

# Araki International IP&Law

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About Us



# Your Legal Partner to Challenge in Japan

Araki International IP&Law (“AIL”) is an innovative law firm based in Tokyo, Japan, founded by an attorney admitted both in Japan and California with over 10 years of international experience at big law firms, such as Baker Mckenzie and Morgan Lewis.

AIL is recognized for its business-oriented way of services combining with its expertise in cutting-edge fields of law and technology.

# Our Firm's Features



We support our clients' new challenges and drive their businesses with our expertise, trying to enable them to overcome new and complicated legal issues with our expertise and creative way of thinking.

We aim to provide solutions, working together with our clients as “one team”:

1. Expertise in innovative legal fields such as intellectual property and technology;
2. A bridge between Japanese and non-Japanese companies;
  - Experience in handling cross-border matters including high-profile commercial deals between Japanese and non-Japanese companies; and
  - Understanding of cultural gaps
3. Business-oriented, and creative way of thinking.



# Services

AIL was launched by an attorney, who has worked with US-based global law firms, to create an accessible platform to support clients entering the global market in an effective, efficient and flexible manner.



Intellectual Property &  
Technology



International Business  
Transactions



Artificial Intelligence



Data Privacy



Regulations and  
Investigations



Litigations and Dispute  
Resolutions



Labor and Employment



Corporate

# What can we do?

## Intellectual Property and Technology

- ❑ Technology transactions such as:
  - Patent licensing, acquisition and other technology transfer
  - Joint developing
  - Software development licensing
  - Data sharing and purchasing
- ❑ IP Dispute Resolution
- ❑ IP Consultation

## International Business Transaction

- ❑ Support and represent Japanese and non-Japanese clients in cross-border transactions such as:
  - IP and technology transaction between Japanese and non-Japanese companies
  - Purchase and other business transactions
  - Collaborative business scheme involving various stakeholders
  - Entertainment

## Artificial Intelligence

- ❑ Risk management of the development and business use of AI based on global regulatory landscape and ethics

# What can we do?

## Japanese Complex Regulations

▣ We support companies in complying with Japanese complex regulations in various fields such as:

- Data privacy
- Telecommunication
- Advertising and labelling
- Recycling and environment
- Fashion
- Pharmaceutical
- Others

We are also keen to support our clients in interacting with government agencies to create new businesses.

## General Corporate

- ▣ Corporate setting
- ▣ Labor law
- ▣ Business law
- ▣ Corporate management

## Dispute Resolution

- ▣ Japanese court proceedings
- ▣ Settlement discussions
- ▣ ADRs

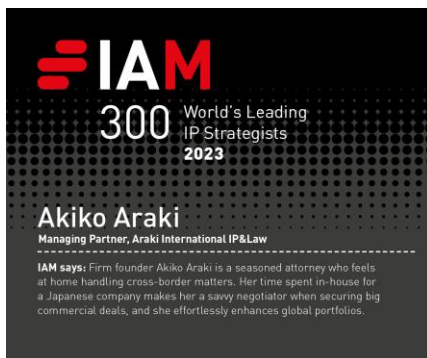
# Market Recognition



Araki International IP Law  
Japan

*"A fresh face on the Japanese IP scene ... an aptitude for cross-border transactions."*

Araki International  
IP&Law 荒木法律事務所



## IAM Patent1000

### - Recommended - Firms: transactions

"Established in 2021, Araki International IP & Law is an innovative IP boutique that has gained traction among patrons for its tailored solutions and client-oriented approach. It handles both domestic and, through its intricate network of foreign associates, international patent transactions and disputes. Qualified in Japan and California, cosmopolitan founder Akiko Araki is an especially popular choice among Japanese firms seeking assistance in cross-border IP transactions and multi-jurisdictional litigations. She is especially adept at handling patent pooling and licensing of SEP global portfolios".

"Akiko is the best attorney for our company and fund. She works for our patents managed fund as our attorney, and she makes and reviews the agreement to help get a royalty from global licensing".

### - The World's Leading IP Strategists 2024

# Market Recognition



## The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2024

- **Firms To Watch: Intellectual Property Independent Local Firms**

“Leveraging her expertise in cross-border IP transactions, head of team, Akiko Araki, is uniquely positioned to advise on complex, multi-jurisdictional IP matters involving large foreign corporations.”

## IP Stars: Transactions Star 2024

## Asia Business Law Journal – Japan Law Firm Awards

- **IP Enforcement**

“In the past year, Araki International has played a vital role in helping companies reach important cross-border deals and settle international IP disputes involving multiple jurisdictions. The firm successfully represented a client in a series of major global patent portfolio licensing and acquisition deals between Japanese and foreign companies. It also assisted this client in settling multijurisdictional patent litigations in several countries including the US and Germany.”







