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Chris Yook is a senior associate in the Antitrust practice of King & Spalding. He advises clients on the antitrust implications of strategic business decisions, including securing approvals for cross border mergers and acquisitions. Chris also represents clients in government enforcement actions and complex civil litigation, including some of the largest class actions. He has been named a “Rising Star” for antitrust litigation in *Washington SuperLawyers* from 2016 through 2019.

His recent matters include securing one of the first dismissals of a corporate defendant in the *In re Generic Pharmaceuticals Pricing Antitrust Litigation*. Chris also holds leadership roles in bar associations, including his current appointment in the ABA Section of Antitrust Law as Vice-Chair of the Content Committee.

Publications

- Contributor, *Antitrust Law Developments* (8th ed.)
- Contributor, *2018 Annual Review of Antitrust Law Developments*
- Contributor, *2017 Annual Review of Antitrust Law Developments*
- Editor, *Health Care Antitrust Week-In-Review*
- *Antitrust Post-Mortem of the Health Insurance Merger Decisions*, American Health Lawyers Association
- *Benchmarking and Information Exchange: A Survey of U.S. Antitrust Laws*, ABA Section of Antitrust Law, Spring Meeting 2017
- *Avoiding Failure: Applying Decision Theory to the Eminent Domain Jurisprudence*, 20 Fed. Cir. B.J. 443 (2011)

Matters

Obtained dismissal **Porsche Cars North America, Inc.** and **Dr. Ing. H.C. F. Porsche AG** from multidistrict litigation alleging antitrust conspiracy over technological advancements, features, and costs (*In re German Automotive Manufacturers Antitrust Litigation*).

Successfully represented **WestRock Company** in its \$4.9 billion acquisition of KapStone Paper & Packaging as part of investigation by the U.S. Department of Justice, Antitrust Division. The

transaction was cleared without an enforcement action.

Counseled **Oschner Health System** in an antitrust investigation of a joint operating agreement with Slidell Memorial Hospital.

Advised pharmaceutical company on antitrust implications of pricing policy.

Secured dismissal of generic pharmaceuticals manufacturer from price-fixing cartel multidistrict litigation (*In re Generic Pharmaceuticals Pricing Antitrust Litigation*).

Represented two Japanese automobile parts manufacturers in price-fixing cartel actions and government investigations spanning multiple jurisdictions (*In re Automotive Parts Antitrust Litigation*).

Counseled medical device manufacturer on antitrust issues related to development of product distribution policy.

Second-chaired jury trial, obtaining defense verdict for corporation in civil action involving fraud and misrepresentation claims.

Credentials

EDUCATION

J.D., George Washington University, with honors
B.A., Johns Hopkins University

ADMISSIONS

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
U.S. Court of International Trade
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan
District of Columbia
Maryland

Insights

ARTICLE

July 25, 2019 • Source: *Antitrust Magazine*
Perils of Perilous-Leading Theory and Output Decisions

March 5, 2019 • Source: *Lexis Practice Advisor*
Sherman Act Section 1 Fundamentals

CLIENT ALERT

January 8, 2019
New House Democratic Majority Proposes Aggressive Antitrust Scrutiny

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Events

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

November 12, 2018
Chris Yook to Speak at the American Health Lawyers Association's Fundamentals of Health Law Conference

July 14, 2018

Chris Yook to Present on Antitrust Hot Topics at NAPABA's Government Enforcement and Compliance Committee Meeting

June 12, 2018

Chris Yook to Speak at ABA's Section of Antitrust Law Event

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News

IN THE NEWS

June 17, 2019 • Source: Law360 and Bloomberg Law

Norm Armstrong, Alan Dial, Brian Meiners and Christopher Yook secure a favorable outcome for Porsche in federal court in the Northern District of California

April 30, 2019 • Source: The Hollywood Reporter and Law360

Kenny Steinthal, Blake Cunningham, Christopher Yook and David Mattern represent Peloton in its antitrust dispute

March 15, 2019 • Source: Reorg

Chris Yook provides insights as to why the FTC's recent track record of voting 3-2 along party lines in merger cases could affect how companies interact with the agency during future reviews

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