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Masahisa (“Masa”) Mitsunaga is Senior Counsel in the Los Angeles office of Buchalter Nemer, and he is a member of the Firm’s Corporate, Intellectual Property and Japan practice groups. Mr. Mitsunaga has participated in media-related merger and acquisition and debt and equity finance transactions, and advised clients on the development of intellectual property. He has deep knowledge on the business practices in the Hollywood and Media Entertainment industries. Mr. Mitsunaga also supports a variety of Japanese companies in conducting or expanding business in the U.S. by advising them of potential legal matters.

Mr. Mitsunaga also has experience litigating matters in state and federal court, including disputes regarding breach of contract, business torts, and copyright and trademark matters, along with handling the e-Discovery and litigated issues.

Mr. Mitsunaga’s clients include entertainment, media and broadcasting companies, film production & distribution companies, talent management companies, interactive game developers, toy and game manufacturers, online service providers and other companies operating globally.

Mr. Mitsunaga earned his LL.M. at University of Southern California Law School and his LL.B. from Keio University in Tokyo, Japan.

Experience

- Represented a major Japanese trading company in connection with its investment into a Hollywood incubator.*
- Represented Colony Capital in the \$660-million purchase of Miramax Films from Disney.*
- Represented Miramax in various corporate, financing and licensing transactions.*
- Represented numerous Japanese clients in connection with license deals, merchandise deals, joint venture deals and other U.S. operations.*
- Represented Japanese producers, rights holders and financiers in connection with their motion picture deals in Hollywood.*
- Represented a major Japanese broadcasting company in a copyright infringement action against a major U.S. network, including handling e-discovery and other pretrial matters.*
- Handled discovery stage and other pretrial stages of a multi-million-dollar contract dispute between an international multimedia company and a trading card game company, including assisting with preparing a successful opposition to the multimedia company's motion for summary judgment.*

**Represents experience from a previous law firm.*

Areas of Practice

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