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Stuart Houston is an associate in the London office of Gibson Dunn and a member of the firm's Antitrust and Competition Practice Group. Stuart is a dual-qualified solicitor, admitted in England & Wales and Ireland.

Stuart has broad experience advising clients on a wide range of antitrust and regulatory issues including cartel investigations and leniency proceedings, abuse of dominance investigations, market studies and sectoral investigations as well as merger control, foreign investment and national security.

Prior to joining Gibson Dunn, Stuart practised in the Competition and Regulatory group at a premier law firm, spending time in both the London and Brussels offices.

#### **Stuart's experience includes advising: \***

- Alphabet, Inc. and Google LLC in relation to the European Commission's investigation under Article 102 TFEU into Google's business practices in digital advertising and the subsequent successful appeal of the European Commission's AdSense Decision to the General Court of the European Union.
- Vodafone Group PLC in relation to the merger of Vodafone UK and Three UK, the commercialisation of its UK tower portfolio and the operation of its UK network sharing partnership with Virgin Media O2.
- Suez S.A. in relation to its public takeover by Veolia.
- Taylor Wimpey PLC in relation to the CMA's consumer law investigation in relation to leasehold homes and the CMA's housebuilding market study.
- Google LLC in relation to the CMA's digital platforms and online advertising market study.
- A client in relation to parallel cartel investigations by the CMA and the European Commission and related applications for immunity from fines.

*\*Some of these representations occurred prior to Stuart's association with Gibson Dunn.*

#### **Capabilities**

Antitrust and Competition  
Consumer Protection

#### **Credentials**

##### **Education**

BPP University - 2017 Legal Practice Course  
BPP University - 2016 Graduate Diploma in Law  
University of Glasgow - 2015 Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.)

##### **Admissions**

Ireland - Solicitor  
England & Wales - Solicitor