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As antitrust counsel, Jackie Java represents companies in all antitrust aspects of mergers and acquisitions, from initial antitrust analyses and the preparation of Hart-Scott-Rodino filings, through government investigations and Second Requests. She frequently counsels clients on the competitive implications of proposed transactions and strategies for obtaining regulatory clearance. Jackie has counseled many clients on the antitrust pitfalls associated with due diligence and integration planning in connection with mergers, particularly where the parties operate in highly concentrated industries. She has also assisted with filings required by foreign antitrust authorities. Jackie was part of the Bracewell antitrust team recognized by Legalease's *The Legal 500 United States* in Antitrust-Merger Control (2017-2018).

Jackie also advises clients involved in transactions and day-to-day operations that raise antitrust issues regarding interactions among competitors, the formation of joint ventures, distribution and pricing policies and programs, information exchanges, and allegations of price fixing, market allocation, and other anticompetitive practices. Jackie is particularly experienced in managing complex relationships in industries where companies simultaneously act as competitors, customers and collaborators. Jackie is also experienced in developing and implementing industry-specific antitrust training and compliance programs. In addition, she serves as antitrust counsel to trade associations, informal groups seeking to establish trade associations and clients seeking to participate in information exchanges or third-party industry studies.

As antitrust counsel, Jackie represents clients in many industries. She has particular experience with energy-related businesses, including power generation, pipeline transportation and storage, natural gas and power trading, oil and gas field services and bulk liquids storage.

Industries

[Energy](#)

Practices

[Antitrust & Competition](#)

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Credentials

Education

- The University of Chicago, J.D., 2000
- The University of Denver, B.S., 1997

Bar Admissions

- District of Columbia
- Virginia

The Legal 500 United States

- Antitrust – Merger Control, 2017 – 2018
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Resources

Antitrust Agencies Issue Final New Guidelines for Vertical Mergers

Update

DOJ Issues New Merger Remedies Manual, Emphasizes Structural Remedy Preference

Update

FTC Announces 2024 Increase in HSR Notification Thresholds and Filing Fees

Update

HSR Notification Thresholds Decrease Slightly for 2021

Update

Khan Confirmation to FTC Foreshadows More Aggressive Antitrust Agenda

Update

President Signs Executive Order Directing Federal Agencies to Promote Competition and Increase Antitrust Enforcement

Update

Stalemate at FTC Leads to Contested Merger Closing

Update

Antitrust Agencies Aim to Strengthen Merger Guidelines Amidst Broader Scrutiny of M&A Activity

Update

HSR Notification Thresholds Increase for 2022

Update

Congress Enacts Major Overhaul to HSR Filing Fees for M&A Deals

Update

FTC Pursues Crackdown on Employee Noncompetes

Update

FTC Announces 2023 Increase in HSR Notification Thresholds and Effective Date for Increased Filing Fees

Update

FTC Proposes Sweeping Changes to US Merger Filing Requirements

Update

What Once Was Old Is New Again: DOJ and FTC Issue Draft New Merger Guidelines

Update

FTC Acts to Remedy Interlocking Director and Information Exchange Concerns in Oil & Gas Transaction

Update

DOJ and FTC Finalize New Merger Guidelines

Update

FTC Finalizes Major Rewrite of HSR Filing Requirements

Update

FTC Imposes Record Fine on Oil Companies for Illegal Pre-Merger Conduct

Update

FTC Announces 2025 HSR Notification Threshold and Filing Fee Increases

Update

Publications & Speeches

- "Criminal Prosecutions over No-Poaching Arrangements Are Coming," *Society for Human Resource Management*, April 5, 2018.
- "Beating the Competition: Antitrust Issues in Mergers & Acquisitions," *Recycling Today*, May 2016.
- *ABA Premerger Notification Practice Manual*, Fifth Edition, February 2015.
- "FTC Broadens Notification Requirements for Transfers of Pharmaceutical Patent Rights," *IP Today*, January 2014.
- "Deal Makers Beware: Recent Trends in U.S. Merger Enforcement," *CPI Antitrust Chronicle*, October 2012.
- "Agencies Approach Merger Enforcement More Aggressively," *New York Law Journal*, August 2012.
- "Implications of Recent Antitrust Developments and Trends for M&A," *The Antitrust Counselor*, July 2012.