

SeungMin Lee

— Partner

Professional Practice

Seung-Min Lee is a partner at Peter & Kim. Ms Lee has represented and provided advocacy for major Korean and International clients in arbitration cases under various institutional rules including that of the ICC, KCAB, SIAC, HKIAC, LCIA and UNCITRAL. Ms Lee is dual-qualified as a Korean lawyer and solicitor of England and Wales. She has previously served as the South Korean national representative of the IBA young lawyers' committee, and has served as regional representative for Korea to the LCIA's Young International Arbitration Group.

Ms Lee currently serves as director of international affairs at the Seoul Bar Association; is a member of KCAB Next; regional ambassador for Korea to HKIAC's HK45; member of the SIAC Users Council for the South Korea national committee; member of the panel of arbitrators for the Asian International Arbitration Centre; and a specialist mediator at the Singapore International Mediation Centre. Ms Lee worked as a registered foreign lawyer at Oon & Bazul LLP in Singapore in 2016 and as counsel to the LCIA Secretariat in 2010. A graduate of Seoul National University and member of the Korean bar, Ms Lee completed an LL.M. at the National University of Singapore in 2016.

Career

- Partner, Peter & Kim (2020 – Present)
- Partner, Shin & Kim (2016 – 2020)
- Associate, Shin & Kim LLC (2007 – 2015)
- Registered Foreign Lawyer, Oon & Bazul LLP (Singapore, 2016)
- Counsel, London Court of International Arbitration (2010)

Education

- National University of Singapore, Faculty of Law, LL.M. (2016)
- Seoul National University, BA (2004) and admitted to Seoul National University Graduate School of Law, Seoul, Korea (2004)
- Judicial Research and Training Institute, Supreme Court of the Republic of Korea (2006)



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ADMISSIONS & COURTS

- Korean and Seoul Bar Associations; Admitted to the Roll of Solicitors in England and Wales

LANGUAGES

- Korean (Native), English (Fluent)

NATIONALITIES

- Korean

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Arbitration / Litigation
International Transactions
Intellectual Property
Investments & BITs
Joint Ventures / Consortia

INDUSTRY SECTOR

Mergers & Acquisition
Energy & Power
Real Estate

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Experience

- Counsel in two ICC arbitrations seated in Singapore between a Korean online game company and Chinese companies (2017-2020)
- Counsel in a SIAC arbitration seated in Singapore between a Korean online game company and Chinese companies (2017-2020)
- Counsel in an ICSID case, Lone Star Funds vs. Republic of Korea (2013-2017), and an ICC case seated in Singapore between an investment company and a Korean bank (2013-2015)
- Counsel in an ICC case seated in Singapore between a research organization and an ocean-floor drilling company (2014-2015) and in a UNCITRAL case seated in Seoul
- Counsel in a dispute between a UK-based software company and a Korean broadcast company (2011-2014)
- Counsel in an ICC case seated in Seoul between a Korean construction company and a vendor of a certain type of steam scrubber technology (2013-2014)
- Counsel in a SIAC case seated in Singapore between a Korean shipbuilding company and a Singaporean company (2013-2014)
- Counsel in an HKIAC case seated in Hong Kong between a Chinese company producing mono-silicon ingots and a Korean company producing mono-silicon ingot growers (2012-2014)
- Counsel in an ICC case seated in Seoul between a multi-national lock manufacturer and a Korean investor (2012-2013)
- Counsel in an ICC case seated in Paris between a Korean conglomerate and a petroleum company (2008-2011)
- Counsel in an ICC case seated in Singapore between a Korean confectionery company and a foreign investor (2008-2010)

Professional Affiliations

- Fellow, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (FCIArb)

Publications

- Korea Chapter in Getting the Deal Through – Dispute Resolution (2012)
- South Korea: Towards a uniform approach to confidentiality in Arbitration: A role for the new IBA rules (Arbitration Newsletter, International Bar Association, April 2012, Co-authored)
- Korea Chapter in Getting the Deal Through – ICSID (2014, Regional Contributor)
- *GAR Know-How Commercial Arbitration* (2017-2020): Korea (Co-authored)

QUOTES

WWL (Future leaders of Arbitration, 2019) says:

The “outstanding” SeungMin Lee is a “rising star in arbitration” and sources state that she “works incredibly hard and provides great law analysis”.

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Accolades/Rankings

- WWL 2023
- Chambers 2023, 2024

Speaking Engagements

- SIAC Dubai Conference 2023 (15 Nov 2023)
- YSIAC IBA Arbitration Conference “Enforcement Trends in Investment Treating Arbitration” 21 Feb 2024 Singapore
- 37th Law Asia Conference (13-15 Oct 2024 Kuala Lumpur Malaysia)

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