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U.S. DOJ Veteran Craig Minerva Joins Axinn's Antitrust Group in Washington, D.C.

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Axinn is pleased to announce that former U.S. Department of Justice Antitrust Division trial attorney Craig Minerva is joining the firm's Antitrust Group as Counsel in its Washington, D.C. office.

At DOJ, Minerva led investigations into some of the most consequential mergers of the last several years. Minerva led the investigation of the merger between Disney and Fox, resulting in divestiture of all of Fox's regional sports networks, as well as Quad Graphics' proposed acquisition of LSC Communications, which the rival commercial printers abandoned during litigation. In 2019, Minerva was honored both with the Attorney General's Distinguished Service Award as well as the Assistant Attorney General Award. Prior to DOJ, Minerva worked in private practice for many years where he gained significant experience representing clients in a range of antitrust matters, often with an international dimension.

Antitrust Group Co-Chair <u>Michael Keeley</u> said, "Craig's experience leading major merger investigations at the Antitrust Division will be immensely beneficial for our clients. He is another strong addition to our growing team of exceptional antitrust attorneys."

Minerva explained, "While I was reluctant to leave public service, Axinn offered the perfect opportunity to continue practicing antitrust at the highest level. My time at DOJ provided me with the utmost respect for the Division's mission and its talented professionals, and I gained valuable experience analyzing the antitrust issues many companies face in complex matters. I

now look forward to bringing this expertise to Axinn, where I am excited to collaborate with the impressive and growing antitrust team to help clients navigate and overcome antitrust challenges."

<u>John Harkrider</u>, Co-Chair of the Antitrust Group and a founding partner of the firm added, "We are thrilled to welcome Craig to Axinn. His experience at the DOJ leading investigations into large and high-profile mergers strengthens our already deep bench of antitrust lawyers with government backgrounds."

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