

Kyal Hill

Consultant

Tokyo

Biography

As a consultant in our Corporate group, Kyal Hill advises clients on a wide range of corporate transactional and advisory matters, with a particular focus on M&A transactions and joint ventures as well as IP transactions, employment, and regulatory matters.

As an M&A lawyer, Kyal has assisted in all stages of several large, complicated cross-border transactions, from conducting due diligence to the review and drafting of definitive and related agreements, as well as the handling of post-merger integration matters. He has also advised clients in negotiations for joint ventures and the drafting of JV agreements as well as on business restructuring issues, including assisting multinational clients in the reorganization of businesses across numerous countries and the withdrawal of businesses from certain markets.

Kyal is fluent in speaking and reading Japanese and has 2 years' experience working side by side with the business teams of one of Japan's leading auto manufacturers, providing contractual and strategic advice in Japanese and English for negotiations with domestic and overseas transaction counterparties. He also regularly advises clients on the full range of employment issues, including the hiring, registering, and terminating of Japanese and non-Japanese independent contractors, executives, and full-time employees.

Before becoming a lawyer, Kyal was a legal translator, translating share purchase agreements, loan



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Languages

English
Japanese

Practices

Mergers and Acquisitions
Joint Ventures
Commercial
Intellectual Property

Industries

Automotive and Mobility
Technology and Telecoms

Education and admissions

agreements, licensing agreements, and other corporate and IP transactional documents from Japanese into English.

Representative experience

Advising Samvardhana Motherson International Limited on its purchase of an 81% stake in Yachiyo Industry Co., Ltd., a TSE-listed subsidiary of Honda Motors Co., Ltd.

Advising Japanese auto maker in negotiations with a UK engineering firm for the development of fuel cell technology

Advising Japanese oil company in negotiations with a U.S. university for the development and licensing of oil exploration technology

Advising listed US medical device manufacturer on complex contractual arrangements and negotiations with multiple Japanese contract research, development, and manufacturing organizations (CROs & CDMO)

Advising US-headquartered global life sciences corporation on potential joint ventures with Japanese CROs & CDMOs

Advising Applied Materials on its proposed multi-billion-dollar acquisition of Kokusai Electric's semiconductor manufacturing business in Japan

Advising Asahi Group Holdings, Ltd on the restructuring of its European and International beer operations

Advising Cornes Technologies in its acquisition of U.S. & Israeli tech companies in the lab-grown diamonds business

Advising Synopsys in connection with its acquisition of the semiconductor and flat panel display solutions business from BISTel

Education

J.D., University of New England

MAJIT, University of Queensland

B.A., Griffith University

Bar admissions and qualifications

New South Wales

Advising multinational listed company on full range of employment law matters, including reviewing and revising employment agreements for Japanese and international employees, terminations and redundancies, resignation & release agreements, Work Rules, stock award agreements, and labor-management agreements

Advising an international logistics company on employment matters relating to its Japanese subsidiary, including advice in relation to terminations, redundancy, resignations, settlement negotiations, drafting of resignation and release agreements, and litigation

Latest thinking and events

- Press releases
 - Hogan Lovells advises Motherson on its agreement with Honda Motors to acquire an 81 percent stake in Yachiyo Industry
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - Offshore Wind Worldwide - Regulatory framework in selected countries
- Published Works
 - EU Products Law - Second edition
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - Same-sex marriage equality developments in Japan
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - Offshore wind worldwide – Regulatory framework in selected countries
- News
 - EU Products Law