

Takayuki Kitajima

Position/Department/Division/Institution/Organization

General Counsel, Representative Director

Unilever Japan Holdings K.K.

Country

Japan

Career history

Started with career at the Japanese trading company, Nissho Iwai Corporation (currently renamed as Sojitz Corporation from 1987. Involved domestic/international legal matters including M&A, License, Distressed Debt Collection and Post-merger procedure in terms of overseas legal operation and the unification of compliance framework. Moved to Johnson & Johnson in 2004 and appointed as Legal Director which was responsible for legal matters of medical device, cosmetic consumer goods business. In 2006, joined Unilever Japan K.K. as General Counsel appointed as the current position in 2012. In addition to the current position, appointed as Chairman of International Corporate Counsels Association in 2015.

Awards/Publications

“The practice of negotiations as in-house lawyers (「企業内法務の交渉術」)” in 2016.

Areas of expertise

Brand Protection, Finance, M&A, License, Debt Collection, Corporate Governance and Business Integrity