

Effects of Adoption —, by Masanori Yamamoto (Professor, Okayama University of Commerce).

(4) Special Adoption, by Akira Yonekura (Professor, Tokyo University).

(5) Foster Parent System and Mediation of Adoption, by Minoru Ishii (Professor, Sophia University).

For another symposium, see “5. Commercial Law” section.

For further details, see *Shihō* (Journal of Private Law) No. 46, 1984, Tokyo.

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3. Law of Civil Procedure and Bankruptcy

The 53rd convention of the *Japanese Association of the Law of Civil Procedure* was held at the Kasuga-cho School building of the Department of Science and Engineering of Chuo University on May 21 and 22, 1983.

On May 21st, reports were made on the following subjects:

(1) “The Automatic Stay System under the Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1978 of the U.S.A.: From the Viewpoint of a Secured Creditor’s Protection,” by Tetsuo Kato (Associate Professor, Waseda University).

(2) “Ist die Beschwer eine Voraussetzung der Anschlußberufung?”, by Yasuo Ueno (Associate Professor, Meijo University).

(3) “Intervention as an Independent Party in a *Jokoku* (Final Appeal) Proceeding,” by Jiro Hanamura (Professor, Chiba University).

(4) “The Present Condition and Some Problems of Corporate

Reorganization Cases in the Tokyo District Court,” by Kozo Fujita (Judge of the Tokyo District Court).

On May 22nd, a symposium on “Über die Beschleunigung des Zivilprozesses” was held, and an animated question-and-answer period followed.

SYMPOSIUM: Über die Beschleunigung des Zivilprozesses.

(Reporters)

Toichiro Kigawa, attorney.

Prof. Akira Ishikawa of Keio University.

Prof. Takeshi Kojima of Chuo University.

Hirohito Miyake, Judge of the Tokyo District Court.

Kimio Miyazaki, Lecturer of the Law Clerk Training Institute.

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NORIYUKI HONMA

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4. Criminal Law and Procedure

The 61st Congress of *the Criminal Law Society of Japan* was held at the Shimanë University on October 9 and 10, 1983. The titles of individual and joint reports were as follows:

[Individual Reports]

1. Significance of Causation in the Theory of Crime, Centering on Psychological Causation in the Criminal Law, by Hiroshi Ueda (Part-time Lecturer, the Osaka University of Economics and Law).

2. Passionate Action and Criminal Responsibility, by Mitsuko Hayashi (Associate Professor, Kanagawa University).

3. A Public Prosecutor and a Judge Who Fills the Role of