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Speaking Engagements

Informa CompLaw Antitrust West Coast Conference 2025

Axinn partners <u>Leslie Overton</u> and <u>Craig Minerva</u> will speak at Informa's *CompLaw Antitrust West Coast Conference*, being held May 7-8 in San Francisco. Partner <u>Daniel Bitton</u> will serve as conference chair.

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Antitrust

Axinn's full-service antitrust practice stands among the largest and most experienced. Our team works coast to coast and across borders to deliver integrated counsel on mergers and acquisitions (M&A), litigation, and government investigations.

Global Leader in Antitrust

Celebrated as a top-ranked antitrust practice by Chambers and Partners and Global Competition Review, Axinn is renowned for representing some of the world's largest companies in matters of the highest strategic importance. Our track record of success includes leading high-profile civil and criminal litigations and investigations. Orchestrating approximately half a trillion dollars in M&A transactions, we have gained clearances for intensely contested deals, including the largest cash merger in U.S. history, the largest-ever tech deal, and other landmark transactions.

Unmatched Experience

We don't just understand the government authorities you'll face – we have inside agency experience. Our team of more than 70 dedicated antitrust lawyers includes former high-ranking officials from the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) and U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) as well as European Union antitrust regulators. Our dual perspective and experience enable us to tackle the most challenging multinational antitrust issues.

Deep Commitment to Client Success

Invested in our clients' success, we provide in-depth analysis and dedicated advocacy. Our inquisitive and incisive approach enables us to navigate the most complex legal issues with precision. We value collaboration and inclusivity, evidenced by our success in leading multijurisdictional teams to resolve sprawling litigations and advance cross-border deals.

Mergers & Acquisitions

Our reputation as tenacious advocates for strategic transactions is built on our track record of obtaining global clearances for multibillion-dollar deals combining industry rivals.

Axinn lawyers regularly serve as lead counsel, overseeing co-counsel around the world. Our unique experience and perspectives make us adept at developing cohesive strategies to address regulators' concerns head-on and gain approvals in the most challenging jurisdictions.

Experience:

- Broadcom's \$69 billion acquisition of VMware.
- Dell's \$67 billion acquisition of EMC.
- Thermo Fisher Scientific's \$13.2 billion acquisition of Life Technologies and \$12.5 billion tender offer to acquire QIAGEN.

Axinn's substantial experience as lead counsel in Section 7 challenges to mergers includes:

- Obtained a judgment rejecting the DOJ's bid to block SunGard's \$825 million acquisition of Comdisco's business recovery assets.
- Successfully litigated against the DOJ's attempt to block George's Inc.'s sale of assets to Tyson Foods after the sale had been completed.
- Successfully litigated against the City of New York in its efforts to stop Group Health Inc.'s acquisition of HIP Insurance Company.

Litigation

Employing a sophisticated yet practical approach, Axinn has defended major industry players in some of the most high-profile and complex antitrust litigations and deal reviews in recent history. From private treble-damage class actions and sprawling multidistrict litigations (MDL) to price-fixing, bid-rigging, market allocation, and other antitrust claims, we resolve cases strategically and efficiently. Our experience extends to monopolization disputes, merger trials, criminal defense, and internal investigations.

Our inquisitive nature drives us to explore all facets of antitrust claims, ensuring comprehensive and diligent representation across industries. We consistently apply our creativity and bottom-line perspective to achieve exceptional outcomes in matters involving third-party subpoena defenses, leniency applications, antitrust compliance, and government investigations.

Experience:

- Representing Tyson Foods in multiple class action lawsuits alleging collusion among competitors.
- Representing Alvogen in the sprawling Generic Drugs MDL and in its antitrust counterclaims against Indivior relating to Alvogen's launch of a generic equivalent to SUBOXONE[®] sublingual film.
- Representing Momenta Pharmaceuticals in a monopolization and class action lawsuit.

Cartels & Investigations

In today's aggressive enforcement environment, the choice of cartel counsel is crucial. Lawyers must be incisive advisors, inquisitive strategists, and invested advocates. Axinn embodies these qualities.

