

Ms. Allison Lee

Secretary-General, Yilan Migrant Fishermen Union

Education

Vocational High School

Professional Employment

Director, Chingjen Catholic Labor Safety and Health Service Center

Secretary, Taiwan Television Enterprise Industrial Union

Consultant for Foreign Workers, Foreign Workers Consultation Service Center, Department of Labor, Taipei City Government

Chinese Social Worker, Hope Workers' Center

Secretary-General, New Immigrants Labor Rights Association

Human Rights Project Manager, Hao Ran Foundation

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Areas of Expertise

interpersonal communication, negotiation

Biography

22 years ago, Ms. Lee started to devote herself in social advocacy and the work for supporting vulnerable groups. The first social issue she focused on was the occupational injury compensation for retired miners. After several years of enormous efforts, the first organization dedicated to old miners, Taiwan Association for the Rights of Miners with Pneumoconiosis, was established. The organization assisted more than 5,000 retired miners to obtain the occupational injury compensation from the labor insurance which they were entitled to during their employment.

Ms. Lee also organized Taiwan's first civil society organization that fought for the labor rights of new immigrants called the "New Immigrants Labor Rights Association". Aside from promoting the labor rights of new immigrants, the organization also actively fought for the said group's rights of abode. She was involved in formulating the NGO draft version of the "Organization Act of the National Immigration Agency" and the amendments of the Immigration Act.

Ms. Lee's job was mostly to engage in frontline services. No matter in the public sector and in civil society organizations, her main focus was always on casework. She also engaged in social advocacy, law amendments, and promotion of new legislations. Furthermore, she participated in many international conferences on the issues regarding new immigrants, migrant workers, and human rights. The groups she has served include domestic laborers (workers who've suffered occupational injuries and miners with pneumoconiosis), migrant workers, new immigrants, and other vulnerable groups. She is deeply concerned about human rights and human trafficking issues.