

# Webcast: Expectations for Antitrust in the Trump 2.0 Administration

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Following the presidential election in November, attorneys from Gibson Dunn's Antitrust and Competition Law Practice Group explore current policies and priorities, and forecast how those may evolve with the new administration. The speakers discuss what companies can expect regarding merger enforcement, civil antitrust investigations and enforcement, and other policy initiatives.

**PANELISTS:** **Jamie France** represents clients in antitrust merger and non-merger investigations before the U.S. Federal Trade Commission, U.S. Department of Justice Antitrust Division, state Attorneys General, and international competition authorities, as well as in complex private and government antitrust litigation. She also counsels clients on a range of antitrust merger and conduct matters. 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 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.

**Admissions:** District of Columbia Bar, New York Bar **Svetlana Gans** focuses on complex consumer protection and competition matters before the Federal Trade Commission and Department of Justice Antitrust Division, and related Hill advocacy. Svetlana previously served in multiple roles at the Federal Trade Commission for almost a decade. Most recently, she served as the FTC chief of staff in the first Trump Administration and advisor to Acting FTC Chairman Maureen K. Ohlhausen on agency investigations and litigation, interagency coordination, and other matters. In addition to other work, Svetlana led the process reform, regulatory reform, agency transparency, and economic liberty initiatives for the Chairman's Office. Prior to her elevation to Chief of Staff, Svetlana uniquely served as a senior attorney in both the Bureau of Competition and the Bureau of Consumer Protection, handling merger and consumer protection investigations and litigation. In addition to her other volunteer work mentoring young lawyers and law students interested in consumer protection and antitrust law, Svetlana serves as an Officer of the ABA Antitrust Law Section and the Chairman of the Federalist Society Corporations, Securities, and Antitrust Executive Committee.

**Admissions:** District of Columbia Bar **Kristen Limarzi** represent clients in merger and non-merger investigations before the DOJ, the Federal Trade Commission, and foreign antitrust enforcers, as well as in appellate and civil litigation. Prior to joining the firm, she served as a top enforcement official in the U.S. Department of Justice's Antitrust Division, where, as Section Chief, she helped shape and implement the agency's enforcement priorities and policies for both mergers and other business practices across industries. Recognized as "Dealmaker of the Year" for 2023 by *Global Competition Review*, Kristen brings a practical approach to helping clients navigate the increasingly complex antitrust enforcement environment, employing her deep experience with agency practice to achieve successful results in an efficient manner.

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