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**PERSONAL**

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Date of Birth: October 13, 1977 (Seoul, South Korea)  
Citizenship: South Korean (with U.S. permanent residency)

**EDUCATION**

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**University of California, Berkeley School of Law** Berkeley, CA  
LL.M., May 2013  
*Concentration:* Thesis Track; Certificate of Specialization in International Law  
*Coursework:* Sports Law, International Humanitarian Law, International Law and Politics

**University of California, Berkeley** Berkeley, CA  
Ph.D., Political Science, May 2012 (Concurrent Degree)  
M.A., Political Science, May 2008  
*Honors:* Departmental Graduate Fellowship  
*Concentration:* International Relations, Comparative Politics (East Asia), Public Law  
*Dissertation:* "The Legalization of National Security: State, Society, and the Law on the Use of Force"

**University of California College of the Law, San Francisco** San Francisco, CA  
J.D., May 2012 (Concurrent Degree)  
*Honors:* cum laude, Dean's Scholarship (3 Years), CALI Top Student in Course Award (10 Awards)  
*Concentration:* International and Comparative Law  
*Coursework:* International Arbitration, International Dispute Settlement, Public International Law  
*Journal:* Hastings International and Comparative Law Review

**Stanford University** Stanford, CA  
M.A., East Asian Studies, June 2007  
*Honors:* APARC Graduate Fellowship, Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship  
*Concentration:* Korean Studies and Political Science

**Columbia University** New York, NY  
M.I.A., School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA), May 2005  
*Concentration:* International Security Policy

**Yale University** New Haven, CT  
B.A., Political Science and History (Double Major), May 2000  
*Honors:* cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa, distinction in Political Science and History  
*Concentration:* International Relations and East Asian History

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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- Sullivan & Cromwell LLP** Hong Kong and Melbourne, Australia  
*Special Counsel, General Practice Group* Winter 2021-Current  
*Associate, General Practice Group* Fall 2013-Winter 2021
- Advised major corporations and international private equity firms in the Asia-Pacific region on cross-border mergers and acquisitions, capital market transactions and on corporate governance matters.
  - Provided strategic advice to clients involved in major corporate governance and regulatory matters, including in international arbitration and litigation.
- World Taekwondo** Seoul, Korea  
*Member, Juridical Committee* Summer 2019-Current
- Served as member of committee reviewing various legal and governance matters for the international federation.
- International Sports Relations Foundation (iSR)** Seoul, Korea  
*Member, Board of Directors* Summer 2012-Spring 2018
- Advised on foundation research activities and organization of annual conferences on sports diplomacy.
  - Attended London 2012 Summer Olympics and conduct meetings on behalf of iSR.
  - Speaker: "Concluding Remarks on the Olympic Movement in Asia," 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual iSR Forum (2014).
  - Speaker: "Transnationalism, State Power, and East Asian Sports Relations," Inaugural iSR Forum (2013).
- University of Melbourne** Melbourne, Australia  
Honorary Fellow, Historical and Philosophical Studies Winter 2016-Winter 2018
- Conducted research for a book project on the International Olympic Committee and democracy.
- Stanford University** Stanford, CA  
*Koret Junior Fellow and Lecturer, Asia-Pacific Research Center* Fall 2012-Summer 2013
- Taught undergraduate/graduate seminar on law and national security in Korea.
- Stanford Program in International and Cross-Cultural Education (SPICE)** Stanford, CA  
*Curriculum Consultant* Winter 2007-Summer 2013
- Co-authored four curriculum units on Korea for use in American high schools.
  - Awarded Buchanan Prize for outstanding curriculum publication by the Association for Asian Studies.
- The Constitutional Court of Korea** Seoul, Korea  
*Legal Intern* Summer 2010 and Summer 2011
- Initiated research project on special quorum requirements for decisions of unconstitutionality.
  - Attended oral arguments, announcements of decisions, and weekly seminars.
- Deloitte Consulting** Seoul, Korea  
*Management Consultant Intern* Summer 2005
- Worked on project management office (PMO) program for SK Telecom's mobile virtual network operator venture, Helio (in partnership with Earthlink), in the U.S. market.
- Sullivan & Cromwell LLP** Hong Kong, China and New York, NY  
*Legal Assistant, General Practice and Litigation Groups* Summer 2000-Spring 2004
- Actively assisted with the execution of various corporate transactions throughout Asia and cases.