# Recent representations

## **Intellectual Property and Technology**

- Created an innovative IP collaborative scheme involving multiple stakeholders
- Represented a client in multiple global patent portfolio licensing and patent acquisition deals and led the successful conclusions of these deals
- Represented a client in a settlement discussion in a patent dispute, involving multiple stakeholders, and led to the conclusion of a settlement agreement that is preferable to the client
- Represented a client in an investment and collaboration transactions involving IP assets
- Supported a client in reviewing and negotiating patent pooling transactions
- Supported clients in handling IT transactions, such as software development agreements



# Recent representations

Japanese law advice:

- Advised foreign-based multinational companies and Japanese branch of foreign-based companies on Japanese regulations and business transaction matters, including:
  - Japanese data privacy compliance
  - Japanese regulations on product packaging
  - Prepare contract and support negotiations of business deals
- Advised Japanese companies founded by non-Japanese, including:
  - Preparing Japanese version of the client's contract template
  - Representing a client in IP disputes

# Members



**Akiko Araki**  
Managing Partner  
of Araki  
International  
IP&Law  
Attorney-at-law  
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**Tamami Takashima**  
Associate of Araki  
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(Japan)



**Laura Colombini**  
Paralegal of Araki  
International  
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**Giacomo Tarsia**  
Law Clerk of Araki  
International  
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With one more supporting staff

## Attorney



**Akiko Araki**  
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## Overview

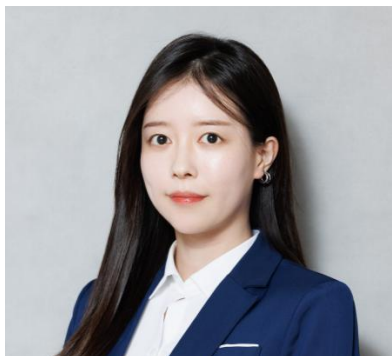
Akiko Araki, the founder of Araki International IP&Law, primarily advises Japanese and foreign clients on cross-border intellectual property (IP) and technology matters including patent licensing and litigation, trade secrets, copyrights, and trademarks. Especially, Akiko has experience in handling global portfolio licensing in the areas of Standard Essential Patents (SEPs) and patent pooling.

She also provides a broad range of legal services to international clients entering the Japanese market in the areas of commercial litigations, data protection, labor, compliance with IT, telecommunication, pharmaceutical, advertising and consumer protection regulations, and other commercial matters.

## Background

Prior to founding Araki International IP&Law in the summer of 2021, Akiko worked at the Tokyo offices of US-based global law firms, Morgan, Lewis & Bockius and Baker Mckenzie, and leading Japanese law firms, where she handled various legal matters including IP and technology, mergers and acquisitions, regulations and compliance, and commercial matters. She also worked as in-house counsel for a Japanese company, utilizing patent portfolios in the telecommunication space and handling patent licensing and litigation matters in several jurisdictions including the US and EU.

## Attorney



**Tamami Takashima**  
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## Overview

Main areas of practice include intellectual property and technology, data privacy, IT and telecommunications, and litigation and dispute resolution. Through studies at universities and graduate schools, Tamami has gained knowledge in various legal fields such as domestic fundamental law and international law. Tamami has an interest in regulations related to advertising displays and other areas of advanced technology such as AI.

## Background

Prior to joining this office, Tamami worked as a paralegal at a foreign-affiliated firm. In addition, Tamami gained diverse experience primarily in international corporate legal affairs through internships at domestic law firms. She also has experience studying abroad in the UK and Canada, and she has strengths in responding with language skills and an international perspective.



## Paralegal



**Laura Colombini**  
Paralegal

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## Overview

Laura Colombini provides support to attorneys as a paralegal based on her expertise especially in the areas of Intellectual Property and Technology, Data Privacy, IT and Telecommunication, Arbitration and Mediation. She acquired an international education and developed her expertise in the legal field by studying and working in different countries, which allowed her to be knowledgeable about general corporate works, IP matters and various alternative dispute resolution procedures.

## Background

Prior to joining Araki International IP&Law in May 2024, Laura worked at the Milan Chamber of Arbitration and at the Tokyo office of a global law firm, where she had the chance to provide support in the areas of commercial litigation, arbitration, mediation, intellectual property (IP) and technology in several jurisdictions including the US, EU and Japan.

Laura is also a certified Civil and Commercial Mediator in compliance with the provisions of the Italian ministerial decree No. 180/2010.

## Background Experience

Laura has acquired experience in various legal fields by:

- supporting attorneys in legal research on IP and corporate legal affairs
- supporting in drafting, advising and negotiating on commercial agreements
- supporting and assisting in arbitration and mediation proceedings

## Law Clerk



**Giacomo Tarsia**  
Law Clerk

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## Overview

Giacomo Tarsia is a Law Clerk at Araki International IP&Law. He regularly supports attorneys in the areas of Intellectual Property and Technology, Data Privacy, IT and Telecommunications. He is preparing to sit for the New York Bar Exam.

## Background

Giacomo graduated cum laude from LUISS Guido Carli University in Rome, where he participated as a Vice-President in the European Law Students Association of Rome and competed on behalf of the school's Jessup Moot Court and Sport Arbitration Moot teams. Before joining the firm, Giacomo also graduated from Fordham University's School of Law and holds an LLM in "International Business and Trade Law".



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