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Eric is a partner in the private client and tax team and focuses on international corporate tax.

Eric leads our Tokyo office and focuses on international corporate and individual taxation. He also leads our international corporate tax practice in the Asia-Pacific region and serves as the Japan tax practice leader.

His practice involves advising clients on a broad range of international tax planning and corporate tax advisory matters including investment funds, M&A, cross-border transactions, real estate investments and technology matters. He specializes in structuring investment funds focusing on the Asia-Pacific region, and has significant experience in structuring funds using a Singapore treaty platform to invest into the Asia Pacific region. Eric has advised clients in over \$50 billion of international corporate, real estate and private equity transactions.

In addition, he regularly advises ultra high-net-worth individuals on Japan income and inheritance tax planning and is particularly knowledgeable in the taxation of and use of foreign trusts in regards to Japan.

His clients include leading investment funds in the Asia region, MNCs, technology companies, and ultra high-net-worth Japanese and foreign individuals.

Having worked in Asia for over 20 years, he is well-versed in the taxation of cross-border transactions across the Asia-Pacific region, involving the US, Japan, Singapore, Korea, Australia, Indonesia, Philippines, Vietnam and China.

Eric graduated summa cum laude from the University of Illinois, College of Law, where he ranked first in his class. In addition to being qualified as a foreign licensed lawyer in Japan, Singapore and the United Kingdom, Eric is also licensed as a CPA in Illinois and Hawaii (not in public practice), and is an Singapore Accredited Tax Adviser on Income Tax.

Prior to joining the firm, he headed the tax group in Asia for Morrison & Foerster and before that, he served as the Head of Tax - Asia for White & Case.

Chambers' Asia-Pacific guide says about him, Eric is the "well known" leader of the tax practice who is highly proficient in dealing with cross-border tax matters including tax planning. Chambers ranks him in Band 1 and Euromoney has listed him in its World Leading Tax Advisors guide for 20 years in a row. He is also recognised as a Highly Regarded Tax Expert in Japan in WorldTax 2021.

Eric is a founding member of ALTA, Asia-Pacific's Leading Tax Advisors. The Japan tax practice has regularly been recognised as the market leader in Japan by legal, tax and ranking guides. In 2016, International Tax Review selected the group as the Japan National Tax Firm of the Year and in 2020, Asian Law Business selected the group as the Tax and Trust Law Firm of the Year.

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ADMISSIONS

- Registered Foreign Lawyer, United Kingdom, 2019
- Gaikokuho Jimu Bengoshi (Japan), 2019
- Accredited Singapore Tax Advisor, SIATP, 2015
- Registered Foreign Lawyer, Singapore 2015

■ Hawaii, 1988

PUBLICATIONS

'Asia-Pacific Investment Fund Tax Structures', Tax Notes International, February 25, 2019

'Corporate Tax 2018 chapter: Japan corporation taxation and Japan BEPs implementation', Chambers Global Practice Guides 2018, co-author with Takeo Mizutani, partner of Withers Japan

'International Estate Planning in Japan', Zeimu Keiri - November 2017, co-author with Takeo Mizutani, partner of Withers Japan, and Tomoko Nakada of Hokusei Law Office

'Japan' chapter, IBFD, International series, co-author

'Japan' chapter, Kluwer, Mergers and Acquisitions, co-author

EDUCATION

University of Hawaii , BBA
University of Illinois College of Law, summa cum laude, Order of the Coif, JD

LANGUAGES

ENGLISH

DATES

JOINED: 2015
PARTNER: 2015

RECOGNITION

2021 Chambers Asia Pacific Top Ranked Eric Roose	2020 World Tax Tax Leader	2020 Chambers Asia Pacific Top Ranked Eric Roose	2020 ALB Japan Tax Law Firm of the Year
2019 Chambers Asia Pacific Top Ranked Eric Roose	2016 Japan tax firm of the year	2016 Chambers Asia Eric Roose	

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