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Jae Min Jeon is a partner at Shin & Kim's International Dispute Resolution Practice Group.

Mr. Jeon has represented major corporate clients across a wide range of industries in arbitration and multi-jurisdictional court proceedings, with a particular focus on disputes relating to cross-border M&A transactions and in-bound and outbound investments.

Prior to joining Shin & Kim, Mr. Jeon served as a public-service judge advocate at the Ministry of Justice for three years and represented the Korean government in civil and administrative court proceedings. Mr. Jeon also completed an LL.M. at Stanford University and worked as an international associate in the Hong Kong office of Linklaters.

Mr. Jeon is listed on the KCAB's Panel of International Arbitrators. He was also a Director of International Affairs at the Seoul Bar Association (2017-2018).

Korea Law Awards has nominated Mr. Jeon as a "Dispute Resolution Lawyer of the Year" in 2023. His written and oral advocacy has been described as "one of the finest, if not the finest, in Korea" by Chambers Asia Pacific (2024). Mr. Jeon has also been noted for his "exceptional client service", "a sharp legal mind" and as "one of the pre-eminent practitioners in Korea" by The Legal 500 (2024).

Professional Career

2017-2018	Director of International Affairs, Seoul Bar Association
2013-2014	Secondment in Linklaters, Hong Kong Office
2013	Passed the New York and California State Bar Examination
2010-2011	Secondment in GE Capital
2007-Present	Shin & Kim LLC

2004-2007	Public-Service Judge Advocate, Ministry of Justice
2002-2004	Judicial Research & Training Institute, Supreme Court of Korea

Key Experience

- Represent a Korean electric power generation public utility in an investment treaty dispute against the Government of India relating to the power plant in which it invested (UNCITRAL arbitration)
- Represented a leading Korean metals manufacturer in defense of a product liability and indemnity claim brought by a U.S. company (CISG and U.S. state law; ICC arbitration; Geneva seat)
- Represent a Korean government agency against a major European manufacturer in a naval procurement dispute involving an allegedly defective motor (Korean law; KCAB arbitration; Seoul seat)
- Represented a leading Asian private equity in a dispute arising over its sale of one of the largest logistics companies in Korea to another major private equity company (Korean and Hong Kong law; HKIAC arbitration; Hong Kong seat) (co-counsel)
- Represent a Korean construction conglomerate against a Middle Eastern construction company relating to a delay and disruption claim (English law; ICC arbitration; Singapore seat)
- Represent a Korean construction conglomerate in dispute with European electrical engineering conglomerate regarding breaches of a consortium agreement (Swiss law; Singapore seat)
- Represent a state-owned nuclear energy company in defense of claims relating to payment for replacement parts (Korean law; KCAB arbitration; Seoul seat)
- Represent investors in the first two investor-state treaty disputes involving Korea (ICSID arbitration; Washington, DC seat) (co-counsel)
- Represent wind-power generation system manufacturer in dispute against major European component manufacturer (Swiss law; ICC arbitration; Seoul seat)
- Represent a Korean can lid manufacturer in a dispute against an Iranian company (Iranian law; KCAB arbitration; Seoul seat)
- Represented a Malaysian car dealership in defense of claims brought by a Korean conglomerate regarding liability under credit facility agreements (Korean law; two KCAB arbitrations; Seoul seat)
- Represented a Korean photovoltaic inverter manufacturer in a dispute against a Thai company relating to liability for destruction of goods (Korean law; KCAB arbitration; Seoul seat)
- Represent a Korean video game company in separate disputes against Chinese companies regarding intellectual property infringement and other issues (Korean law or Singapore law; three ICC or SIAC arbitrations; Singapore seat) (co-counsel)
- Represented a UK-based company in a dispute arising from environment-related liabilities affecting a factory in Korea (Korean and Delaware law; ICC arbitration; Singapore seat)
- Represent a Kuwaiti cosmetics distributor in a contract termination dispute against a Korean cosmetics company (Korean and Kuwaiti law; KCAB arbitration; Seoul seat)

- Represented a Korean real estate investment entity in a dispute over hotel management (Korean law; KCAB arbitration; Seoul seat)
- Represented Korean home goods entrepreneur in defense of contractual claims brought by a U.S. contractual counterpart (Korean law; KCAB arbitration; Seoul seat)
- Represent a Mauritian investor against a Korean clothing company regarding in a dispute relating to a share purchase agreement (Korean law; SIAC arbitration; Singapore seat)
- Represent a Korean tire-manufacturing company in its defense of claims brought by a Turkish company under an exclusive distribution agreement (Korean law; KCAB arbitration; Seoul seat)
- Represent a Korean machine tool manufacturer in a dispute arising from an exclusive distribution agreement with a US distributor (Korean law; KCAB arbitration; Chicago seat)
- Represented a Korean construction conglomerate in a dispute regarding the procurement of a gas turbine from a major European manufacturer (Korean law; ICC arbitration; Singapore seat)
- Represented US-based renewable energy company in defense of a dispute brought against it by a Korean conglomerate relating to alleged breach of warranty and payment obligations under a supply contract (Korean law; KCAB arbitration; Seoul seat)
- Represent a Korean company in defense of claims raised by an Indonesian national gas company relating the supply of gas pipes (Indonesian law; SIAC arbitration; Singapore seat)
- Represent Korean conglomerates and other clients in litigations throughout the world; represent foreign (non-Korean) clients in litigation matters in Korea
- Represented foreign clients in litigation in Korean courts

Education

2013	Stanford Law School (LL.M.)
2007	Seoul National University Graduate School of Law (LL.M. coursework completed)
2002	Seoul National University College of Law (LL.B.)

Qualifications

2009	Certified Tax Accountant, Korea
2009	Admitted to patent bar, Korea
2004	Admitted to bar, Korea

Languages

Korean, English

Professional Activities

- The Legal 500 Country Comparative Guides – International Arbitration 2024: Korea Chapter (Co-authored)
- GAR Know-how – Commercial Arbitration 2024: South Korea (Co-authored)
- GAR Know-how – Commercial Arbitration 2023: South Korea (Co-authored)
- KCAB International, Korean Arbitration Review (12th Issue) – The Use of Virtual Hearings in Korea-Seated Arbitration Proceedings: Are There Risks to Enforcement? (April 2021) (Co-authored)
- Burford Quarterly, “Legal finance in Korea: Lawyers weigh in”, Autumn 2019 (interview)
- KCAB International, Korean Arbitration Review – Seoul IDRC Lecture Series: “Arbitration in the Time of One Belt One Road” (2017) (Co-authored)
- Law Business Research – The Foreign Investment Regulation Review (4th ed.): South Korea (2016) (Co-authored)
- The Asian Lawyer – Korea’s Global Ambitions: South Korea (July 2015)

Professional Accolades

- "Leading Individual" for International Arbitration, Legal500, 2021-2025 / "Recommended Lawyer" for International Arbitration, Legal500, 2018-2020
- "Leading Individual" for Dispute Resolution: Arbitration, Chambers Global/Chambers Asia, 2019-2025
- "Dispute Resolution Lawyer of the Year", ALB Korea Law Awards, 2023
- "Leading Lawyer" for Dispute Resolution, Asialaw Profiles, 2019-2024
- "Best Lawyer" for International Trade, Lawtimes, 2020, 2022
- "Leading Lawyer" for International Arbitration, Legal Times, 2017, 2019-2022