

# Beom Hee KIM

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Mr. Beom Hee Kim graduated from Seoul National University (B.A. and M.A. in Engineering) and passed the Korean Bar Examination in 1997. Since 2000, he has been advising and representing clients in all areas of intellectual property (IP) law, including patents, trade secrets, trademarks, designs, and copyrights, as well as in IT-related matters such as software, internet, telecommunications, broadcasting, and gaming. Mr. Kim has previously served as Legal Counsel to the National Research Council of Science & Technology (NST) and its 23 affiliated research institutes, Vice President of the Korea Intellectual Property Lawyers Association (KIPLA), Director of the Korean Patent Bar Association, Vice President of the Intellectual Property Community of the Seoul Bar Association, and Expert Appraiser for the Korea Copyright Commission.

Mr. Kim is widely recognized for his exceptional ability to elucidate complex technical issues for judges and investigative authorities. Leveraging his extensive experience in advising on and litigating disputes across diverse industrial technology sectors, he frequently delivers lectures to corporations, universities, government agencies, industry associations, bar associations, and LAWnB. His presentations are consistently commended for rendering intricate topics accessible to non-specialists.

In 2009, Mr. Kim was distinguished as the leading intellectual property lawyer in "70 Leading Specialist Lawyers of Korea," published by The Seoul Shinmun. He has been featured in numerous prominent media outlets, including Korea Economic Daily, Seoul Economic Daily, The Law Times, and Electronic Times. He was also recognized by Legal Times as the "Lawyer of the Year" in 2019 and has been named the "Intellectual Property Lawyer of the Year" for eight consecutive years since 2017.

In addition to his role with JIPYONG IP, Mr. Kim also serves as the head of the Jipyong Technology Center, established in 2025. Drawing upon decades of experience advising companies of varying sizes across multiple industries on technology-related legal matters and disputes, Mr. Kim is committed to delivering an elevated

standard of service in technology-related corporate management and dispute resolution.

#### **Education**

1993 Seoul National University, Graduate School of Engineering (M.S.) 1991 Seoul National University (B.S. in Mechanical Engineering)

### **Experience**

2025-Present	JIPYONG LLC
2018-2019	Improvement Committee Member, Seoul Central District Court, IP Litigation
2018	Completed the Korea Commercial Arbitration Board International Arbitration Expert Course
2017-2018	Integrity Ombudsman, Korea Internet & Security Agency
2013	Director, Korean Patent Attorney Association
2013	Expert Member, The Federation of Korean Industries CFO's Law Academy
2012-2018	Mediator, E-Commerce Mediation Committee
2012	Examiner, Bar Exam
2011-2025	Partner, Kim, Choi & Lim
2010	Summer IELE course at U.C. Berkeley (Patent)
2008-2011	JIPYONG LLC
2007-2009	Adjunct Professor, Dankook University College of Law (Intellectual Property Rights)
2000-2008	Partner, Kim, Choi & Lim
2000	Judicial Research and Training Institute, Supreme Court of Korea

### **Honors and Recognitions**

2017-2024	Leading Lawyer in Intellectual Property Practice, Legal Times
2018	Lawyer of the Year in IP Practice, Legal Times

# **Speaking Engagements and Publications**

2018	Protection Measures for Computer Programs Based on the Patent Act and the Unfair
	Competition Prevention Act (2018 Judicial Training Advanced Course Research Papers, Judicial
	Research and Training Institute)
2014	Components of Applications and Publications Violating Advance Succession Agreements on
	Employees' Inventions and Breach of Trust (The Lawyer)
2012	Abuse of Rights Complaints Due to Invalidation of Trademark in a Trademark Infringement Suit

	(Study on Judicial Precedent 26(2), Seoul Bar Association)
2011	Criteria for Distinguishing Range of Similarity of Figurative Marks and Design Use (Study on
	Judicial Precedent 25(2), Seoul Bar Association)
2010	A Study on the Requirements for Business Method Patent (Study on Judicial Precedent 24(2),
	Seoul Bar Association)
2008	A study on an assessment of reasonable remuneration from an employer when it takes
	assignment of rights of employees' in-service inventions (Study on Judicial Precedent 22(2),
	Seoul Bar Association)
2007	Protection of Confidential and Personal Information Pursuant to the Act on Promotion of
	Information and Communications Network Utilization and Information Protection, etc. (Study
	on Judicial Precedent 22(1), Seoul Bar Association)
2006	Appeal to Compulsory Administrative Proceeding under UDRP (The Lawyer)
2005	Deciding When a Well-Knownness is Endowed and Granting of Prior User Rights in Good Will,
	Under Article 2-1 Ga Mok of Unfair Competition Prevention Act (Study on Judicial Precedent
	22(1), Seoul Bar Association)
2004	Basis for Issuing the Right to Claim Job Change Prohibition for Trade Secret Protection, Case
	study (Study on Judicial Precedent 18(1), Seoul Bar Association
2004	The Protection of Product Type under the Law on Unfair Competition and Trade Secret
	Protection Act (February Edition for Patent, Korea Invention Promotion Association
1999	Research on Patent System from an Economic Perspective (Judicial Research and Training
	Institute)
1993	An Investigation on Precision Milling Using Ceramic Tools (Thesis for Master's Degree at Seoul
	National University)

### **Notable Achievements**

# **Bar Admissions & Qualifications**

2000 Korea (Certified Patent Attorney)

### Languages

Korean / English

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