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On 9 January 1946 the records of the Personnel Section, Cabinet Secretariat were examined at the Diet Building, Tokyo.

Complete personnel records of the subject were micro-filmed. Photostatic copies, together with translation, are on file as Exhibit No. 653.

Following is a transcript of the translation:

HIRANUMA, Kiichiro

BORN : September 1867

DOMICILE : Tokyo, Japan

SOCIAL STATUS: Nobility

1888 Aug Accepted as probationary administrative official in the Department of Justice

1871 Feb Completed study of Chinese literature under Mr. SAITO in Tsuyama

1872 Oct Completed study of Chinese literature under UDAGAWA, Kosui by July 1874

1875 Jan Studied English, Chinese and Arithmetic at Sansha Institute under MIMASAKA, Akitsubo

1878 Sep Entered and completed the ordinary course at the University of Tokyo Preparatory School

1883 Jul Given a graduation diploma

1884 Sep Entered the Law Department of the University of Tokyo

1886 Mar 1 University of Tokyo changed to Imperial University. Entered and completed the law course of the Law College.

1888 Jul 10 Received the graduation certificate of the Imperial University College of Law

1888 Dec 4 Ordered as probationary advisor, salary of ¥600 yearly (Ministry of Justice)

1888 Dec 8 Ordered concurrently to serve at the Bureau of Civil Affairs (Ministry of Justice)

1890 Aug 20 Appointed a probationary judge at salary of ¥600 per annum; Appointed to serve at the Shiba Ward Peace Court (Ministry of Justice)

1890 Oct 16 Appointed to the Bar Examination Committee (Ministry of Justice)

1890 Aug 2 Rank and salary systems was abolished

1890 Oct 22 Appointed a Judge (Ministry of Justice); Promoted to the 4th grade of the 1st rank and granted the 4th grade salary; (Ministry of Justice); Appointed a judge of the Kyobashi Ward Court (Ministry of Justice)

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- 1890 Nov 4 Relieved from the bar examination committee for 1890 (Ministry of Justice)
- 1890 Dec 25 Appointed a judge of the Tokyo District Court (Ministry of Justice)
- 1891 Jul 6 Appointed to the bar examination committee of 1891 (Ministry of Justice)
- 1891 Aug 16 Abolished the rank and salary systems and new salary system was established.
- 1891 Aug 18 Granted the 10th grade salary (Ministry of Justice)
- 1891 Dec 23 Promoted to the 7th Court Rank, Junior Grade
- 1891 Dec 19 Granted the sum of ¥30 in recognition of his service on the temporary business investigation committee (Ministry of Justice)
- 1892 Nov 19 Appointed as head of a section of the Chiba District Court (Ministry of Justice)
- 1892 Nov 20 Granted the 9th grade salary (Ministry of Justice)
- 1892 Dec 23 Promoted to the 7th Court Rank, Senior Grade
- 1893 Mar 9 Ordered as the Head of the Bailiff Examination Committee (Ministry of Justice)
- 1893 Dec 15 Appointed as the head of a section of the Yokohama District Court
- 1894 Apr 1 Abolished the judge and prosecutor salary systems and judge and prosecutor rank and salary systems were established; Granted the 8th grade salary (Ministry of Justice)
- 1895 May 21 Appointed as head of the Bailiff Examination Committee (Ministry of Justice)
- 1895 Sep 12 Appointed the judge of the Tokyo Court of Appeals (Ministry of Justice)
- 1895 Oct 8 Promoted to the 5th rank of the higher civil service (Cabinet)
- 1895 Oct 9 Ordered as the member of the first examination committee for appointment of judges and prosecutors (Min. of Justice); Appointed to the Bar Examination Committee of 1895
- 1895 Dec 26 Promoted to the 6th Court Rank, Junior Grade
- 1896 May 15 Granted the 7th grade salary (Min. of Justice)
- 1896 Jun 22 Ordered as a member of the first examination committee for appointment of judges and prosecutors (Min. of Justice); Ordered to the Bar Examination Committee of 1896 (Min. of Justice)
- 1898 Jan 25 Ordered as a member of second examination committee for appointment of judges and prosecutors (Min. of Justice)
- 1898 Feb 21 Assigned to the examination committee of probationary naval intendants officers (Navy Ministry)
- 1898 Jul 1 Appointed the head of a section in Tokyo Court of Appeals (Ministry of Justice)
- 1898 Jun 28 Granted the 6th Grade Salary (Ministry of Justice)
- 1898 Jul 12 Ordered as a member of the first examination committee for appointment of judges and prosecutors (Ministry of Justice); Ordered as a member of the Bar Examination Committee of 1898 (Ministry of Justice)

