



Tae Seung Kim

Partner

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Mr. Tae Seung Kim is a partner at Shin & Kim and his practice focuses on responding to police investigations, corporate criminal cases, serious disaster cases, and construction real estate disputes.

Based on his experience in investigating various crimes as an economic crime investigator (judicial police officer), Mr. Kim has a high level of expertise in handling police investigations, and he has obtained non-indictment decisions in a number of police cases, such as a case of violation of the Act on the Aggravated Punishment of Specific Economic Crimes by a large corporation (fraud) and a case involving occupational negligence resulting in death. He has also won acquittals in high-profile cases such as murder cases through his sophisticated legal arguments. Mr. Kim was recognized as a “Rising Star” in Corporate Criminal Law by Legal Times in 2023, and as the Best Lawyer in Criminal Law by Hankyung Business in 2023 and as the Best Lawyer in Serious Accidents in 2024.

Mr. Kim currently serves as the Secretary of the Serious Accident Center at Shin & Kim, where he plays a pivotal role in responding to major cases of serious accidents. In particular, he organizes and dispatches a response team that can be sent to the site immediately in the event of a serious accident. Before the on-site team arrives, he coordinates video conferences or conference calls with clients to ensure the fastest and most accurate initial response. He also provides comprehensive legal advice on serious industrial accidents. He recently developed a serious accident simulation training program that simulates investigation scenarios following an accident. This program helps companies identify and improve weaknesses in their safety and health management systems, and has been well received by several major clients such as Logistics Company S and Advertising Agency J. He also frequently conducts lectures and on-site inspections in the area of serious public accidents that are expected to be the subject of police investigations.

With extensive experience and exceptional expertise in serious industrial accident cases, he is highly regarded for providing the fastest and most accurate initial investigation response services when such accidents occur. He is also praised for his ability to quickly grasp the facts and the direction of the investigation, analyze the relevant legal principles, and formulate a systematic defense strategy. In addition, clients are highly satisfied with his prompt responses to their inquiries and his active response to civil, administrative, and other related inquiries arising from criminal cases.

Mr. Kim was recognized by Hankyung Business as the Best Lawyer in Serious Accidents in 2024, by Hankyung Business as the Best Lawyer in Criminal Law in 2023, and by Legal Times as a “Rising Star” in Corporate Criminal Law in 2023.

Professional Career

2021-Present	Deliberation Member of Reduction of Traffic Congestion Imposition, Seodaemun-gu Office
2020	Deliberation Member of Special Promotion for Contributing to the Arrest of Election Criminals, National Police Agency
2014-Present	Shin & Kim LLC
2008-2011	Economic Crime Investigation Team, Incheon Western Police Station, Incheon District Police Agency
2006-2008	Gyeonggi District Police Agency
2006	Police Inspector

Key Experience

- Represented Hospital B in a case involving violations of the Serious Accidents Punishment Act and the Occupational Safety and Health Act, and occupational negligence resulting in death.
- Represented Construction Company G in a case involving violations of the Serious Accidents Punishment Act and the Occupational Safety and Health Act, and occupational negligence resulting in death.
- Represented Construction Company E in a case involving violations of the Serious Accidents Punishment Act and the Occupational Safety and Health Act, and occupational negligence resulting in death.
- Represented Construction Company T in a case involving violations of the Serious Accidents Punishment Act and the Occupational Safety and Health Act, and occupational negligence resulting in death.
- Represented Construction Company K in a case involving violations of the Serious Accidents Punishment Act and the Occupational Safety and Health Act, and occupational negligence resulting in death.
- Represented in the Typhoon Hinnamnor Pohang underground parking lot flooding case involving occupational negligence resulting in death.
- Represented Company S in a case on death by occupational negligence at Gasan-dong IDC Center.
- Represented in a case of violation of the Occupational Safety and Health Act and causal of an injury by occupational or gross negligence involving Daegu E Theme Park.
- Represented in a case involving occupational negligence resulting in death of a national public official.
- Represented in a case involving the breakup of the trade union of Company S.
- Represented company A in a case on work interruption by labor union occupying factor, and intrusion into structures, etc.
- Represented Company S in illegal infiltration into headquarter building and work interruption.

- Represented in a case involving a violation (fraud) of the Act on the Aggravated Punishment, etc. of Specific Economic Crimes in the amount of KRW 2.8 trillion relating to a V Digital Currency Exchange.
- Represented in a herbicide murder case in Cheonan
- Represented in a KRW 3.5 trillion bid-rigging case related to the LNG tanks of KOGAS.
- Represented in a contract-related fraud case involving officers/ employees of Resort Y.
- Represented in a case involving Company M in relation to a violation (fraud) of the Act on the Aggravated Punishment, etc. of Specific Economic Crimes and a violation of the Construction Machinery Management Act

Education

2019-2020	U.C. Berkeley School of Law (Visiting Scholar)
2011-2014	Yonsei University Law School (J.D., 2014)
2002-2006	Korea National Police University, Department of Law (LL.M., 2006)

Qualifications

2014	Admitted to bar, Korea
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Languages

Korean, English

Professional Accolades

- "Rising Star" for Business Crime Defence, Legal Times, 2023 / "Leading Lawyer" for Business Crime Defence, Legal Times, 2026
 - "Best Lawyer" for Serious Accident 2024-2025, Hankyung Business
 - "Best Lawyer" for Criminal Law 2023, Hankyung Business
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