**BAR ADMISSIONS & CERTIFICATIONS**

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New York  
Hong Kong (Registered Foreign Attorney)  
Victoria, Australia (Registered Foreign Attorney - Inactive)

**PUBLICATIONS – ACADEMIC**

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“Signaling the Turn: The Supermajority Requirement and Judicial Power on the Constitutional Court of Korea,” *The American Journal of Comparative Law*, June 2019. Cited in the Final Report of the Presidential Commission on the Supreme Court of the United States (December 2021).

“Democracy and Democratization: The Ambiguous Legacy” (with case study of the 1988 Seoul Olympics) in Barbara J. Keys, ed. *The Ideals of Global Sport: From Peace to Human Rights* (Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2019).

*Sports Relations in East Asia: Theory and Practice* (iSR Foundation Press, 2014), Co-editor with Soyoung Kwon.

“The Law and the State in Economic Reform: The Case of the Korea Fair Trade Commission,” in Hong Yung Lee and Sunil Kim, eds., *The Changing Role of the Korean State in the Post Development Era* (Berlin: Logos Verlag, 2016).

“From the Streets to the Courts: PSPD’s Legal Strategy and the Institutionalization of Social Movements,” in Gi Wook Shin and Paul Y. Chang, eds., *South Korean Social Movements: From Democracy to Civil Society* (New York: Routledge Press, 2011).

**PUBLICATIONS – OTHER**

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*The Dynamics of the Korean American Community*, Stanford Program in International and Cross-Cultural Education (SPICE) Curriculum Unit (Stanford University: Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies), 2013.

“Political Succession in North Korea,” SPICE Digest (Stanford University: Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies), Fall 2011.

“The Economic Costs of Reunification,” SPICE Digest (Stanford University: Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies), Fall 2011.

*Inter-Korean Relations: Rivalry, Reconciliation, and Reunification*, SPICE Curriculum Unit (Stanford University: Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies), 2010.

*Uncovering North Korea*, SPICE Curriculum Unit (Stanford University: Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies), 2009.

*U.S.-South Korean Relations*, SPICE Curriculum Unit (Stanford University: Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies), 2007.

## **FELLOWSHIPS & SCHOLARSHIPS**

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Postdoctoral Fellowship, Center for International Security and Cooperation (CISAC), Stanford University, 2013-2014 (Declined).

Koret Junior Fellowship, Korean Studies Program, APARC, Stanford University, 2013.

Graduate Finishing Fellowship, Department of Political Science, University of California, Berkeley, 2012.

Dean's Scholarship, University of California, Hastings, 2009-2012.

Institute of East Asian Studies (IEAS) Summer Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley, 2011.

Center for Korean Studies (CKS) Graduate Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley, 2010.

Graduate Fellowship, Department of Political Science, University of California, Berkeley, 2009-2010.

Academy of Korean Studies Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley, 2008.

Graduate Fellowship, Political Science, University of California, Berkeley, 2007-2012.

Pantech Student Research Travel Fellowship, Korean Studies Program, Stanford University, 2005.

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (FLAS), APARC, Stanford University, 2004-2005.

APARC Graduate Fellowship, Stanford University, 2004-2005.

Mellon Undergraduate Research Fellowship, Yale University, Fall 1999.

Richter Summer Research Fellowship, Yale University, Summer 1999.

Durbin Horne Endowed Scholarship, Yale University, 1998-1999.

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

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American Bar Association

New York State Bar Association

American Political Science Association

International Association of Korean Lawyers

## **LANGUAGES**

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*Foreign Languages:* Korean (fluent), Mandarin Chinese (beginner), and Japanese (beginner)