1898 Sep 20 Promoted to the 6th Court Rank, Senior Grade

1898 Dec 27 Granted the 4th Grade Salary (Ministry of Justice)

1899 Feb 14 Ordered as a member of the Examination Committee for appointment of judges and prosecutors (Min. of Justice)

1899 Apr 17 Appointed a prosecutor (Cabinet);
Appointed the 4th rank of higher civil service;
Appointed a prosecutor of the Tokyo Court of Appeals (Min. of Justice)

1899 Apr 18 Granted the 3rd grade salary (Ministry of Justice);
Established the judge and prosecutor's rank and salary system

1899 Apr 27 Ordered as a member of the examination committee for appointment of court clerks (Ministry of Justice)

1899 Jun 13 Appointed as a member of the temporary higher civil service commission (Cabinet)

1899 Jun 12 Ordered a member of the ordinary civil disciplinary committee (Ministry of Justice)

1899 Jun 19 Ordered as a member of the first examination committee for appointment of judges and prosecutors (Ministry of Justice);
Ordered as a member of the bar examination committee of 1899

1899 Nov 25 Granted the sum of ¥120 as an allowance in the temporary higher civil service commission (Cabinet)

1899 Nov 29 Relieved from the temporary higher civil service commission (Cabinet)

1900 Feb 2 Ordered as a member of the 2nd examination committee for appointments of judges and prosecutors (Ministry of Justice)

1899 Dec 21 Granted the sum of ¥50 in recognition of his service on the committee for appointment and examination of court clerks (Ministry of Justice)

1900 May 8 Assigned as a lecturer at the Police and Prison School (Home Ministry)

1900 Jun 8 Appointed as a temporary member of the Higher Civil Service Commission (Cabinet)

1900 Aug 3 Promoted to the 3rd rank of the Higher Civil Service (Cabinet)

1900 Sep 27 Granted the 1st grade salary (Min. of Justice)

1900 Nov 10 Promoted to the 5th Court Rank, Junior Grade

1900 Nov 29 Released as a temporary member of the Higher Civil Service Commission (Cabinet)

1901 Jun 22 Appointed as a temporary member of the Higher Civil Service Commission (Cabinet)

1901 Nov 13 Granted the sum of ¥110 for allowance as a temporary member of the Higher Civil Service Commission (Cabinet)

1901 Nov 16 Relieved as a temporary member of the Higher Civil Service Commission (Cabinet)

1901 Dec 27 Decorated with the 6th Order of Merit with the Order of the Sacred Treasure

1902 Jan 7 Ordered as a member of the 2nd Examination Committee for appointment of judges and prosecutors (Ministry of Justice)

