Japan), LL.B., 2014

#### **Admissions**

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#### **Practice Areas**

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#### Languages

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