We pride ourselves on handling the two largest price-fixing investigations of the past decade. We've represented clients in cartel investigations by major global authorities, including:

- DOJ
- Australian Competition and Consumer Commission
- Brazil's Administrative Council for Economic Defense
- Canadian Competition Bureau
- European Commission

Our ranks include former federal prosecutors and leaders from the DOJ Antitrust Division who have overseen criminal investigations, trials, and policy initiatives. Leveraging our government experience, we take an integrated approach to managing all aspects of representation: compliance programs; internal investigations; government probes; criminal proceedings; and civil litigation.

We understand that each client's goals and challenges are unique and devise tailored, creative strategies to resolve investigations.

Counseling

We excel in leading complex matters at the intersection of antitrust and intellectual property (IP) laws. Combining our advanced technical training and focused IP experience, we regularly advise on standard-setting and fair, reasonable, and nondiscriminatory issues.

Clients call on us to conduct thorough internal investigations and to develop and implement robust antitrust compliance programs. Our client-centric approach empowers clients to navigate the most challenging antitrust landscapes with confidence.

Experience:

- Representing Google before FTC with respect to Standard Essential Patents
- Representing Red Hat before DOJ with respect to patent acquisitions
- Representing Motorola Mobility before FTC regarding patent issues

Insights

Event | July 9, 2025

GCR Live: Law Leaders Europe 2025

On July 10, Axinn antitrust practice chair Mike Keeley will speak on the "How Will U.S. Merger Control Changes Impact the EU Landscape?" at Global Competition Review's Law Leaders Europe Conference.

Event | June 30, 2025

AHLA Annual Meeting 2025

On June 30, Axinn partner and chief workplace culture & opportunity officer Leslie Overton will speak on the "Novel Antitrust Theories in Health Care and Life Sciences Matters" panel at the American Health Law Association's Annual Meeting, being held June 20 to July 2 in San Diego.

Event | June 19, 2025

SABA North America Annual Conference 2025

Axinn partner Kail Jethmalani will speak on the "Antitrust, Regulation, and the Trump 2.0 Playbook: What's Next for Business & Enforcement?" panel at the South Asian Bar Association of North America's Annual Conference.

Event | June 4, 2025

Navigating Compliance: How the 2025 Hart-Scott-Rodino Updates Are Impacting Businesses

On June 4, Axinn associate Josh Jowdy will speak on the Knowledge Group Webinar, "Navigating Compliance: How the 2025 Hart-Scott-Rodino Updates Are Impacting Businesses."

Hartford HealthCare Black and Red Gala 2025

Axinn is pleased to sponsor Hartford HealthCare's Black and Red Gala in Hartford on May 10. Proceeds from the gala will benefit Hartford HealthCare's Center for Education, Simulation & Innovation at Hartford Hospital.

Event | May 7, 2025

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Event | May 5, 2025

AHLA Health Care Transactions Program 2025

Axinn is pleased to sponsor the American Health Law Association's Health Care Transactions Program, being held May 5-7 in Nashville, Tennessee.

Event | April 28, 2025

A Check-in on the Structural Presumption: What Have We Learned and Where Are We Headed?

Axinn partner James Hunsberger will speak on the Canadian Bar Association's Competition Law and Foreign Investment Review Section's webinar entitled, "A Check-in on the Structural Presumption: What Have We Learned and Where Are We Headed?"

A Labor of Love: Trump DOJ Obtains First Guilty Verdict in a Criminal Labor Case

In October 2016, the Obama Administration announced that it would criminally prosecute nopoach and wage-fixing agreements among...

Publications | April 21, 2025 | 1 min read

Managing Partner Jeny Maier Appears on Capitol Forum's ABA Spring 2025 Interview Series

Managing Partner Jeny Maier appeared on the Capitol Forum's ABA Spring 2025 Interview Series to discuss the antitrust M&A enforcement landscape under the new Trump administration.

Practice Chair



Michael L. Keeley



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- ACI 21st Annual Paragraph IV Conference SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

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