1902 Jun 12 Appointed as a temporary member of the Higher Civil Service Commission (Ministry of Justice)

- 1902 Jun 13 Ordered as a member of the Investigation Committee for revision of the Lawyer's and Notary's Law (Min. of Justice)
- 1902 Sep 11 Promoted to the 2nd rank of the Higher Civil Service (Cabinet);
Granted the 5th grade salary (Ministry of Justice)
- 1902 Nov 21 Granted the sum of ¥80 for allowance as temporary member of the higher civil service commission (Cabinet)
- 1902 Nov 26 Relieved as a temporary member of the higher civil service commission (Cabinet)
- 1902 Dec 9 Appointed additionally as the councillor of the Ministry of Justice;
Promoted to the 3rd rank of the higher civil service (Cabinet);
Ordered to serve additionally at the Bureau of Civil and Criminal Affairs (Ministry of Justice)
- 1902 Dec 17 Promoted to the 5th Court Rank, Senior Grade (Ministry of Justice)
- 1902 Dec 26 Relieved as member of the Ordinary Civil Disciplinary Committee (Ministry of Justice)
- 1903 Jun 10 Ordered as a member of the 1st examination committee for appointment of judges and prosecutors (Ministry of Justice);
Ordered as a member of the bar examination committee of 1903 (Ministry of Justice)
- 1903 Jun 26 Decorated with the 5th Order of Merit with the Order of the Sacred Treasure (Bureau of Decoration)
- 1903 Jul Relieved as a lecturer at the Law Department of the Tokyo Imperial University Education Ministry
- 1903 Oct 7 Appointed a member of the Investigation Committee of Customs Petition (Cabinet)
- 1903 Oct 14 Appointed as a councillor of the Ministry of Justice in addition to being a prosecutor (Cabinet)
- 1903 Oct 14 Promoted to 2nd rank of the Higher Civil Service (Cabinet)
- 1903 Dec 7 Appointed as a member of the government committee for matters under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Justice
- 1904 Mar 30 Ordered as the Deputy Head of the Bureau of Civil and Criminal Affairs when Kawamura was absent (Ministry of Justice)
- 1904 Jun 8 Ordered as a member of the 1st examination committee for appointment of judges and prosecutors (Ministry of Justice);
Ordered as a member of the Bar Examination Committee of 1904 (Ministry of Justice)
- 1904 Nov 28 Appointed a member of the government committee dealing with matters under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Justice (Cabinet)
- 1904 Dec 27 Decorated with the 4th Order of Merit with the order of Sacred Treasure
- 1905 Nov 6 Appointed as a prosecutor of the Supreme Court (Ministry of Justice)
- 1905 Dec 27 Appointed a member of the government committee dealing with matters under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Justice (Cabinet)
- 1906 Jan 8 Appointed the Head of the Bureau of Civil and Criminal Affairs and concurrently prosecutor;
Promoted to the 2nd rank of the Higher Civil Service (Cabinet)

1906 Feb 15 Ordered as a member of the 2nd permanent examination committee for the appointment of judges and prosecutors (Ministry of Justice)

1906 Dec 26 Ordered as a member of the government committee dealing with matters under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Justice

1907 Mar 25 Ordered to be dispatched to European countries with businesses

1906 Apr 1 Decorated with the 3rd Order of Merit with the Order of the Sacred Treasure;
Granted ¥700 in recognition of his service in 1904, 1905 Incidents

1907 May 21 Appointed as a member of the Law Investigation Committee (Cabinet)

1907 Jun 13 Conferred the degree of doctor of laws under the Second Article of the Degree of Law

1907 Dec 27 Promoted to the Junior Grade of the 4th Court Rank

1908 Feb 14 Returned from abroad

1908 Jul 9 Promoted to the 1st rank of the Higher Civil Service

1908 Dec 25 Appointed as a member of the government committee dealing with matters under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Justice (Cabinet)

1909 Jul 1 Appointed as prosecutor and concurrently as Head of the Bureau of Civil and Criminal Affairs (Ministry of Justice);
Granted the 3rd Grade Salary (Ministry of Justice)

1909 Dec 22 Appointed as a member of the government committee dealing with matters under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Justice

1910 Apr 1 Established the higher civil service salary system

1910 Apr 9 Ordered to be dispatched to the districts under the jurisdiction of the Hiroshima Court of Appeals and the Miyazu Local Court

1910 Dec 23 Appointed as a member of the Government Committee dealing with matters under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Justice (Cabinet)

1911 Apr 15 Appointed additionally as the Head of the Bureau of Civil and Criminal Affairs;
Promoted to the 2nd rank of the higher civil service (Cabinet)

1911 Sep 6 Appointed the Vice Minister of Justice;
Promoted to the 1st rank of the higher civil service (Cabinet)

1911 Sep 8 Ordered to be head of the Ordinary Civil Service Commission (Ministry of Justice);
Released as member of the Departmental Ordinance Investigation Committee

