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Christopher Kopp is an associate in the Washington D.C. office of Gibson Dunn and a member of the firm's White Collar and Antitrust and Competition Practice Groups. Chris's practice is focused on advising multinational corporations on Bank Secrecy Act/anti-money laundering, anti-corruption, and antitrust matters, with a particular focus on assisting clients navigating Department of Justice and Federal Trade Commission investigations, as well as private party litigation involving complex antitrust and consumer protection issues.

Chris earned recognition in the 2026 edition of *Best Lawyers in America©:* "Ones to Watch" for his work in Administrative - Regulatory Law practice.

Chris's antitrust experience includes representing:

- VMware in securing global antitrust clearance of its $61 billion acquisition by Broadcom;
- AT&T in its successful defense of DOJ's challenge to AT&T's $85.4 billion acquisition of Time Warner;
- Deutsche Telekom in its successful defense of a challenge by 16 states to the Sprint–T-Mobile merger;
- Smithfield Foods in connection to a multi-district class action alleging a decade-long price fixing conspiracy;
- Welbilt in its proposed acquisition by Middleby and then in the successful topping bid acquisition by Ali Group;

Chris's investigations and white collar experience includes representing:

- A money transmitter in connection to a DOJ investigation of alleged Bank Secrecy Act violations;
- A global telecommunications company in connection to a DOJ investigation of foreign bribery and money laundering;
- A large Israeli bank in connection to a government investigation of alleged tax evasion.

Chris also spent a year seconded at a large technology company, where he was responsible for responding to regulatory investigations and inquiries, including outreach from state and federal regulators regarding workplace safety, controlled substances sold on the company's marketplace, artificial intelligence controls, and discrimination. Chris's responsibilities included coordinating with multiple in-house business teams, preparing advocacy, briefing senior business and legal leaders, managing outside counsel, as well as designing and implementing ethics and compliance programs.

Capabilities

Antitrust and Competition
Intellectual Property
Litigation
White Collar Defense and Investigations

Credentials

Education

University of Michigan - 2014 Juris Doctor
University of Maryland - 2009 Bachelor of Arts

Admissions

Maryland Bar
District of Columbia Bar

Clerkships

US Court of Appeals, 6th Circuit, Hon. Deborah Cook, 2016 - 2017
USDC, Eastern District of Michigan, Hon. Stephen Murphy, 2014 - 2016

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Chris received his J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School in 2014, where he graduated *magna cum laude*. He earned his B.A., *cum laude*, from the University of Maryland in 2009.

Prior to joining the firm, Chris served as a law clerk to the Honorable Stephen J. Murphy on the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, and to the Honorable Deborah L. Cook on the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit. Prior to attending law school, he served as a non-commissioned officer in the United States Marine Corps.

He is admitted to practice in Maryland and the District of Columbia.

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