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International Law in the Obama Administration
By

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Harold Hongju Koh became the Legal Adviser for the Department of State in 2009. From 2004 to 2009, he was Dean of Yale Law School, where he has long served as a professor of international law. From 1998 to 2001, he served as the Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights and Labor at the Department of State. From 1993 to 1998, he served as Director of the Orville H. Schell Jr., Center for International Human Rights, Yale Law School. Earlier in his legal career, Mr. Koh served as an attorney-adviser in the Office of Legal Counsel at the Department of Justice, and as an associate at Covington & Burling in Washington, DC.

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Mr. Koh graduated from Harvard College in 1975, received a Marshall scholarship to study at Oxford College, and later graduated from Harvard Law School in 1980. He served as a law clerk to the Honorable Malcolm Richard Wilkey, U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, and then as law clerk to the Honorable Harry A. Blackmun, Associate Justice, U.S. Supreme Court.

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