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Mr. Sangyong Jun is a member of Jipyong's Antitrust & Competition Group and International Practice Group. He has successfully resolved major domestic and cross-border disputes, combining rigorous analysis with creative strategies to find a path forward in challenging and complex cases.

Mr. Jun joined Jipyong in 2019 after graduating with distinction from Seoul National University's College of Liberal Studies and School of Law. He has received the Korea Legal Awards three times and presented oral argument at a public hearing before the Supreme Court of Korea in 2024. In 2026, he completed his LL.M. at Yale Law School with outstanding academic results and was admitted to the California Bar.

Mr. Jun is deeply committed to pro bono work, dedicating more than 100 hours annually to public interest matters. His work includes the state liability case arising from the Junggok-dong murder of a homemaker, in which the Supreme Court reversed and remanded; the constitutional challenge to Article 63(1) of the Immigration Act, which resulted in a Constitutional Court ruling of constitutional incompatibility; and the "A Ground Floor for Everyone" case, in which he participated in a Supreme Court public hearing and secured a reversal and final judgment. During his LL.M. studies at Yale, he also explored the disability law, international human rights law, and procedural justice in depth.

Mr. Jun is also a member of Jipyong's AI, Biotechnology & Healthcare Center. He has secured reversals in numerous cases, including a Supreme Court decision reversing and remanding a case concerning the interpretation of the Korean Food Code. In recognition of his work, he received a commendation from the Minister of Food and Drug Safety in 2022 and has since lectured on administrative litigation at the Ministry on multiple occasions. Since 2025,

he has also served on the Ministry's Committee on the Safety Management and Supply of Medical Products for Public Health Crisis Response.

Education

2026	Yale Law School (LL.M.)
2025	Seoul National University, Graduate School of Law (Ph.D., coursework completed, in Civil Law)
2019	Seoul National University, Graduate School of Law (J.D., <i>cum laude</i>)
2016	Seoul National University, College of Liberal Studies (B.A. in Business Administration and Economics, salutatorian)

Experience

2019-Present	JIPYONG LLC
2025-2026	Articles Editor, Yale Journal of International Law
2025-2026	Editor, Yale Journal of Law and the Humanities
2025-2026	Contributor, Thurman Arnold Project at Yale
2020-2022	Researcher, Seoul National University Center for Future Scholars
2017-2018	Research Assistant, Seoul National University Law Research Institute

Representative Matters

[Antitrust & Competition]

- Represented Samsung Electronics in various advisory, mediation, and litigation matters involving Korean competition law
- Represented a venture company in margin-squeeze litigation involving enterprise messaging services
- Represented a paper manufacturer in litigation challenging a price redetermination order and administrative fines
- Represented a sugar manufacturer in litigation challenging the denial of a leniency application and administrative fines
- Represented the head of a major business group in a Korea Fair Trade Commission (KFTC) investigation into the submission of false information for business group designation
- Represented a global hotel chain in mediation before the Korea Fair Trade Mediation Agency (KOFAIR) concerning a franchise law dispute with a Korean hotel owner
- Represented a pharmaceutical manufacturer in competition law mediation with a pharmaceutical wholesaler before KOFAIR and in responding to a complaint filed with the KFTC
- Represented a tire manufacturer in filing a complaint with the KFTC concerning violations of the Act on Fair Labeling and Advertising
- Represented a Taiwanese LCD manufacturer in civil antitrust litigation concerning alleged collusion

- Represented a national broadcaster in ICC international arbitration involving competition law and other disputes with a global sports association
- Represented a restaurant franchisor in litigation seeking the return of margins charged on supplies to franchisees
- Assisted clients in responding to numerous KFTC dawn raids

[High-stakes Litigation]

- Acted as counsel in the “A Ground Floor for Everyone” state liability case, which was heard in a public hearing before the Supreme Court (judgment reversed and final judgment entered by the Supreme Court)
- Represented the victim’s bereaved family in state liability litigation arising from the Junggok-dong murder case (judgment reversed and remanded by the Supreme Court)
- Represented asylum seekers at an airport in seeking referral of Article 63(1) of the Immigration Act for constitutional review (the Constitutional Court found the provision incompatible with the Constitution)
- Represented executives and employees of a major corporation in criminal proceedings concerning alleged destruction of evidence
- Represented a furniture company in litigation challenging approval of an implementation plan for an urban planning facility project
- Represented the president of a public corporation in litigation challenging dismissal from office
- Represented a software company in litigation against a Korean public corporation over service fees
- Represented an offshore wind power company in litigation challenging the Minister of Climate, Energy and Environment’s revocation of an electricity generation business license and related administrative measures
- Represented a franchise company in multiple disputes with a logistics provider, including litigation concerning contract termination
- Represented the Superintendent of the Seoul Metropolitan Office of Education in litigation challenging the revocation of autonomous private high school designations

[International Disputes]

