



**Armstrong
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GLOBAL ANTITRUST, COMPETITION AND REGULATORY LAW

Antitrust, competition and regulatory law has wide-ranging impact on the way companies conduct business internationally. Armstrong Teasdale's team of more than a dozen lawyers throughout the U.S. and Europe regularly advises clients on compliance with competition and regulatory obligations unique to the jurisdictions in which they operate.

We work with clients to achieve their transactional objectives and as such assist in rendering compliant agreements, business strategies and policies to minimize risk and liability. We work closely with the Federal Trade Commission and Department of Justice in the U.S., the EU Commission and the U.K. Competition and Markets Authority, as well as other government agencies as appropriate on each individual transaction to address and resolve issues in a timely fashion, including investigations.

Competition laws can also serve as tools to safeguard clients' commercial interests and reputations. Working in association with our litigation colleagues, we have experience initiating court proceedings to restrain breaches of competition law, as well as claiming damages for any losses suffered.

We advise clients in the following core areas:

GENERAL COUNSEL AND COMPLIANCE

- Compliance audits, programs and training
- Distributing, franchising, supply chain and licensing relationships
- Joint ventures
- E-commerce
- Trade associations
- Pricing and discounts
- Information exchange

FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT

- Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS)
- U.K. National Security and Investment Act 2021 (NSI)
- EU member states FDI regulation
- Mandatory and voluntary filings

COMPETITION INVESTIGATIONS

- Cartels
- Anticompetitive agreements
- Abuse of dominance
- Market studies
- Market investigations
- Information and inspection requests
- Leniency applications
- Settlements

MERGER CONTROL

- Strategy
- EU Merger Regulation
- U.K. Enterprise Act 2002
- International filing requirements
- Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act
- Investigations (Phase I and II)
- Procedural investigations

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

- Trademark, copyright and patent licensing
- Parallel importing
- Post-grant proceedings and inter partes review
- Refusal to license/supply
- Standards
- Standard Essential Patents (SEP)
- Secondary markets

U.K. COMPETITION LITIGATION

- Injunctions
- Actions for damages
- Follow-on damages actions
- Collective proceedings and class actions
- Defense in commercial disputes
- Arbitration
- Regulatory Appeals

SECTORAL REGULATION

- Ex ante EU and U.K. regulated sectors
- EU Digital Markets Act and Digital Services Act
- U.K. Digital Markets Unit
- Financial services
- Communications
- Energy
- Rail
- Water

INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND SANCTIONS

- Customs (tariffs, quotas and reliefs)
- Import/export licenses
- Bilateral and multilateral trade agreements
- Trade remedies (anti-dumping, countervailing duties and safeguards)
- Market access and national treatment issues (standards and conformity assessments)
- Economic and financial sanctions
- Government procurement
- Export controls
- Anti-bribery and corruption law

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