



ABA 74th Annual Section of Antitrust Law Spring Meeting

We're Pleased to Participate in This Year's Spring Meeting

Join us in Washington, DC, from March 25-27 for the American Bar Association's annual Spring Meeting. Several attorneys from Axinn will moderate and speak on a range of panels, providing valuable insights into relevant industry topics. Taking place the same week are the GCR and Antitrust Writing Awards, for which we are honored to be nominated for multiple awards.

[Register for Spring Meeting](#)

Connect with Us During the Week



Jeny M. Maier
Managing Partner



Vote for Axinn – 2026 Concurrences Antitrust Writing Awards

**Antitrust in a Time of
Trade War**

**Reviving a Dormant
Criminal Statute in**

John Harkrider and Craig
Minerva

Antitrust Prosecution

Jimmy Attridge and James Choi

Merger Control Enforcement Through

an Administration Change

Lisl Dunlop, Bradley Justus, Josh
Jowdy, and Sandhya Taneja

Attend Thought-Provoking Panels

Private Equity Continues in the Crosshairs

March 25

Les
Part
Cult

Digital Markets: Deal or No Deal

March 26

The pressure on private equity from the last administration will discuss recent digital market competition or accepted a refusal to deal “defense agency litigation, States have recently passed new laws that restrict or increase oversight of private equity in certain sectors. This panel will discuss the perceived relief and continued skepticism of private equity.”

Talent or Takeover? New Deals in Tech & AI

March 26

Craig
Partn

Trailblazers: From Firsts to Futures

March 27

Reverse acquires, strategic investments, and other private structures — transactions that may sidestep requirements that trigger conventional merger review — are reshaping tech/AI transactions. Panelists will analyze the anticompetitive effects and why authorities worldwide are increasingly scrutinizing their impact.

Fundamentals — Antitrust and IP

March 27



Laura C. Onken
Counsel

Learn the fundamentals at the intersection of IP and antitrust from experienced panelists in government and private practice. This session examines IP and market power, licensing restrictions, and pharmaceutical issues such as reverse payments and product hopping.

Why Leading Companies Turn to Axinn

- Our 90+ full-time antitrust lawyers represent the world's biggest corporations, including many of the Fortune 500
- Our track record of obtaining global clearance for combinations of significant rivals has built Axinn's reputation as a "go-to" firm for strategic mergers and acquisitions, with more than \$500 billion in transactions cleared
- We are lead defense counsel to some of the world's largest companies in high-stakes treble damages, class action, and multi-district litigations, as well as federal and state investigations
- Our lawyers have defended companies and individuals in the largest price-fixing investigations of the last decade, along with novel allegations of price-fixing through algorithms and labor-market collusion
- We have global antitrust agency experience paired with sophisticated economic advocacy
- Our multidisciplinary team with government, in-house, and private practice backgrounds delivers strategic counsel on our clients' most important matters

Antitrust Law in Action: Transactions, Litigation, and Cartels





**High-Stakes
Experience**

Select Honors

M&A

- Represented VMware as global lead antitrust counsel in its \$69 billion acquisition by Broadcom, one of the most significant and challenging tech deals in recent times
 - Represented AssuredPartners in its \$13.45 billion acquisition of Arthur J. Gallagher & Co.
 - Represented Worldpay in its \$24.5 billion acquisition by Global Payments
 - Represented Park Place Technologies, GTCR, and Charlesbank in Park Place's acquisition by Service Express
 - Represented Ball Corporation in the \$5.6 billion sale of its aerospace division to BAE Systems, helping to secure the fastest clearance of a defense deal in which a U.S. antitrust agency investigated and issued a Second Request
 - Represented Take-Two Interactive in its \$12.7 billion acquisition of Zynga
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Global Competition Review

- Firm of the Year (x3)
 - Matter of the Year
 - Behavioral Matter of the Year
 - Lawyer of the Year
 - Lawyer of the Year: Under 40
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Chambers and Partners

- Shortlisted for Antitrust Law Firm of the Year in 2024
 - Antitrust New York (Band 1)
 - Antitrust Nationwide (Band 2)
 - Antitrust Nationwide Cartel (Band 3)
 - Antitrust DC (Band 3)
 - Antitrust California (Band 3)
 - Litigation General Commercial Connecticut (Band 2)
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Litigation

- Representing Google against DOJ, State AGs, and private antitrust suits in three district courts alleging monopolization in the ad tech industry
 - Representing xAI and X in connection with Section 1 and 2 claims against Apple and OpenAI relating to conduct in the GenAI space
 - Representing X in a lawsuit against the National Music Publishers' Association and major music publishers
 - Representing a Fortune 100 technology company in a monopolization litigation
 - Representing Tyson Foods in multiple class action lawsuits and arbitration alleging collusion among competitors
 - Representing five prominent PVC pipe manufacturers in a significant consolidated antitrust class action involving allegations of price-fixing related to the sale of PVC pipes
 - Represented Exelon Corporation in a class action alleging wage-fixing and anticompetitive information sharing in the nuclear power industry
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Benchmark Litigation

- Dispute Resolution (Recommended Firm)
 - Ranked as a Multi-State Firm
 - Recognized Nationwide, Connecticut, DC, and New York
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Legal 500

- Antitrust Cartel, Civil Litigation/Class Actions: Defense, and Merger Control
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Cartels & Investigations

- Representing multiple Fortune 500 clients in non-public DOJ, FTC, and State AG investigations
 - Representing Google in various investigations of its business practices in the U.S. and other jurisdictions
 - Successfully closed an investigation into algorithmic price-fixing without action against our client or its employees
 - Represented leniency applicants in several DOJ price-fixing, bid-rigging, and no-poach investigations
 - Successfully closed a no-poach investigation on behalf of a corporate subject
 - Representing multiple individuals in non-public DOJ no-poach, price-fixing, and public procurement fraud investigations
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Explore Our Other Practices

Focusing on antitrust, intellectual property, and high-stakes litigation, our extensive teams in the U.S. possess deep knowledge and client-side experience across a range of sectors, including technology, healthcare, life sciences, and consumer products.

Intellectual Property

Litigation & Trials

Featured Viewpoints

- The Curtain Rises Again on FTC Act Section 5
- DOJ Serves Up a Statement of Interest with a Side of Fries
- Axinn Antitrust Insight: “New” HSR Form Remains in Effect For Now – Fifth Circuit Temporarily Freezes District Court Order that Vacated the New HSR Rule
- Axinn Antitrust Insight: District Court Vacates the FTC’s Expansion of HSR Reporting Requirements
- DOJ’s First Antitrust Whistleblower Payout Signals a New Enforcement Playbook
- 2025 Healthcare Antitrust Enforcement Wrap Up
- Antitrust Becoming a Go-To Play in Junior College Athletes’ Playbooks
- Axinn Antitrust Insight: FTC Announces Revised HSR Thresholds for 2026
- Japan Competition Law Update
- California’s Crackdown on Algorithmic Pricing