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Seongsoo Han is a partner at Shin & Kim and specializes in civil and commercial litigation relating to the Financial Investment Services and Capital Markets Act or the Monopoly Regulation and Fair Trade Act and corporate and financial criminal cases, including finance-related lawsuits, including those relating to securities, funds and financial derivatives, lawsuits relating to the Companies Acts, including those on corporate governance or disputes over managerial disputes, delisting, accounting fraud such as window dressing and collusive tendering.

Mr. Han began his judicial career as judge of the Seoul District Court and then served as judge and chief judge of courts of different levels, including the Seoul High Court and the Anyang Branch of the Suwon District Court, and worked as senior researcher of the Judicial Policy Research Institute of the Supreme Court, and after wrapping up his judicial career as chief judge of the Seoul Central District Court, Mr. Han started working as partner of Shin & Kim in March 2022.

In particular, Mr. Han intensively handled various economy-related cases in connection with corporate and/or financial affairs while serving as chief judge of the single criminal justice division of the Seoul Central District Court exclusively in charge of economy-related cases and cases on infringements of business secrets and as chief judge of the civil settlement division of the Seoul Central District Court exclusively in charge of corporate cases and carved out a brilliant judicial career not only in civil/commercial litigation but also in criminal justice as he served as judge of a division exclusively in charge of appeal cases, including those on provisional disposition, and a civil division of the Seoul High Court and as chief judge exclusively in charge of warrant-related affairs and chief judge of a single criminal justice division of the Pohang Branch of the Daegu District Court.

Professional Career

2022-Present	Shin & Kim LLC
2020-2022	Chief Judge, Seoul Central District Court
2018-2020	Senior Researcher, Judicial Policy Research Institute (Adjunct, District Court Chief Judge)

2017-2018	Chief Judge, Anyang Branch of Suwon District Court
2015-2017	Chief Judge, Pohang Branch of Daegu District Court
2014-2015	Judge, Seoul Central District Court
2012-2014	Judge, Seoul High Court
2010-2012	Judge, Seoul Southern District Court
2009-2010	Judge, Seoul Eastern District Court
2007-2009	Judge, Suwon District Court
2004-2007	Judge, Chungju Branch of Cheongju District Court
2002-2004	Judge, Northern Branch of Seoul District Court
2000-2002	Judge, Seoul District Court
1997-2000	Judicial Research & Training Institute of the Supreme Court of Korea

Key Experience

- Advised on Capital Markets Act violation issues related to bond-type wrap products purchased by institutional investors from large domestic banks
- Advised on claim for damages filed by investors against domestic securities companies in relation to discretionary sales
- Advised on disputes related to the settlement of convertible bonds and stocks acquired by a foreign biotech company in return for transferring intellectual property rights, etc. to a domestic company
- Represented client in a lawsuit seeking invalidation of termination of a deposit contract against a large domestic bank claiming phishing as the cause of withdrawal of deposits
- Advised on post-management of several insolvent offshore PEF worth hundreds of billions of Won sold by domestic financial institutions to retail investors
- Advised on and represented client in a dispute related to the transfer of the merchandise coupon business
- Advised on and represented client in a dispute over attribution of liability and settlement of payments for defects related to the sale and purchase of multiple large used ships
- Represented client in a dispute on the settlement of investment shares of domestic joint venture companies invested by foreign real estate companies in connection with large-scale new city development projects
- Represented client in claim for damages related to violation of the Labeling and Advertising Act by domestic telecommunications companies
- Represented client in a dispute related to the invalidation of BW issued by medical device manufacturers listed on the KOSDAQ
- Represented client in a claim for damages related to defects in ships manufactured and supplied to the Navy by a large domestic shipbuilder

- Represented client in a claim for damages filed by securities companies that sold the Lime Fund against asset management companies
- Represented client in a claim for damages seeking the payment of difference from the virtual competitive price in relation to collusion over LPG gas supplied to the military

Education

2009-2010	Stanford Law School (Visiting Scholar)
1991-1995	Seoul National University Graduate school of Economics (coursework completed)
1987-1991	Seoul National University College of Social Sciences, Department of Economics (B.A.)

Qualifications

2000	Admitted to bar, Korea
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Languages

Korean, English

Professional Activities

- Research on an international method of measuring the degree of confidence in the judicial system (Judicial Policy Research Institute(Chief Researcher), 2018)
 - Economic analysis of the extinctive prescription system (Material for presentation at a monthly conference of the Korea Law & Economics Association, 2012)
 - Influences of the presentation of opinions by a judge on the practice and strategy of litigation of a person involved in the relevant litigation: Primarily in connection with incentive and elimination of uncertainty in information (Material for presentation at the LEC regular seminar in 2011, 2011)
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