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About Christopher Christopher Gordon is a member of our Competition – Antitrust Practice Group. His practice includes handling both civil and criminal litigation matters as well as federal and state government investigations; representing clients in mergers and acquisitions before the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice and state competition authorities; and counseling clients on a variety of joint venture and marketing and distribution practices. He has extensive experience in developing and implementing global antitrust compliance programs and has handled diverse matters involving consumer protection issues, advertising and trade association activities.

Christopher has advised clients in a variety of industries, with a particular emphasis on antitrust-related hospital and healthcare issues. He has represented healthcare clients before both federal and state competition agencies, as well as in private litigation, and has counseled clients on antitrust issues related to managed care contracting, clinical integration and provider collaborations. He has also counseled clients in the chemicals, manufacturing, pharmaceuticals, financial services, aerospace, steel, entertainment, transportation, food and beverage and consumer products industries.

Christopher has significant criminal and civil antitrust litigation experience. He has defended clients in connection with Department of Justice criminal price-fixing investigations, as well as private class actions alleging violations of the Sherman Act.

He is a member of the District of Columbia Bar and the American Bar Association's Section of Antitrust Law.

Experience

- Defending a major hospital system in an antitrust class action alleging price fixing, unlawful standard-setting activities and illegal information exchanges among competitors.
- Represent an international association of the world's leading beverage companies on antitrust compliance matters.
- Representing a vertically integrated health system in private antitrust litigation alleging unlawful exclusive dealing and monopolization claims.

- Representing a large managed care payor in private antitrust litigation involving unlawful refusal to deal and attempted monopolization claims.
- Representing Japan- and US-based freight forwarders in connection with a US Department of Justice criminal price-fixing investigation and related civil class actions.
- Representing a pipe fittings manufacturer in connection with a US Department of Justice criminal investigation and FTC civil investigation into alleged price-fixing and unlawful information sharing activities.
- Defending the merger of the second and third largest hospitals in a three-hospital community.
- Representing a latex glove manufacturer in connection with a US Department of Justice civil investigation concerning alleged price-fixing activities.
- Representing a large steel manufacturer in private antitrust litigation involving monopolization claims.
- Representing two health systems in connection with a state antitrust investigation into the acquisition of assets from a competing health system.
- Defending a large health system consortium in an FTC investigation into alleged illegal contracting activities including misuse of a messenger model.
- Representing a major chemicals manufacturer before the FTC and various non-US competition authorities in the acquisition of a competing chemicals manufacturer.
- Representing a major sports franchise and an affiliated ticketing company in private litigation alleging antitrust violations against a competing ticketing company.

Credentials

Education

- University of Virginia, J.D., 1998
- University of Virginia, B.A., 1995

Admissions

- District of Columbia, 1999

Courts

- U.S. Ct. of App., District of Columbia Circuit
- U.S. Dist. Ct., Dist. of Columbia

Expertise

Services

- Antitrust & Competition

Industries

- Healthcare

Publications & Speaking

- Co-author, "5 Antitrust Issues For In-House Counsel In 2025", *Law360*, January 2025.

Engagements

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