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Jamie France is a partner in the Washington, D.C. office of Gibson Dunn and a member of the firm's Antitrust and Competition Practice Group.

Jamie represents clients in merger and non-merger investigations before the U.S. Federal Trade Commission and the U.S. Department of Justice Antitrust Division, as well as in complex private and government antitrust litigation. She also counsels clients on a range of antitrust merger and conduct matters. Her experience encompasses a broad set of industries, including healthcare, technology, consumer goods, retail, pharmaceuticals, software, financial services, medical devices, and gaming. Jamie has been recognized in the 2024 edition of the *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America* for Antitrust Law and Litigation – Antitrust.

Jamie joined the firm after six years as an attorney in the Mergers IV Division of the Federal Trade Commission's Bureau of Competition, where she served in lead roles on high-profile merger investigations and enforcement actions. Jamie has significant experience litigating merger challenges on behalf of merging parties and the government and was an integral member of the FTC's trial teams on *FTC v. Thomas Jefferson University*, *FTC v. Hackensack Meridian Health*, *FTC v. Sanford Health*, *FTC v. Advocate Health Care Network*, and *FTC v. Benco Dental Supply*. She was twice honored with the FTC's Janet D. Steiger Award for her contributions to the *Sanford* and *Advocate* litigations. Before joining the FTC, Jamie was an associate in Gibson Dunn's Washington, D.C. office. She served as a law clerk to Chief Judge Royce C. Lamberth of the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia.

Representative matters include:

- Trial counsel for **Community Health Systems** in *FTC v. Novant Health* (W.D.N.C.), defeating the FTC's motion for a preliminary injunction.
- Trial counsel for **Edwards Lifesciences** in the FTC's challenge to the proposed acquisition of JenaValve Technology (D.D.C.).
- Lead counsel for **Nielsen** and **NCS** in obtaining FTC clearance for the sale of advertising targeting and measurement businesses to Circana.
- Represented **Amazon** in securing FTC clearance for the acquisition of One Medical.
- Lead counsel for **PepsiCo** and its **Frito-Lay** business in obtaining FTC clearance for the acquisition of Siete Foods.
- Lead counsel for **Hershey** in securing FTC clearance for the acquisition of snack company LesserEvil.
- Represented **Merck** in securing global antitrust clearance for the acquisition of Acceleron Pharma.

Capabilities

Antitrust and Competition
Consumer Products and Retail
Litigation
Trials

Credentials

Education

University of Texas - 2011 Juris Doctor
George Washington University - 2008 Bachelor of Arts

Admissions

New York Bar
District of Columbia Bar

Clerkships

USDC, District of Columbia, Hon. Royce C. Lamberth, 2011 - 2012

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- Representing **Hartford HealthCare** and its affiliates in private antitrust litigation brought by a competitor and in separate antitrust actions brought by two putative classes of customers.
- Represented **financial services company** as a successful claimant in antitrust arbitration involving monopolization claims.
- Represented multiple **employers** in FTC investigations related to labor competition.
- Represented **global food producer** in FTC 6(b) study on supply chain disruptions.

Jamie graduated with honors from the University of Texas School of Law in 2011, where she served as a Notes Editor on the *Texas Law Review*. Jamie was recognized with a Burton Award for Distinguished Legal Writing in 2011 for her publication, *A Proposed Solar Access Law for the State of Texas*, 89 Tex. L. Rev. 187 (2010). She graduated *magna cum laude* from the George Washington University in 2008 with a Bachelor of Arts in International Affairs and Spanish.

Jamie is admitted to practice in the District of Columbia and New York, and before multiple federal district courts across the country, including the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia.

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