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OKABE & YAMAGUCHI was founded by Mr. Hiroki Okabe and Mr. Shuji Yamaguchi in 1990.

OKABE & YAMAGUCHI handles all types of maritime cases including collision and salvage, cargo claims, charterparty disputes, oil pollution cases, maritime insurance, shipbuilding contract, ship sale contract, land transport contract, multimodal transport contract etc.

Mr. Shuji Yamaguchi was born in 1956.

He graduated from Kyoto University and admitted to the bar in 1982.

Mr. Shuji Yamaguchi is a specialist of cargo claims, charterparty disputes and other contractual disputes.

He is also a litigation lawyer. He handles a lot of court litigations and maritime arbitrations.

He is a visiting professor of Chuo University School of Law.

He acted as an arbitrator at Tokyo Maritime Arbitration Commission.

He was a chair of Maritime Law Committee of The Inter-Pacific Bar Association (IPBA) in 2009-2011 and a vice chair in 2006-2009.

He spoke at IPBA annual Conferences in Los Angeles in 2008, in Manila in 2009 and in Kyoto in 2011 and he was a conference moderator at IPBA Singapore Conference in 2010.

He is a Professional Partner of International Union of Marine Insurance (IUMI). He spoke at Paris Conference of IUMI in 2011.

He was a member of Legislation Counsels for Ministry of Justice to amend the Commercial Code (Transport and Maritime Law) and (Bill of Lading etc.)

He is a co-author of "Maritime Law Handbook", "Rotterdam Rules in the Asia Pacific Region", "The Guidebook of International Multimodal Transport", "Judgements Commentary of The Civil Code I" etc.