1911 Sep 20 Released as member of the Investigation Committee for Customs Petition (Cabinet)

1911 Oct 2 Appointed a councillor of the Japan Grand Exhibition (Cabinet)

1911 Dec 9 Appointed a member of the Temporary Bureau of Organization Liquidation

1911 Dec 25 Appointed as a committee member of the temporary organization adjustment bureau (Cabinet)

1912 Sep 7 Appointed as a member of the Production Investigation Committee

- 1912 Oct 9 Granted the Russian Order of Holy Anna, First Grade
- 1912 Dec 21 Appointed a prosecutor;
Promoted to the 1st rank of the higher civil service
(Cabinet);
Appointed the Chief Procurator (Ministry of Justice)
- 1913 Jan 23 Appointed as an Inspector of the Auditor Disciplinary
Court (Cabinet);
Appointed as an Inspector of the Disciplinary Court for
Presidents and Judges of the Court of Administrative
Litigation
- 1913 Jan 30 Promoted to the 4th Court Rank, Senior Grade
- 1913 Feb 1 Released as a Production Investigation Committee member
- 1913 Jun 18 Decorated with the Second Order of Merit with the Order
of the Sacred Treasure
- 1913 Dec 27 Decorated with the Order of the Double Rays of the Rising
Sun in recognition of his service in law investigation
- 1914 Apr 13 Granted a set of gold cups
- 1914 May 1 Appointed as a Chief Prosecutor (Appointed by His Majesty)
- 1915 Apr 12 Appointed as a Councillor of the Coronation Commission
(Cabinet)
- 1915 Oct 31 Ordered to serve in the retinue of the Emperor on a visit
to Kyoto (Cabinet)
- 1916 Jan 19 Decorated with the First Order of Merit with the Order of
the Sacred Treasure (Cabinet)
- 1916 May 25 Appointed as a member of the Editing Committee of Corona-
tion Records (Cabinet)
- 1916 May 30 Promoted to the 3rd Court Rank, Junior Grade
- 1915 Nov 7 Granted ¥900 in recognition of his service in 1914-1915
Incidents
- 1916 Jan 21 Abolished the Coronation Committee System
- 1916 Nov 7 Appointed a member of the Investigation Committee of the
Imperial Household System (Imperial Household Dept.)
- 1915 Nov 10 Granted the Commemoration Medal of the Coronation
- 1917 Nov 1 Ordered to be dispatched to the districts under the
jurisdiction of Nagasaki and Nagoya Court of Appeals
(Ministry of Justice)
- 1917 Nov 13 Appointed a member of the Temporary Education Investigation
Committee (Cabinet)
- 1918 Sep 23 Granted a set of gold cups in recognition of his service
as a member of the Editing Committee of Coronation Records
(Bureau of Decoration)
- 1918 Sep 25 Released as a member of the Editing Committee of Coronation
Records (Cabinet)
- 1918 Apr 8 Decorated with the Chinese Ka-Ka-Sho Medal of Merit,
First Class
- 1918 May 24 Granted a set of gold cups in recognition of his service on
the temporary Education Investigation Committee
- 1918 Jul 9 Appointed a Vice President of the Temporary Law Investigation
Committee (Cabinet)
- 1918 Jul 9 The Law Investigation Committee was abolished

- 1918 Sep 29 Granted the Grand Cordon of the Rising Sun in recognition of services as a member of the Law Investigation Committee
- 1921 May 30 Granted a set of gold cups in recognition of his service in reforming the court martial laws (Chizai-Ho)
- 1921 Jun 1 Appointed a prosecutor;
Appointed as a Chief Prosecutor
- 1921 Jun 10 Promoted to the 3rd Court Rank, Senior Grade
- 1921 Oct 5 Appointed a judge (Cabinet);
Appointed as Head of the Supreme Court (Cabinet)
- 1923 Sep 6 Appointed Minister of Justice (Cabinet)
- 1923 Sep 19 Appointed as a member of the Tokyo Restoration Commission (Cabinet)
- 1923 Oct 6 Released as a member of the Imperial Household Investigation Committee at his request (Imperial Household Dept.)
- 1924 Jan 7 Relieved of principal post at request (Cabinet)
- 1924 Jan 9 Appointed a member of the House of Peers by the 4th of 1st Article of House of Peers Systems
- 1924 Jan 25 Appointed as a Lord-in-Waiting in the Kinko Hall (Imperial Household Dept.)
- 1924 Feb 2 Appointed a Councillor of the Privy Council (Cabinet);
Released as Lord-in-Waiting in the Kinko Hall
- 1924 Feb 7 Released from a membership in the House of Peers at his request
- 1924 Mar 8 Appointed a member of the Temporary Investigation Committee on the Successive Emperor's History (Imperial Household Dept.);
Appointed a member of the Imperial Household Investigation Committee (Imperial Household Dept.)
- 1924 Apr 15 Appointed a member of the Education Investigation Committee (Cabinet)
- 1926 Apr 12 Appointed a Vice President of the Privy Council (Cabinet)
- 1926 Apr 23 Appointed a Councillor (Gijo-Kan) (Cabinet)
- 1926 May 13 Appointed as the Head of the Religious System Investigation Committee (Cabinet)
- 1926 May 18 Released as the Vice President of the Temporary Law Investigation Committee (Cabinet)
Appointed the President of the Temporary Investigation Committee (Cabinet)
- 1926 Oct 27 The Imperial Household Investigation Committee and the Temporary Investigation Committee on Successive Emperor's History were abolished by the 15th Article of the Imperial Household Act
- 1926 Oct 28 Created a Baron for distinguished services
- 1927 Apr 16 Granted a set of gold cups in recognition of his services as a member of the Investigation Committee of the Code of Civil Procedure
- 1927 Dec 15 Promoted to the 2nd Court Rank, Junior Grade (Bureau of Decorations)
- 1927 Dec 30 Appointed a Court Official of the Coronation Commission;
Accorded the treatment due to officials of the Shinnin rank (A direct Imperial Appointment) (Cabinet)

