

ANTITRUST AND TRADE PRACTICES

Clients around the world seek out Armstrong Teasdale's Antitrust and Trade Practices lawyers to counsel and protect them in matters involving global antitrust and competition issues. In today's fast-paced business environment, we provide proactive and practical counsel to help our clients achieve their goals while managing risks and maintaining compliance.

Armstrong Teasdale's lawyers provide commercially focused, competition and regulatory advice and support to the firm's clients ranging from antitrust compliance and training to cartel and competition law investigations, as well as merger control filings.

Our lawyers advise both public and private companies and have significant experience with premerger filings under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act.

We work closely with the Federal Trade Commission and Department of Justice as well as other government agencies as appropriate on each individual transaction to address and resolve issues.

In addition, our lawyers provide counsel on issues that impact business planning, statutory and regulatory compliance, international trade and sanctions, and the formation and management of business relationships with suppliers, customers, industry associations and competitors.

We counsel our clients on a wide variety of matters, including:

- Antitrust and competition investigations
- Market conduct and dominance
- Compliance audits, internal investigations and training
- U.S. and international merger control, including acquisitions and divestitures
- Antitrust and competition litigation
- International trade and sanctions
- EU product safety and environmental directives
- Distribution, e-commerce, supply and licensing relationships
- Marketing and advertising activities
- Membership and participation in trade associations
- Pricing arrangements and restrictions
- Sectoral regulation (utilities, communications and transport)
- Public procurement
- Unfair and deceptive trade practices

EXPERIENCE

Antitrust Case Involving Agriculture



Represented a multibillion-dollar company against antitrust claims brought by three putative classes, numerous direct-action plaintiffs and various state attorneys general.

Dismissal of Antitrust, Unfair Competition, Trade Secrets Claims Against Video Streaming Company

Secured dismissal in U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York of claims against a wireless video streaming technology company. The client faced antitrust, unfair competition and counterclaims over trade secrets from a Chinese competitor.

Pricing Policy Compliance Training for Manufacturer Resellers

Provided training for resellers of a privately held manufacturing and distribution company to ensure compliance with the company's Minimum Advertised Price Policy. Training included overview of relevant antitrust laws and discussion of real-world pricing scenarios.

Successful Objection to Massive Class Counsel Fee Request

On mega-settlement of antitrust action, obtained a judgment order reducing class counsel's fee award by eight-figures – notwithstanding our client's prior written agreement to the higher amount class counsel requested in fees.

Defense of Manufacturer in Antitrust and Consumer Fraud Class Actions

Defended international engine manufacturer in U.S. and Canadian antitrust and consumer fraud class action lawsuits.

\$81 Million Plastics Industry Acquisition

Represented the acquiring company in an \$81 million acquisition in the plastics industry.

\$850 Million Pet Food Industry Reorganization

Represented acquiring and acquired persons in an \$850 million reorganization in the pet food industry.

\$111 Million Construction Industry Acquisition

Represented acquired persons in a \$111 million acquisition in the construction industry involving industrial building, pipelines, and power and communication lines.

\$300 Million Health Care Finance Acquisition

Represented a company in the health care finance industry acquired in a \$300 million transaction.

\$90 Million Plastics Industry Acquisition

Represented acquiring person in a \$90 million acquisition in the electrical and electronic fabricated plastics industry.

\$300 Million Medical Device Industry Acquisition

Represented a public company in the medical device industry acquired in a \$300 million transaction.

Antitrust Case Involving Multibillion-Dollar Agriculture Company and Food Processor

Represented a multibillion-dollar agriculture and food processing company against antitrust claims brought by three putative classes, numerous direct-action plaintiffs and various state attorneys general.

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

February 16, 2016

Tech Company Reaches \$28 Million Settlement in Chinese Bribery Probe