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**Victor Osumi Elected President of the American Chamber of  
Commerce in Japan (ACCJ) for 2024**

***The ACCJ announces newly elected Board of Governors  
to lead the Chamber***

**December 8, 2023** [Tokyo] – The American Chamber of Commerce in Japan (ACCJ) announced today that Victor Osumi was elected to serve as the Chamber’s 61<sup>st</sup> President. Osumi, who is Managing Director and President – Japan of Delta Air Lines, Inc., will assume his position from January 1, 2024.

“It is with great pleasure and a deep sense of responsibility that I take on the role of ACCJ President for 2024. As I embark on this new chapter together with the 2024 Board of Governors during this milestone 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary year for the ACCJ, I am committed to advancing our mission, fostering growth, promoting collaboration, and advocating the priorities of our members,” said Osumi.

“The U.S.-Japan relationship continues to be critical in setting global standards and establishing frameworks for innovations yet to come. The ACCJ’s strength lies in our collective wisdom, and together, we can navigate the challenges and seize the opportunities that lie ahead. I extended my sincere appreciation to President Om Prakash and the outgoing ACCJ leadership for their dedication and commendable efforts. I look forward to building on their success with the ACCJ membership. Working in collaboration with the business community in Japan, the governments of Japan and the United States, and our many other stakeholders, our goal is to create a future marked by prosperity and mutual support,” Osumi added.



### ---Victor Osumi: Profile---

Victor Osumi is Managing Director and President – Japan for Delta Air Lines, Inc. Osumi is responsible for managing Delta's entity in Japan and developing the business strategy to build Delta's presence as an industry leader in the Japan market.

Osumi joined Delta in July 2019 from Marriott International, where he served as Area Vice President, Japan and Guam, responsible for the operations of 43 Marriott branded hotels and over 30 new hotels under development.

Osumi graduated from Florida Institute of Technology with a BS in Aviation Management Flight Technology and then joined the United States Air Force. Throughout his career, he has assumed leadership roles with major global hotel companies, including Hyatt, InterContinental Hotels Group (IHG), Marriott International, and Prince Hotels. Victor holds an FAA Certified Commercial Pilot and Flight Instructor's license (CFII).

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The ACCJ membership also elected one Treasurer, two Vice Presidents–Tokyo, six Governors–Tokyo, one Vice President–Kansai, and one Governor–Kansai to serve with the incumbent members on the 2024 ACCJ Board of Governors. The ACCJ Kansai Chapter's Regional Treasurer (a non-board position) was also elected.

#### **Elected President:**

- **Victor Osumi**  
Managing Director and President - Japan, Delta Air Lines, Inc.

#### **Elected Treasurer:**

- **John Kawase**  
Chief Financial Officer, Amway Japan G.K.

#### **Elected Vice Presidents–Tokyo:**

- **Sarah Bader**  
Managing Director, Principal Representative in Japan, Gensler Associates International Ltd
- **Arthur Mitchell**  
Senior Advisor, White & Case LLP

**Incumbent Vice Presidents–Tokyo:**

- **Mari Matthews**  
Representative Director and Vice Chair, The Bank of New York Mellon Trust (Japan) Ltd.
- **Yoshitaka Sugihara**  
Director for Public Policy, Netflix G.K.
- **William Swinton**  
Director, International Business Program, Temple University, Japan Campus

**Elected Governors–Tokyo:**

- **Andrew Conrad\***  
Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Compliance Officer, Aflac Japan  
Senior Vice President, Aflac International
- **Tomoko Naoe**  
Director - Policy, Japan, BSA | The Software Alliance
- **Yumiko Ohta**  
Partner, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP
- **Catherine Ohura**  
VP, General Manager, Japan, Labcorp Laboratories Japan GK
- **Will Shaffer\***  
President, Boeing Japan, The Boeing Company
- **Megumi Takayama**  
Senior Vice President, Weber Shandwick (IPG DXTRA Japan, Inc.)

**Incumbent Governors–Tokyo:**

- **Meghan Barstow**  
President & Representative Director, Senior Consultant Employee Experience APAC, Edelman Japan
- **Izumi Hamada**  
Vice President, Head of Government Affairs and Policy, Johnson & Johnson Family of Companies in Japan
- **Mitsuhiko Ida**  
Government Affairs Director, Microsoft Japan Co., Ltd.
- **Hans Klemm**  
Japan Representative, Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America (PhRMA)
- **Masayo Nagai**  
Chairman of Asia, APCO Worldwide
- **David Richards**  
Managing Director, Chief Administrative Officer, Morgan Stanley MUFG Securities Co., Ltd.

**Elected Kansai Chapter leaders:**

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- **Vice President–Kansai: Jiro Kawakami\***  
Vice President & Chief of Staff, MGM Resorts Japan LLC
- **Governor–Kansai: Simone Thomsen\***  
President and Representative Director, Eli Lilly Japan K.K.

**Incumbent Chubu Chapter leaders:**

- **Vice President–Chubu: Robert W. Roche**  
Executive Chairman and President, Oak Lawn Marketing, Inc.
- **Governor–Chubu: Mark Hosang**  
Regional CISO Japan & APAC, Randstad Japan

**2024 Non-Board Leadership Positions:**

- **Regional Treasurer–Kansai: Christopher R. Clark\***  
General Manager, JW Marriott Hotel Nara
- **Regional Treasurer–Chubu: Julian Bashore**  
General Manager & Representative Director, MacDermid Performance Solutions Japan K.K.

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**About the ACCJ**

The American Chamber of Commerce in Japan (ACCJ) was established in 1948 by representatives of 40 American companies. Over its 75-year history, the ACCJ has positioned itself as one of the most influential business organizations in Japan. The ACCJ has approximately 3,000 members who together represent over 600 globally minded companies with offices in Tokyo, Nagoya, and Kobe. Working closely with the U.S. and Japanese governments, business organizations and others, the ACCJ engages in activities that advance its mission of further developing commerce between the U.S. and Japan, promoting the interests of U.S. companies and members, and improving the international business environment in Japan including the commitment to demonstrating responsible corporate citizenship. The ACCJ's more than 60 committees represent a variety of industries and make policy recommendations through advocacy tools such as viewpoints, public comments, and white papers. The ACCJ holds on average 500 events and seminars a year, many of which focus on government policy and economic trends. The ACCJ is also committed to promoting charitable and CSR activities.

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