

# Hitoshi Akiba

## Counsel

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### Services

Adversarial Patent Prosecution<sup>SM</sup>  
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Licensing, Transactions & Monetization  
Market Protection - Opinions & Dispute Avoidance  
Patent Due Diligence  
Patent Litigation  
Patents  
Post-Grant Proceedings  
Trade Secrets

### Industries

Energy  
Health & Life Sciences



**Hitoshi Akiba is head of the firm's affiliated office in Tokyo, Japan. He focuses his practice on intellectual property, representing clients in a variety of matters including counseling on patent matters, patent infringement litigation, patent licensing and patent transaction. Mr. Akiba has successfully represented clients in various patent licensing activities. Also, he has provided advice to foreign clients with a broad experience in the Japanese patent system. He also leads patent prosecution work and prior art search/invalidity analysis work of Tokyo Office, which are widely appreciated by foreign clients. Prior to joining the firm, Mr. Akiba had worked in Hitachi, Ltd. and Renesas Technology Corp. as a IP counsel for over 15 years.**

### Education

Cornell Law School LL.M. (2000)

Chuo University LL.B. (1999)

University of Electro-Communications B.E. (1990)



## **Admissions**

New York (2001)

## **Court Admissions**

New York (2001)

## **Professional & Community Activities**

American Intellectual Property Law Association, Member

Japan Patent Attorneys Association, Member

## **Insights**

### [Webinars](#)

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