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Mr. Seong-Jin Choi is a partner of Shin & Kim and his major practice areas include corporate crime, high-tech crime, financial crime, money laundering, intellectual property rights, personal information protection, information and communications, forensic science, etc.

Starting his career as a prosecutor at the Seoul District Prosecutors' Office in 1997, Mr. Choi had been in charge of special investigations at Northern Branch of the Seoul District Prosecutors' Office, Suwon District Prosecutors' Office, etc. In particular, he investigated politicians and large corporations as a member of the presidential election funds investigation team of the Central Investigation Unit of the Supreme Prosecutors' Office. In addition, he participated in the implementation project for Korea Information System of Criminal-Justice Services (KICS) of the police, prosecution service, courts and the Ministry of Justice and was dispatched to the Special Prosecutors' Office on DDos, while accumulating experience in forensic science including information and communications and digital forensic science and in cybercrime investigation, serving as Digital Forensic Science Officer and Forensic Science Planning Officer at the Supreme Prosecutors' Office.

In addition, Mr. Choi worked at the Korea Financial Intelligence Unit of the Financial Services Commission, engaging in the anti-money laundering task, such as the analysis of illegal financial transaction and foreign exchange transaction.

工作经历

2026-Present	Chair, Steering Committee, E-Discovery Standardization Forum
2024-2025	Member, 6th Anti-Corruption & Civil Rights Advisory Committee, Anti-Corruption & Civil Rights Commission
2023-Present	Vice President, Korean Digital Forensics Society
2021-2023	Advisor, Anti-Corruption and Compliance Academy, Yonsei University Institute for Legal Studies
2019-2022	Chairman, 4th DNA-DB Management Committee under the Prime Minister's Office

2019-2021	Integrity Ombudsman, Korea Asset Management Corporation
2015-Present	Member, Prosecutorial Informatization Development Advisory Committee, Supreme Prosecutors' Office
2015-Present	Member, Policy Research Review Committee, Supreme Prosecutors' Office
2015-2017	Member, Anti-Money Laundering Policy Advisory Committee, Financial Intelligence Unit
2014-Present	Shin & Kim LLC
2014	Officer of Forensic Science Planning, Supreme Prosecutor's Office
2013	Chief, Criminal Department 1, Suwon District Prosecutors' Office
2012	Head, Hongseong Branch, Daejeon District Prosecutors' Office
2012	Dispatched to Special Prosecutor Office of Cyber Terrorism against the Central Election Management Committee
2011	Chief, Criminal Department 3, Busan District Prosecutors' Office
2010	Chief, Review and Analysis Office, Financial Services Commission (FSC)
2009	Digital Forensic Science Officer, Supreme Prosecutors' Office
2008	Prosecutor Professor, Legal Research and Training Institute
2007	Senior Prosecutor, Yeoju Branch, Suwon District Prosecutors' Office
2005	Planning and Management Director, Taskforce of Criminal Justice Integrative Intelligence, Ministry of Justice
2004	Prosecutor, Suwon District Prosecutors' Office; Researcher, Planning and Coordination Division at the Supreme Prosecutors' Office
2003	Researcher, Central Investigation Division at the Prosecutor-General´s Office
2000	Prosecutor, Northern Branch, Seoul District Prosecutors' Office
1999	Prosecutor, Jecheon Branch, Cheongju District Prosecutors' Office
1997	Prosecutor, Seoul District Prosecutors' Office
1994-1997	Judge Advocate, Republic of Korea Army
1992-1994	Judicial Research & Training Institute, Supreme Court of Korea

主要业绩

Corruption Crimes such as Corporate Crimes, Bribery, and Financial Crimes

- Specialized in special investigations at the Central Investigation Division, Seoul Northern District Prosecutors' Office, Suwon District Prosecutors' Office, etc.
- Advised on case of embezzlement and breach of trust relating to officers and employees of major retail distributors, telecommunication companies, banks, hospitals and state-owned companies

- Advised on case of violations of the Financial Investment Services and Capital Markets Act, including insider trading or stock price manipulation relating to large companies
- Advised on case of corruption, including bribery, relating to parliamentarians, mayors, professors, public educational officials, police officers, banks and officers and employees of construction companies

Industrial Secrets Protection, Trade Secret Infringement, Personal Information Protection, and Intellectual Property Rights

- Specialized in intellectual property rights at the Criminal Division VI of the Seoul District Prosecutors' Office
- Advised major telecommunication companies, retail distributors, multinational travel agencies and HR companies on case of infringement of personal information
- Advised a mid-sized company and a cosmetics company on case of infringement of business secrets
- Advised on case of fraud and violations of the Act on Promotion of Information and Communications Network Utilization and Information Protection relating to virtual currency IOC and hacking

