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Melanie L. Katsur is a partner in Gibson Dunn's Washington, D.C. office. She practices in the firm's Litigation Department, and she is a member of the firm's Antitrust and Competition and Class Action Practice Groups.

Melanie has substantial experience defending clients in complex commercial litigation matters in state and federal courts, including appellate courts, with a focus on antitrust and class actions. Her antitrust litigation experience includes representing clients in disputes in a range of industries, including financial services and consumer products. She has represented companies in class actions involving a range of antitrust-based claims, including allegations of price fixing, bid-rigging, tying, bundling, market allocation, and no-poach agreements. She also has represented clients facing monopolization and attempted monopolization claims.

Her general class action litigation experience includes multi-district litigation, actions in state and federal courts (both trial and appellate), and the representation of clients in a wide variety of industries, such as insurance, consumer products, securities, and healthcare.

Representative Antitrust Matters:

- The defense of a major international financial institution in class action and other litigation alleging manipulation of foreign exchange benchmarks.
- The defense of a major international financial institution in class action litigations alleging manipulation of various precious metals benchmarks.
- The defense of a major international financial institution in multidistrict litigation alleging bid-rigging of U.S. Treasury auctions.
- The defense of a major healthcare company in litigation alleging monopolization by a competitor.
- The defense of a major healthcare company in class action litigation alleging no-poach agreements.
- The defense of a generic drug manufacturer in class action and other litigation alleging price fixing in the generic drug industry.
- The defense of a magazine distributor in litigation alleging a conspiracy to monopolize magazine wholesale markets.

She also has represented companies confronting investigations by regulatory authorities, including the U.S. Department of Justice, with parallel lawsuits filed by state attorneys general and the private class action bar. In addition, she has significant experience representing clients before arbitration panels.

Capabilities

Antitrust and Competition
Class Actions

Credentials

Education

Duke University - 2001 Juris Doctor
Boston College - 1998 Bachelor of Arts

Admissions

Pennsylvania Bar
District of Columbia Bar

Clerkships

US Court of Appeals, 11th Circuit, Hon. Susan H. Black, 2001 - 2002

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Prior to joining the firm in 2002, Melanie served as a law clerk for the Honorable Susan H. Black of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit. She earned her law degree *cum laude* from Duke University School of Law in 2001, where she was a Staff Editor for the *Journal of Law and Contemporary Problems* and a member of the Moot Court Board. Melanie earned a Bachelor of Arts degree *magna cum laude* in English and Political Science from Boston College in 1998, where she was a member of the Political Science Honors Program and Phi Beta Kappa.

Melanie is a member of the firm's Pro Bono and Diversity Committees, and she previously served on the firm's Hiring Committee. In 2014, the Gibson Dunn Pro Bono Committee awarded Melanie with the Frank Wheat Memorial Award for her outstanding achievements and commitment to pro bono initiatives. The Frank Wheat Memorial Award is given annually to the individual lawyer and team that demonstrated leadership and initiative in their pro bono work, obtained significant results for their pro bono clients, and served as a source of inspiration to others.

She is admitted to practice in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the District of Columbia, as well as numerous federal district and appellate courts, including the United States Supreme Court.

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