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Born in September 13, 1968, I've entered Seoul National University in Korea and majored in Laws. After completing 2-year mandatory and non-degree program at the Judicial Research and Training Institute attached to the Supreme Court of Korea, I was appointed as a judge of Busan District Court. Since then, I had served as a judge of District Court, including Busan (1999-2003), Seongnam Branch Court of Suwon (2003-2007), Seoul (2010-2011), and High court such as Seoul High Court (2007-2008, 2011-2017, 2018-2019, 2019-2021), Daejeon High Court (2017-2018) and Constitutional Court (2008-2010). I spent a year from 2004 to 2005 in Japan, at Hitotsubashi University in Tokyo as a visiting scholar. Currently, I am serving as a presiding judge at the Patent Court of Korea.



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[Education]

Graduated from Yonsei University in 2000 (Bachelor's degree in Electronic Engineering) and Graduated from Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology in 2002 (Master's degree in Mobile Communications)

[Qualification]

Appointed as a patent examiner at KIPO in 2004

[Professional Career]

2004

Patent examiner at Electrical systems Examination Division of KIPO

2010

Seconded to WIPO and appointed as a system analyst at PCT information and System Service

2014

Primary patent examiner at Broadcasting & Multimedia Examination Division of KIPO

2017

Head of International IT Affairs at Information & Customer Service Bureau of KIPO

2018

Head of Organization and Management Innovation of KIPO

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Director of International Application Division of KIPO

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