



# Artelex

AN ESTEEMED ART LAW SCHOLAR AND COLLECTOR  
DELIVERING PREMIER ART LAW SERVICES



# Why Artelex?

Art creation, transactions, and appraisals demand sophisticated legal expertise due to their unique and intricate nature. Leading Artelex, Attorney Koo Bon-jin brings over 35 years of experience, having managed over 2,000 transactions and collected more than 3,000 artworks. His collection is particularly renowned for the handwriting of patriots and Hongshan jades.

He has appraised artworks for the Cultural Heritage Administration and the Seoul Arts Center and holds a Ph.D. in Art (Copyright) Law from Seoul National University. He has authored nine books and three translations, including the acclaimed "Artists' Moral Rights," and serves on the Korea Copyright Commission.

With 21 years as a prosecutor and 10 years as a lawyer, Attorney Koo has achieved notable successes, such as securing an acquittal in the Cho Young-nam case. He maintains deep connections within the art world, driven by a mission to preserve the legacy of patriots through his collection.

Artelex



# Artelex Team

The Artelex team consists of top-tier lawyers, renowned art experts, and former high-ranking government officials. They are passionately committed to serving the best interests of their clients with unmatched expertise and dedication.

**Koo Bon-jin**  
Practice Group Leader

## **Educational Background**

- Ph.D. in Art Law | Seoul National University
- Bachelor in Law | Seoul National University

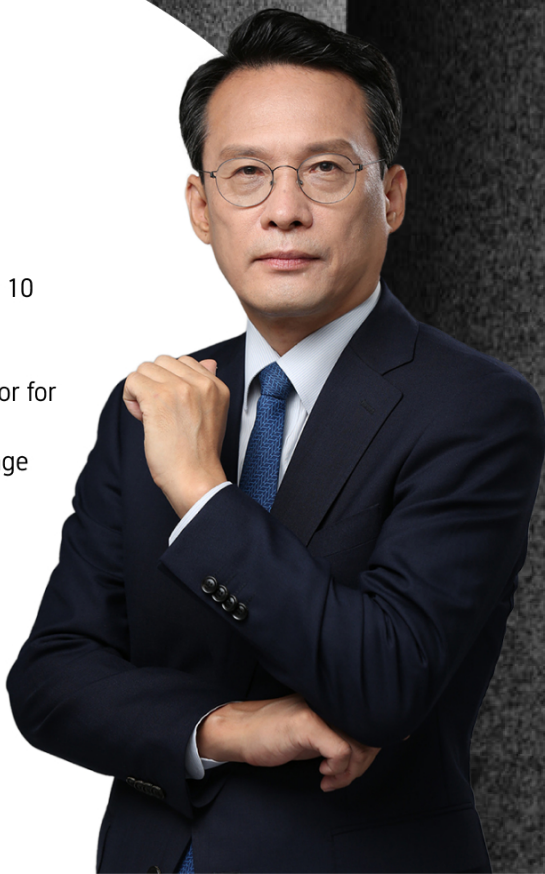
## **Professional Experience**

- Korea Copyright Commission | Member
- The Kim Law Offices | Managing Partner
- Worked as an art law specialist attorney for 10 years.
- Served in key positions, including at the Supreme Prosecutors' Office, as a prosecutor for 21 years.
- Appraisal of Artworks for the Cultural Heritage Administration and the Seoul Arts Center.

## **Authorial Works**

- Artists' Moral Rights | 2011
- Copyright Law | Co-author | 2007
- Handwriting Tells | 2009
- Korean People and Hongshan Culture | 2020

Additionally, authored a total of five books and translated three books.