- Acted as counsel in JCAA international arbitration and Korean court proceedings concerning claims under a joint venture agreement brought by a Japanese shareholder against a Korean shareholder in connection with a Korean household goods retailer
- Acted as counsel in proceedings for the recognition and enforcement of an international arbitral award arising from a breach of representations and warranties dispute between a Chinese insurance company and a Korean fund
- Advised on the recognition and enforcement of an international arbitral award arising from an intellectual property dispute between Korean and Chinese gaming companies
- Represented a Thailand-based global hotel chain in litigation against a Korean hotel owner seeking payment of license fees and royalties
- Acted as counsel in multiple lawsuits involving a global plastics manufacturer, including actions seeking injunctions against trade secret misappropriation
- Represented wheelchair users in submitting an individual communication to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights concerning access to intercity transportation
- Represented asylum seekers at an airport in submitting an individual communication to the United Nations

Human Rights Committee

[Pharmaceuticals, Biotechnology & Healthcare]

- Represented the Commissioner of the Busan Regional Office of Food and Drug Safety in litigation challenging a corrective order concerning krill oil products (judgment reversed and remanded by the Supreme Court)
- Represented the Commissioner of the Seoul Regional Office of Food and Drug Safety in litigation challenging an administrative fine imposed on Company D for insufficient probiotic content in its products
- Represented the Commissioner of the Seoul Regional Office of Food and Drug Safety in litigation challenging a determination that Company P's probiotic products failed to meet applicable content requirements
- Represented the Republic of Korea in state liability litigation concerning the Food Sanitation Act
- Represented the Commissioners of the Gyeongin and Daejeon Regional Offices of Food and Drug Safety in administrative appeals involving a pharmaceutical company
- Handled numerous advisory and litigation matters involving challenges to the Ministry of Food and Drug Safety
- Advised a pharmaceutical wholesaler on competition law issues relating to pharmaceutical supply

[Presentations, Lectures & Media]

- Delivered a presentation on "State Competition Policy for Gig Worker Platforms" to an audience including U.S. state attorneys general at the Thurman Arnold Project at Yale
- Interviewed on the Korea Broadcasting Station's documentary program regarding state liability claims
- Presented on judgments concerning Google Search and advertising at the KFTC's adjudication and case law study group
- Lectured on litigation practice in the Ministry of Food and Drug Safety's special legal capacity-building program
- Lectured on litigation practice at the Ministry of Food and Drug Safety's litigation training seminar

[Pro Bono & Public Interest]

- Advised Save the Children on the repeal of the Civil Act provision recognizing parents' disciplinary authority (the provision was repealed)
- Represented persons with developmental disabilities in discrimination litigation concerning the failure to provide voting assistance accommodations
- Represented a person with a developmental disability in a damages action concerning confinement in a psychiatric hospital
- Represented victims' bereaved families in state liability litigation arising from the Jinju apartment arson and murder case
- Represented out-of-school youth in litigation challenging the denial of access to the National Joint Scholastic Achievement Test
- Represented Animal Liberation Wave in filing a complaint seeking to halt the operation of an illegal dog slaughterhouse
- Represented a person with a hearing disability in filing a complaint with the National Human Rights Commission of Korea concerning the failure to provide sign language interpretation for the taxi driver qualification examination
- Conducted a research project commissioned by the National Human Rights Commission of Korea on monitoring accessibility for persons with disabilities at public-use facilities

- Conducted a research project commissioned by the National Court Administration on the provision of judicial assistance to persons with disabilities across courts and measures for improvement

Honors and Recognitions

2025	Litigation Award at the Eighth Korea Legal Awards
2023	Pro Bono Award at the Sixth Korea Legal Awards
2022	Pro Bono Award at the Fifth Korea Legal Awards
2022	Commendation from Minister of Food and Drug Safety

Publications



2026	Hiroaki Chiba-Okabe & Sangyong Jun, <i>State Competition Policy for Gig Worker Platforms</i> (Thurman Arnold Project at Yale, 2026 Student Papers, Paper No. 3, May 2026).
2025	Sangyong Jun & Ondal Lee, <i>A Record of the Supreme Court Public Hearing in the “Everyone’s First Floor” Case</i> , 25 Pub. Interest & Hum. Rts. 271 (2025) (S. Kor.).
2023	Gee Hong Kim, Jinhee Kim, Mary Kosman & Sangyong Jun, <i>South Korea</i> , in Lexology Getting the Deal Through: Dispute Resolution (2023).
2022	Gee Hong Kim, Jinhee Kim, Mary Kosman & Sangyong Jun, <i>South Korea</i> , in Lexology Getting the Deal Through: Dispute Resolution (2022).
2022	Sangyong Jun, <i>A Study on Non-Negligent Medical Events</i> , 63 Seoul L.J., no. 1, 2022, at 177 (S. Kor.).
2018	Siwoo Park, Hyungguen Park & Sangyong Jun, <i>Illegality of Pollution of Privately Owned Land</i> , 8 SNU L. REV. 330 (2018) (S. Kor.).
2017	Sangyong Jun, <i>A Law and Economics Analysis of Remedies for Voting Agreements</i> , 14 KOREAN J.L. & ECON., no. 3, 2017, at 519 (S. Kor.).

Newsletters

[JIPYONG LLC - Korea Legal Insight]

- [Enforcement of Arbitral Awards in Korea and Interplay with the Korean Fair Trade Act \(Apr. 3, 2023\)](#)
- [Korea’s Amendment to the Act on Private International Law – Highlights and Implications for Cross-border Litigation \(Apr. 4, 2022\)](#)

Bar Admissions & Qualifications

2019	Korea
2026	California

Languages

Korean / English