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Mr. KS Kim is a senior foreign attorney at Shin & Kim who advises domestic and international clients on a broad range of matters, including mergers and acquisitions, private equity transactions, joint ventures, overseas investments, and other complex financial transactions.

Mr. Kim has more than 22 years of experience as a corporate and M&A lawyer in the United States, Hong Kong, and South Korea. He represents private equity funds and multinational corporations in a wide array of transactional matters, with a particular focus on cross-border mergers and acquisitions, private equity investments, and corporate governance. His practice includes advising on sophisticated, multi-jurisdictional transactions and providing strategic counsel throughout all stages of the deal lifecycle.

Prior to joining Shin & Kim, he worked at Kadence Capital, Bae, Kim & Lee, Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer, White & Case, Linklaters, and DLA Piper, where he led a wide range of major domestic and cross-border transactions. He has extensive experience advising global private equity funds and major Korean companies on acquisitions, disposals, and investments.

Professional Career

2026-Present	Shin & Kim LLC
2025-2026	Kadence Capital
2020-2025	Bae, Kim & Lee LLC
2019-2020	Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer LLP
2015-2019	White & Case LLP
2007-2015	Linklaters LLP
2003-2007	DLA Piper LLP

Professional Affiliations

2024-Present	External Director, IHC Co. Ltd.
2023-Present	External Director, Infac Co. Ltd.
2022-2023	Statutory Auditor, A TwoSome Place Co. Ltd.
2019-2023	External Director, Acuon Savings Bank
2017-2023	Board of Trustee, Kookmin University

Key Experience

- KKR on its acquisition of Taeyoung Industry
- Carlyle on its acquisition of Twosome Place
- Hankook & Company on its acquisition of the controlling interest in Precisely Microtechnology Corporation
- Emart on its acquisition of eBay Korea
- Affinity Equity Partners on its acquisition of JobKorea
- CS Wind on its acquisition of Vestas Towers America
- Affinity Equity Partners on its investment in Shinhan Financial Group
- Baring Private Equity Asia on its acquisition and sale of Logen Co., Ltd.
- Baring Private Equity Asia and its co-investor, Glenwood Private Equity on their acquisition of Lafarge Halla Cement Corp. from LafargeHolcim Ltd.
- Standard Chartered Private Equity on its acquisition of aseptic bottling business from Hyosung Corporation
- Standard Chartered Private Equity on its acquisition of Mad for Garlic restaurant business
- Affinity Equity Partners on its divestment of Oriental Brewery (together with KKR) to Anheuser-Busch InBev
- Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd. and Samsung Display Co. Ltd. on their divestment of their display business unit to Amazon.com, Inc.
- E-Land World Ltd. on its acquisition of K-Swiss, Inc.
- Standard Chartered Private Equity and Smoothie Korea, Inc. on its acquisition of Smoothie USA, Inc.
- Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd. on its acquisition of Liquavista BV and its subsidiaries in the UK and Hong Kong
- Affinity Equity Partners in its acquisition of TheFaceShop

Education

2003	University of Michigan Law School (J.D.)
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1999 Johns Hopkins University (B.A.)

Qualifications

2003 Admitted to bar, New York

Languages

Korean, English

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