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Professional Experience

After completing law school in the United States and China, Mr. Baranski was an advisor to the Attorney General of the United States on U.S.-China bilateral commercial and legal matters during July - August 1987. He also advised the Minister of Justice of the Republic of Hungary in negotiations with his Chinese counterpart in Beijing in October 1995.

As a practicing attorney, Mr. Baranski worked with Komatsu, Koma & Nishikawa (KKN), a Japanese law firm, from 1987 through 2000 where he developed that firm's Japan-China legal practice and obtained approval for the KKN Beijing office in May 1996, making it the first Tokyo based Japanese law firm to set up an office in China. From 2000 to 2001 Mr. Baranski was a partner at Coudert Brothers' Beijing Office.

Mr. Baranski joined JunHe in August 2001 and is based at the firm's Beijing head office. He is counsel at JunHe. Mr. Baranski's legal practice has focused on foreign direct investment, intellectual property, IT/Telecom and IT/Telecom financing (including CCF), finance leasing, and the establishment of R&D centers (IT/Telecom, software development research) for Japanese, U.S. and other multi-national companies in China. He has also worked extensively on M&A projects in China and has advised major Japanese companies and the Japanese government (METI, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, BOJ, the Japanese Patent Office, JETRO and JCEA) on a wide range of legal and policy matters relating to China and the United States.

In addition to writing on commercial legal matters in the United States and Japan, Mr. Baranski has often been quoted in articles published in the Nihon Keizai Shimbun, the Asahi Shimbun, the Sankei Shimbun, Bungei Shunju (a weekly journal) and Chinese publications on matters concerning Japanese and American business interests in China.

Law Review Article (co-author): "Chinese Commercial Dispute Resolution Methods: The State Commercial and Industrial Administration Bureau", The American Journal of Comparative Law Volume XXXV, Fall 1987, Number 4.

Education

Mr. Baranski was born in Toronto, Canada and is the first generation of a Hungarian family that immigrated to the United States after the Hungarian Revolution of 1956. He is a U.S., Canadian and Hungarian national, and a permanent resident of Yokohama, Japan.

After graduating from Princeton University with honors in 1980, Mr. Baranski became the first foreigner to formally complete a course of study in law in China after 1949, when he graduated from the Peking University Law School in 1984. Mr. Baranski obtained his J.D. at the State University of New York, Buffalo in 1987. He also completed undergraduate and/or graduate studies at Yale University (1973), the National Taiwan University (1974-75), Kanazawa University (Japan) (1977-78) and Columbia University (1980-81).

Professional Associations

Mr. Baranski is admitted to practice law in New York, Massachusetts, the District of Columbia, and the United States District Court for the Western District of New York, and is a member of the American Bar Association. He is also a member of the American Chamber of Commerce in China and the Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry in China, and is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Japanese Chamber in China.

Language Skills

English, Chinese, Japanese, Hungarian, and German