Election Act, Collective Action, and Labor-Management Relations

- Advised on case of violations of the Election Commission Act relating to various elective offices, including the parliamentarian and union president
- Represented in civil and criminal disputes regarding the relocation of the Noryangjin Fish Market
- Represented in civil and criminal disputes within a religious foundation
- Represented in an unfair dismissal retrial case following the dismissal of an employee
- Represented in a criminal case for violation of the Labor Standards Act of a medium-sized company

Foreign Exchange, Anti-money Laundering, Virtual Currency

- Represented in an internal affairs case of a large church and a medium-sized company in violation of the Foreign Exchange Transactions Act
- Represented in a criminal case of fraud and occupational embezzlement in connection with the issuance of tokens
- Represented in a criminal case involving violation of the Customs Act by an arms importer
- Advised an overseas virtual currency exchange on the Act on Reporting and Using Specified Financial Transaction Information Act

Pharmaceuticals, Medical Devices, and Cosmetics

- Represented in a case where a multi-level cosmetics company was prosecuted for violation of the Cosmetics Act
- Represented in a criminal case against a pharmaceutical company for violation of the Pharmaceutical Affairs Act
- Advised on case of medicine-related rebates, illegal claim for insurance benefits, establishment of a medical

institution by a non-medical practitioner and introduction/brokerage/inducement of patients for profit-making purposes

- Represented in a criminal case against a detoxification company for violation of the Pharmaceutical Affairs Act in connection with its indirect exports
- Advised a foreign company on the Medical Devices Act

Media and Entertainment

- Advised on defamation of celebrities and civil and criminal cases

Cross-border Criminal Matters and E-Discovery

- Advised on internal investigations into a Korean subsidiary of a multinational company and an affiliate of a large company
- Represented in a criminal case against a foreign automotive company for violation of the Motor Vehicle Management Act
- Represented in a criminal case against a multinational online platform company for violation of the Telecommunications Business Act
- Represented a foreign casino company in a criminal investigation
- Represented in an embezzlement case of a Korean subsidiary of a foreign company
- Represented in a fraud case against a foreign food export company
- Represented in a criminal case involving the intimidation of a foreign ambassador to South Korea
- Advised on extradition of officers/employees of a foreign company and advised multinational companies in criminal cases
- Handled e-discovery in connection with a U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) investigation of a Korean conglomerate
- Advised corporate clients on various subjects, including anti-money laundering, FCPA and World Bank sanctions

Compliance, Internal Investigations, and Digital Forensics

- Advised on internal investigation of a Korean subsidiary of a multinational corporation
- Advised on internal investigation of embezzlement in the business affairs of a foreign publishing company
- Advised on PC and server analysis to secure evidence in a virtual currency theft case
- Advised on mobile analysis in a case of secret leakage at a Korean platform company
- Advised on digital forensics for information leakage related to medical device manufacturing
- Advised a multinational online service company on AML/CFT compliance
- Advised a foreign company on anti-corruption compliance

教育背景

2010-2011	Seoul National University School of Law (Ph.D. coursework completed, Commercial Law)
2001-2002	Santa Clara University School of Law (LL.M., Property Rights)
1990-1992	Seoul National University Graduate School of Law (LL.M., Administrative Law)
1984-1990	Seoul National University College of Law (LL.B.)

资格

1994	Admitted to bar, Korea

语言

Korean, English

主要活动

- The Law Review – International Investigations Review 2017-2022: Korea Chapter (Co-authored)
- GIR Insight – GIR Know-How Extradition 2019-2021: Korea Chapter (Co-authored)
- Prevention System of Transactions under Borrowed Name and Money Laundering (Finance Law Center, Seoul National University, BFL Issue no. 46, March, 2011)
- Legal Restrictions on Unauthorized Use of Wireless Internet (Law and Technology vol. 6 Issue no. 3, May, 2010)
- Study on the Patentability of Computer Program (LL.M. Thesis, May 2002)
- Government’s Compensation and Personal Responsibility of Government Official (Master’s Thesis, February 1997)

外部评价

- "Leading Individual" for Dispute Resolution: White Collar Crime, Chambers Asia, 2026
- "Leading Lawyer" for Business Crime Defence, Legal Times, 2026
- "Recommended Lawyer” for Regulatory Compliance and Investigations, Legal500, 2020

- "Leading Individual" for Regulatory Compliance and Investigations, Legal500, 2019

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