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Ms. Jiyoung Yi has been a High Court Judge at the IP High Court of Korea since 2018. She was appointed as a Judge in 2007 and has handled civil, criminal, and administrative lawsuits in various district courts before transitioning to the IP High Court.

Before becoming a judge, Ms. Yi was involved in new drug development research at a university research institute as a resercher. Following her appointment as a judge, Ms. Yi served as an adjunct professor at Pusan National University, where she lectured on pharmacy law. She is the author of numerous publications on pharmacy, patent law and IP enforcement. Judge Yi lectures for other judges, IP attorneys, patent attorneys, and patent examiners, with a focus on IP litigation.

Judge Yi is an active member of the IP Research Council under the Supreme Court and has participated in various international conferences, including the WIPO Judges' Forum, WIPO IP Master's Class, and USPTO Indo-Pacific Colloquium, among others.

Judge Yi holds both bachelor's and master's degrees in Pharmacy from Pusan National University, where she also completed doctoral courseworks. Furthermore, Judge Yi earned both a bachelor's and master's degree in Law from Seoul National University and completed an IP law doctoral program. She was a visiting scholar at George Washington University Law School from 2016 to early 2018 and served as a visiting fellow at the U.S. Federal Judicial Center in 2017.