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Mr. Sung Kook Kang completed his training at the Judicial Research and Training Institute in 1991 and served as a judge advocate in the army. Since he joined the bench in 1994, he served as a judge of district court and Seoul High Court, and a law clerk of the Supreme Court. After he served as a presiding judge of the Seoul Central District Court and the Seoul Northern District Court, he retired from the bench and joined Jipyong in March 2015.

In July 2020, Mr. Kang was appointed as the Deputy Minister of Legal Affairs Bureau of the Ministry of Justice and then appointed as the Vice Minister of Justice. From July 2020 to May 2022, he handled an array of matters related to legal affairs and prosecution service, such as government legislation, prosecution service, immigration service, correctional service, crime prevention policies, etc. and came back to JIPYONG in July 2022.

During his 21 years of service as a judge, Mr. Kang handled various cases covering a wide range of areas including civil, criminal, corporate (commercial), finance, family affairs and administrative applications as a judge of Gwangju District Court, Uijeongbu District Court, Seoul Central District Court, Seoul Northern District Court, Seoul High Court, the Supreme Court, and others.

As a presiding judge, Mr. Kang adjudicated civil cases in the areas of finance, damage compensation, real estate, medical malpractice, environment, and international trade. He also handled various cases as a presiding judge responsible for the examination of warrant, a single judge in criminal cases, a presiding judge of the first instance collegiate division, and a presiding judge in appeal cases, etc.

Mr. Kang has also served as professor at the Judicial Research and Training Institute and taught the classes of

2008, 2009 and 2010. All of his students have become judges, prosecutors, and attorneys contributing to the society. In addition, Mr. Kang has acquired a master's degree in competition law and finished doctoral coursework in the Commercial Code.

Education

2006	Visiting Scholar, University of Washington Law School
2005	Korea University, Graduate School of Law (Ph.D., coursework completed, Candidate in Commercial Law)
1991	Korea University (LL.M.)
1988	Korea University (LL.B.)

Experience

2015-Present	JIPYONG LLC
2023-Present	Chairperson, Korean Library Association Legal Committee
2022-2024	Chairperson, 21st Parliamentary Committee on Ethics in Public Life
2022-2023	Advisor, Korea Certified Public Labor Attorneys Association
2021-2022	Vice Minister, Ministry of Justice
2020-2021	Deputy Minister, Legal Affairs Bureau of the Ministry of Justice
2018-2020	Adjunct Professor, Korea University School of law
2017-2020	Member, Central Administrative Appeals Commission
2017-2020	Arbitrator, Korea Commercial Arbitration Board
2015-2020	Member, Electronic Document/E-commerce Dispute Mediation Committee, Ministry of Science and ICT
2015-2020	JIPYONG LLC
2013-2015	Chief Judge, Seoul Northern District Court
2010-2012	Chief Judge, Seoul Central District Court
2009-2010	Chief Judge, Uijeongbu District Court
2007-2008	Professor, the Judicial Research and Training Institute
2006-2007	Chief Judge, Gwangju District Court
2004-2006	Judicial Researcher, the Supreme Court
2002-2004	Judge, Seoul High Court
2001-2002	Judge, Seoul Central District Court
1999-2000	Judge, Uijeongbu Branch Court under Seoul District Court
1998-2014	Head of each Election Commission for Dongducheon-si(1998), Guri-si(2009) and Jungnang-gu, Seoul
1998-1999	Judge, Yeoncheon-gun and Dongducheon-si Court of Uijeongbu Branch Court under Seoul District Court
1996-1997	Judge, Suncheon Branch Court of Gwangju District Court

1994-1995	Judge, Gwangju District Court
1991	Judge Advocate, the Republic of Korea Army
1991	Judicial Research and Training Institute, Supreme Court of Korea

Speaking Engagements and Publications

2023	Financial Consumer Protection Act Commentary (Co-author), Pakyoungsa
2008	The external auditor's liability for damage compensation to a third party
2006	Purpose of having a company to make public announcement and notice when consolidating the shares under the Commercial Code and the effect of consolidation of shares made by a one-man company in fact without the foregoing announcement and notice
2005	Relationship between the dispositions of natural retirement and discipline (whether it is a duplicated discipline) and whether a justifiable cause is required in the case of disposition of natural retirement, annotation on a precedent
2005	He effect of nullification judgment (by a court giving the public notice to urge) made according to the deceptive request of a former bearer of a promissory note (who knew the current bearer who acquired the promissory note by fraud but pretended to have lost the promissory note and not to know its whereabouts), annotation on a precedent
2004	When a debtor purchased and registered a piece of real estate in his/her son's name under the title trust and transferred it through payment in substitutes, whether the plaintiff as the creditor may seek cancellation of the title trust agreement based on a fraudulent act, cancellation of the title transfer registration and execution of title transfer registration assuming the rights of the debtor by subrogation, annotation on a precedent
1998	Circumstances Precluding Wrongfulness Related to Defamation
1997	Crime of Violence and Determination of Punishment
1991	Functions and Problems of Fair Trade Commission of Korea

Bar Admissions & Qualifications

1991	Korea
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Languages

Korean / English