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Mr. Seung Hyun Dennis Cho is a senior foreign attorney at Shin & Kim. His practice focuses on general lending transactions for financial institutions, ECA financings, real estate finance, and ship finance. He has accumulated diverse practical and leadership experience at financial institutions and corporations, and advises a wide range of domestic and international clients based on such experience.

Professional Career

2021-Present	Shin & Kim LLC
2020-2021	Executive Director, Sorin Corporation
2015-2020	Shin & Kim LLC
2013-2015	Foreign Attorney, Lee & Ko, Seoul, Korea
2011	Summer Associate, O'Melveny & Myers, California, United States
2010	Law Clerk, City of St. Louis Circuit Court, Missouri, United States
2005-2009	Credit Analyst/RM, Investment Banking, Kookmin Bank, Seoul, Korea

Professional Affiliations

2025-Present	Member, Special Underwriting Committee, Korea Trade Insurance Corporation

Key Experience

- Advised Korea Trade Insurance Corporation on export financing for K-defense exports to Poland.
- Advised Korea Trade Insurance Corporation on financing in connection with Abu Dhabi National Oil Company

(ADNOC) in the UAE.

- Advised Korea Trade Insurance Corporation on financing in connection with Verizon Communications.
- Advised Korea Trade Insurance Corporation and the lender group on financing for Nexen Tire's European manufacturing facilities.
- Advised Korea Trade Insurance Corporation and the lender group on financing for Hanwha Solutions' renewable energy projects in Europe.
- Advised Korea Trade Insurance Corporation and the lender group on financing for SK hynix's acquisition of semiconductor manufacturing equipment.
- Advised domestic and international financial institutions on multiple syndicated loan transactions.
- Advised the lender group on financing for a data center located in Sangam, Seoul.
- Advised the lender group on financing for major office buildings in Seoul, including Seoul Finance Center and Gangnam Finance Center, as well as multiple logistics centers in the Seoul metropolitan area.
- Represented Korea Development Bank in connection with multiple corporate finance and project finance transactions.
- Advised Korea Development Bank and Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA) on matters relating to the Green Climate Fund (GCF).
- Advised multiple domestic financial institutions on foreign currency borrowings.
- Represented Korea Trade Insurance Corporation, Export-Import Bank of Korea, Korea Ocean Business Corporation, and the lender group in connection with multiple ship financing transactions.
- Advised on acquisition financing for multiple cross-border transactions involving Meridian Bioscience, Momentive and Kraton in the United States, as well as Traffix Group in Canada, among others.
- Advised on acquisition financing for multiple domestic transactions involving SK Shieldus, SK hynix's acquisition of Intel's NAND flash business, EMK, Burger King Korea, Acuon Capital, A Twosome Place, Outback Steakhouse Korea, and DIG Airgas, among others.
- Advised domestic companies on the establishment of overseas joint ventures and overseas business operations.
- Advised on multiple cross-border fund-of-funds investments.

Education

2012	Washington University in St. Louis, School of Law (J.D.)
2005	Korea University, College of Law (LL.B.)

Qualifications

2013	Admitted to bar, New York

Languages

Korean, English

Professional Activities

- Chambers Global Practice Guides – Acquisition Finance 2026: Korea Chapter (Co-authored)
- Chambers Global Practice Guides – Acquisition Finance 2025: Korea Chapter (Co-authored)
- Chambers Global Practice Guides – Acquisition Finance 2024: Korea Chapter (Co-authored)
- Chambers Global Practice Guides – Acquisition Finance 2023: Korea Chapter (Co-authored)
- The Private Equity Review (8th edition) Part I, Fundraising - "Korea" chapter, Law Business Research, 2019 (co-authored)

Professional Accolades

- "Leading Lawyer" for Banking and Finance, IFLR1000, 2023-2025

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