1928 Apr 21 Granted the Grand Cordon of the Rising Sun with the Pavlovia Flower in recognition of his services as President and Vice President of the Temporary Law Investigation Committee

1928 Oct 29 Ordered to be in the retinue of the Coronation Commission (Cabinet)

1928 Dec 28 Granted a set of gold cups

1929 Jan 15 The Coronation Commissioner System was abolished

1929 May 13 Released automatically as President of the Temporary Law Investigation Committee because the system was abolished;
Appointed the President of the Law Investigation Committee (Cabinet)

1929 Sep 21 Appointed President of the Revision Committee on Administrative Litigation Law and Appeal Laws (Cabinet)

1929 Dec 10 Appointed a member of the Shrine System Investigation Committee (Cabinet)

1931 Aug 13 Appointed President of the Shrine System Investigation Committee;
Released as a member of the Shrine System Investigation Committee (Cabinet)

1934 Dec 28 Promoted to the 2nd Court Rank, Senior Grade

1935 Oct 26 Appointed to the government committee of the permanent Arbitration Committee between Japan and Holland

1936 Jan 15 Granted a silver cup with the Imperial Crest and an Imperial grant for food and drinks on becoming 70 years of age (Cabinet)

1934 Apr 29 Granted set of gold cups by the Emperor

1936 Mar 13 Appointed the Head of the Privy Council (Cabinet)

1936 Feb 26 Appointed President of the Kings and Royal Family Investigation Committee (Imperial Household)

1936 Apr 1 Released by his request as a member of the government committee on the Permanent Arbitration Committee between Japan and Holland (Cabinet)

1936 Apr 6 Appointed as a Councillor (Gijokan) (Cabinet)

1936 May 29 Released as President of the Shrine System Investigation Committee by his request (Cabinet)

1938 Sep 15 Granted a set of silver cups (Law Investigation Committee)

1939 Jan 5 Appointed Premier (Cabinet);
Released automatically as President of the Kings and Royal Family Investigation Committee

1939 Aug 30 Released from the principal post (Cabinet)

1939 Sep 6 Accorded the treatment due his latest position as a special favor (Cabinet)

1940 Dec 6 Appointed as Minister without Portfolio (Cabinet)

1940 Dec 21 Appointed as a Home Minister (Cabinet)

1941 May 7 Ordered to serve on the Civil Service Committee (Cabinet)

1941 Jun 18 Appointed as a Minister without Portfolio (Cabinet)

- 1941 Oct 18 Released from the principal post at his request (Cabinet);
Specially accorded the treatment of a former Premier
(Cabinet)
- 1942 Aug 28 Ordered to be dispatched to China as the Special Envoy
of good will
- 1942 Oct 14 Released from his post on completion of the duty (Cabinet)
- 1945 Apr 9 Appointed Head of the Privy Council (Cabinet)
- 1945 Jun 8 Appointed as a Councillor (Gijokan) (Cabinet)
- 1945 Dec 15 Released from the principal post at his request (Cabinet)

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