






Translation of The Seal of the Kodenkan

The official documents from the Kodenkan Dōjō of Professor Henry S. Okazaki contained the seal shown here:



The seals used in Japanese documents are officially registered and are considered equivalent to signatures. Typically, these seals used the ancient representations of the Chinese characters and thus are sometimes difficult to read. The above seal is made up of the following characters:

 館 Kan*, school	 古 Ko, ancient
 之 No, of	 傳 Den, tradition
 印 In, seal	

The seal would be read in Japanese as, “Ko Den Kan No In”, and translates to “seal of the ancient tradition school.”

*Note: Professor Okazaki used both 館 and 館 at various times as the kanji for “Kan”. They both have essentially the same meaning of large building, palace or mansion.