

# CITY-YUWA PARTNERS

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**About Us.** City-Yuwa provides a full range of legal services to international and domestic clients. With approximately 150 lawyers, including three foreign attorneys and two licensed judicial scriveners, the firm is widely recognized as one of Japan's prominent law firms with an established reputation for providing the highest quality of legal services to its many diversified clients.

**1. Professional Expertise.** City-Yuwa Partners was formed on February 1, 2003, upon the merger of Yuwa Partners and the Law Department of Tokyo City Law & Tax Partners, resulting in one of Japan's leading law firms. With the merger in September of 2005 of Ohba, Ozaki & Shimasue, one of Japan's top patent litigation firms, and following the addition of new partners with various legal backgrounds, City-Yuwa has grown into one of Japan's preeminent law firms capable of providing a full range of diversified legal services.

City-Yuwa has many lawyers with experience working in various fields including as former prosecutors, high-ranking governmental officials, in-house counsels for financial institutions, trading companies and other business corporations. Many of the lawyers at City-Yuwa have additional professional qualifications, including as patent lawyers and certified public accountants, with many lawyers licensed in both Japan and foreign jurisdictions. This broad professional background enables City-Yuwa to offer practical advice and to solve any legal issues confronting clients.

**2. Broad Range of Practice Areas.** City-Yuwa Partners routinely counsels its clients and have experiences in areas ranging from general corporate matters, mergers and acquisitions, international and domestic business transactions, financial transactions, real estate, intellectual property, information technology, civil, commercial and criminal litigation and arbitration, ADR, crisis management, regulatory matters and compliance.

Practice Areas include:

*Corporate and Commercial*

*Mergers and Acquisitions*

*Bankruptcy and Restructuring*

*Intellectual Property and Information Technology*

*International*

*Antitrust and Competition*

*Finance, Securities and Insurance*

*Real Estate*

*Litigation*

*Labor and Employment*

*Compliance*

Industry Sectors: Automobile, electronic and medical device, Asset Management, Constructions, Energy and Natural Resources, Fashion and Retail, Financial Institutions, Foods, Health Care, Hotels and Leisure, IT, Internet and Information & Communications, Insurance, Life Sciences, Manufacturing, Real Estate, Shipping, Transportation and Logistics, Telecommunications,

**3. Cross-border Practice and Global Network.** City-Yuwa routinely advises its domestic and international clients in cross-border cases. It offers legal service in Japanese, English, German and Korean languages. Since City-Yuwa is located only in Japan, the firm maintains close contacts with leading law firms throughout the world, and often cooperates with foreign firms and their Tokyo branch offices in rendering services to their clients.

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