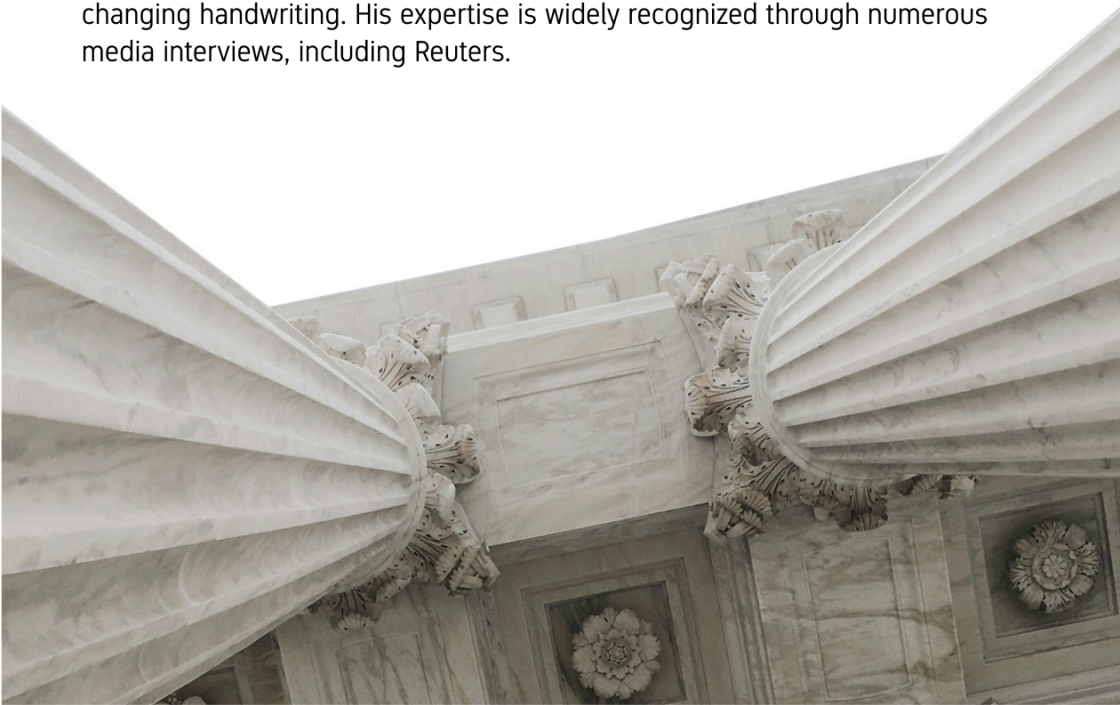
# Patriots' Handwritten Collection



This collection of handwritten works by Korean independence patriots is unmatched in quality and quantity worldwide. For handwriting research, it also includes a diverse range of samples from politicians, entrepreneurs, celebrities, artists, musicians, athletes, as well as criminals and gangsters

## Handwriting Analysis

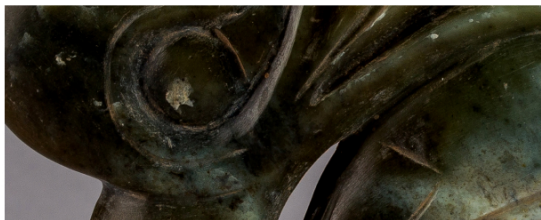
As South Korea's first handwriting analyst, Dr. Koo has authored four bestselling books and lectured at top universities. He has analyzed handwriting for the Ministry of National Defense and other major organizations. Dr. Koo also researches and promotes graphotherapy, a method to transform one's life by changing handwriting. His expertise is widely recognized through numerous media interviews, including Reuters.





# Hongshan Culture Jades Collection

The collection of Hongshan culture jade artifacts is of the highest standard in the world. Additionally, Dr. Koo is a highly regarded scholar, having authored the notable work "The Korean People and Hongshan Culture."



Attorney Koo Bon-jin has built a broad public profile by appearing on various popular programs such as "You Quiz," "Unbelievable Stories," and "Morning Yard."



# Artelex Services

- Authenticity and provenance verification
- Consignment agreements
- Acquisition and sale of art and high-value assets
- Art finance, investment, and third-party guarantees
- Art and heritage succession planning
- Copyright protection and licensing
- Art litigation and recovery of stolen artworks
- Reputation management and media response
- Donations and charitable activities involving artworks and collections
- Global mobility: export and import
- Taxation







"It's thanks to Attorney Koo Bon-jin, who knows more about contemporary art than either Jin Jung-kwon or myself," said singer and artist Cho Young-nam in response to reporters' questions right after his acquittal on August 17, 2018.

### Key Case Highlights

- Landmark Defense for Cho Yong-nam(2018)
- Admiral Yi Sun-sin Cultural Artifact Distribution Case (2015)
- Legal Issue Resolution for Shagdarjav Chimeddorj (2019)
- Exhibition Consulting for Jeju Museum of Art Borrowing Works from the Brooklyn Museum (2019)

koonstkammer@gmail.com  
artelex.net

Artelex