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Mr. Junghwan Lee is a partner at Shin & Kim.

Before joining Shin & Kim, Mr. Lee served as a prosecutor for over 20 years. During his career as a prosecutor, Mr. Lee focused his career on financial and economic investigations and gained extensive experience and knowledge in this field while serving in the Financial Tax Investigation Division of Seoul Central District Prosecutors' Office and the Joint Investigation Team of the Corruption of Savings Banks, and as a legal advisor to the Financial Services Commission and 2nd Deputy Prosecutor General at Seoul Southern District Prosecutors' Office.

Mr. Lee has also held other important prosecutorial positions including the Protection Legal System Manager at the Ministry of Justice, 1st Director of Criminal Litigation and Director of Forensic Analysis at Supreme Prosecutors' Office, 1st Deputy Prosecutor General at Daegu District Prosecutors' Office, and head of Ansan Branch of Suwon District Prosecutors' Office. Moreover, Mr. Lee has expertise on Japanese-related matters as he had the opportunity to work in Japan as a visiting researcher at Keio University in Japan and in the Korean Consulate General in Osaka, Japan.

Professional Career

2022-Present	Shin & Kim LLC
2021	Head, Ansan Branch of Suwon District Prosecutors' Office
2020.9	1st Deputy Prosecutor General, Daegu District Prosecutors' Office
2020.2	2nd Deputy Prosecutor General, Seoul Southern District Prosecutors' Office
2019	1st General Director of Criminal Litigation, Incheon District Prosecutors' Office
2018	Director of Forensic Analysis, Supreme Prosecutors' Office
2017	1st Director of Criminal Litigation, Daegu District Prosecutors' Office
2016	Head, Andong Branch of Daegu District Prosecutors' Office

2015	Protection Legal System Manager, Ministry of Justice
2014	Legal Advisor, Financial Services Commission
2013	Senior Prosecutor, Busan District Prosecutors' Office
2012	Legal Advisor, Korean Consulate General in Osaka
2011	Prosecutor, Joint Investigation Team, Corruption of Savings Banks
2011	Prosecutor, 1st Financial Tax Investigation Division, Seoul Central District Prosecutors' Office
2009	Prosecutor, Prosecutors' Bureau, Ministry of Justice
2006	Prosecutor, Incheon District Prosecutors' Office
2005	Prosecutor, Pohang Branch of Daegu District Prosecutors' Office
2003	Prosecutor, Eastern Branch of Busan District Prosecutors' Office
2001	Public-service advocate
2000	Judical Research & Training Institute of the Supreme Court of Korea

Key Experience

- Advised on an independent counsel investigation related to a domestic e-commerce company's failure to pay retirement benefits
- Advised on an independent counsel investigation related to a mobility platform company's breach of trust in connection with an investment
- Represented a former executive of an entertainment agency in a case involving occupational breach of trust
- Advised on a stock price manipulation case involving a domestic IT company's affiliate shares
- Advised on the Daejang-dong development scandal
- Advised on the Seongnam FC illegal sponsorship case

Education

2022	Seoul National University School of Law, Finance Law Course
2009	Keio University (Visiting Scholar)
1995	Seoul National University College of Social Science (B.A., Economics)

Qualifications

2000	Admitted to bar, Korea

Languages

Korean, Japanese, English

Professional Accolades

- "Leading Lawyer" for Business Crime Defence, Legal Times, 2026
- "Best Lawyer" for Criminal Law, Hankyung Business, 2025

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