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Education

J.D., Columbia University, 1999
M.B.A., Yale University, 1996
M.A., Yale University, 1994
B.A., Harvard University, 1993

Bar Admissions

Foreign Legal Consultant Korea
New York
New Jersey

Languages

Korean
Japanese

Publications

"Special Law to Promote Venture Capital Companies," *American University International Law Review*, co-authored with Haksoo Ko (2000)

H. Young Shin, head of Skadden's Korea practice, has worked on a wide range of matters, including mergers and acquisitions, energy-related investments, joint ventures, project finance, real estate development and investments, and corporate finance transactions. He is a founding member of the firm's Seoul office and has been leader of the office since its opening in 2014. He also worked in the firm's New York office for 15 years before relocating to Seoul.

Mr. Shin is recognized by *Chambers Global*, *Chambers Asia-Pacific* (Band 1) and *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific* as one of the leading lawyers in the region, with clients in *Chambers Global* noting that he is "very commercially positioned and client-oriented, always giving prompt and practical solutions." Mr. Shin was named Dealmaker of the Year in Korea by *Asian Legal Business* in 2023, in addition to being repeatedly selected as one of *ALB's* Dealmakers of Asia in Korea from 2021-25 and one of its Korea Super 30 Lawyers. He has also been named M&A Lawyer of the Year by the *Legal Times*.

Mr. Shin serves as a trustee of The Governor's Academy, his alma mater, which was established in Massachusetts in 1763 and is the oldest boarding school in the region of New England in the United States.

Mr. Shin's experience includes the representation of, among others:

- **SK hynix Inc.** in its US\$9 billion acquisition of the NAND memory and storage business of Intel Corporation
- **Korea Zinc Company, Ltd.** in its US\$332 million acquisition of a majority stake and its subsequent US\$110 million acquisition of the remaining minority stake in Igneo Holdings, LLC
- **Hanwha Aerospace Co., Ltd.** in its US\$300 million acquisition of EDAC Technologies Corporation, a manufacturer of complex, large diameter precision rotating and stationary components for aerospace engine applications, and related CFIUS regulatory matters
- **Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd.** in its (i) acquisition of Joyent, Inc., a public and private cloud provider; (ii) acquisition of NewNet Communication Technologies LLC, a provider of wireless communications services; (iii) acquisition of LoopPay, Inc., a mobile payments company that led to a worldwide launch of "Samsung Pay"; (iv) acquisition of a majority stake in Novald AG, a provider of organic light-emitting diode (OLED) technologies; and (v) proposed acquisition of various multibillion-dollar technology companies in the U.S.
- **LIG Nex1 Co., Ltd.** in its US\$240 million acquisition of a 60% stake in Ghost Robotics Corporation
- **Hanwha Life Insurance Co., Ltd.** in its acquisition of Velocity Clearing and Tor Brokerage, two FINRA-registered broker-dealers based in the U.S.
- **Visteon Corporation** in the US\$3.6 billion sale of its 70% stake in Halla Visteon Climate Control Corp. to an affiliate of Hahn & Company, a private equity firm, and Hankook Tire Co., Ltd.
- **SK Biopharmaceuticals** in its US\$530 million licensing and investment with Arvelle Therapeutics GmbH to develop and commercialize a pharmaceutical product in Europe
- **Hanwha Q Cells** in its US\$825 million going-private transaction by way of a merger
- **Hyundai Motor** in its formation of its business operations in the U.S. and Israel

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- **Kia Motors** in its investment in a limited liability technology company existing under Croatian law
 - **Hanwha Affiliates** in its (i) acquisition of Azdel Inc., an automobile parts manufacturer in the U.S., from GE and PPG; (ii) investment in a transportation company based in the U.S.; (iii) investment in NextDecade Corporation, a public company listed on Nasdaq; and (iv) investment in various energy projects, including multibillion-dollar gas-to-liquid and pipeline projects in the U.S.
 - **Goldman Sachs** as financial advisor to EZER Inc. (Japan) and Techno Groove, Inc. (Japan) in their US\$400 million acquisition of a 52% stake in GRAVITY Co., Ltd., an online game developer in South Korea
 - **Simone Investment** in its (i) US\$415 million sale of Washington Harbor, based in Washington, D.C.; (ii) sale of German real estate assets; and (iii) real estate investments in vacant land in California and hotels in Manhattan and San Francisco
 - **Pulmuone Holdings** in its acquisition of Monterey Gourmet Foods, Inc., a Nasdaq-listed manufacturer of fresh gourmet pasta and other refrigerated food products, by way of a tender offer
 - **Hyosung Corporation** in its proposed acquisition of a textile company based in the U.S.
 - **LG Hausys** in its proposed acquisition of a manufacturer and supplier of lightweight auto materials and composite solutions in the U.S.
 - **Korean Investment Corporation**, a sovereign wealth fund, in structuring and reviewing investments in various private equity and hedge fund investments
 - **Lotte Chemical** in its US\$1.5 billion proposed acquisition of Dow Chemical's Styron plastic business unit
 - **GS Energy** and **GS Global** with their US\$250 million acquisition of an undivided working interest in Longfellow Energy's Mississippian Lime assets in Oklahoma
 - **SK Engineering & Construction Co., Ltd.** as the lead sponsor of its US\$1 billion proposed development and construction of a road tunnel under the Istanbul Strait in Turkey
 - **Samchully Asset Management Co. Ltd.** in its acquisition of a 34% interest in the Neptune Gas Processing Plant in the U.S. from Marathon Oil Company for US\$170 million
 - **City Storage Systems, LLC** (formerly called CloudKitchens) in connection with its acquisition of a cloud storage company in Korea
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