Civil Code and the interpretation of its rules were discussed.

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## 4. Family Law

#### 1998

The Japan Association of Socio-Legal Studies on Family Law held the 15th Annual Meeting at Konan University in Hyogo on November 14, 1998

Theme: Reproductive Technology and the Family Introduction, by Yoshihiko Sato (Professor, Doshisya University) Reports:

- (1) Some Actualities: Views of a journalist, by Hiromichi Yokoyama (Editorial, Asahi Shimbun).
- (2) Assisted Reproductive Technology and its Impact on the Family, by Takashi Wagatsuma (Councilor, Japan International Corporation of Welfare Services).
- (3) Family Decline and Reproductive Technology, by Mariko Inoue (Professor, Osaka Women's University).
- (4) Reproductive Technologies and the Family in the USA, by Masayuki Tanamura (Professor, Waseda University).
- (5) Küstliche Befruchtung und Kindschaftsrecht in Deutschland, by Fumio Tokotani (Professor, Osaka University).
- (6) Some Questions about Artificial Fertilization in Japanese Family Law (Professor, Kanazawa University).

Discussion, Moderators: Takeo Ukon (Professor, Okayama University), Yoshihiko Sato.

#### 1999

The Japan Association of Socio-Legal Studies on Family Law held the 16th Annual Meeting at Sensyu University in Tokyo on November 20, 1999.

Theme: Developments in the Family Court and the Future Tasks Introduction, by Taichi Kajimura (Judge, Tokyo District Court) Reports:

- (1) Some Issues of Family Conciliation, by Yasuhiro Igaki (Judge, Kobe Family Court).
- (2) Some Issues of the Adjudication of Domestic Relations, by Masaaki Matsubara (Judge, Tokyo District Court).
- (3) The Activities of the Investigator in Family Cases, by Takashi Murakami (Investigator, Yokohama Family Court).
- (4) Confidentiality and Disclosure in Family Cases, by Masayuki Tanamura (Professor, Waseda University).
- (5) Blanket Clauses in the Civil Code and Family Conciliation, by Noriko Mizuno (Professor, Tohoku University).
- (6) Guarantee of the Intervention in Family Court Proceedings of Children, by Syuhei Ninomiya (Professor, Ritsumeikan University).
- (7) A Sociological Review of Family Conciliation, by Masao Murayama (Professor, Chiba University).

Discussion, Moderators: Taichi Kajimura

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# 5. Laws of Civil Procedure and Bankruptcy

#### 1998

The 68th General Meeting of the Japanese Association of the Law of Civil Procedure was held at Hiroshima University on May 16 and 17, 1998. Ten reporters presented papers on the first and second days, and a mini-symposium was held in the afternoon of the second day.

### **Individual Reports:**

(1) The Fraudulency of Avoided Acts, by Manabu Wagatsuma (Asso-