

# Christopher Yook (Chris)

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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 mergers and acquisitions. Chris also represents clients in complex civil litigation, including some of the largest class actions. His recent matters include obtaining one of the first dismissals of a corporate defendant in the *In re Generic Pharmaceuticals Pricing Antitrust Litigation*.

Chris is recommended in the *Legal 500 US* guide and he has been named a “Rising Star” for antitrust litigation in *Washington SuperLawyers* from 2016 through 2020. He currently serves as Vice-Chair of the Content Committee in the ABA Section of Antitrust Law. Chris also sits on the executive board of the Asian Pacific American Bar Association of Maryland and is an American Bar Foundation Fellow.

## 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

## Recognition

Recommended in Legal 500  
LEGAL 500 US ANTITRUST

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Rising Star  
SUPER LAWYERS, 2016-2020

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Ones to Watch, Antitrust Law  
BEST LAWYERS, 2021

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## Insights

### CLIENT ALERT

May 4, 2020

Florida Oncology Provider to Pay \$100 Million Fine in DOJ Criminal Antitrust Investigation

January 6, 2020

DOJ and Commerce Department Issue Antitrust Guidance on SEPs

October 25, 2019

Senators Urge DOJ to Develop Antitrust Guidance for Licensing of Standard Essential Patents

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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

*March 3, 2021 • Source: Law360 and Bloomberg Law*

Norm Armstrong, Bobby Burchfield, Shannon Kasley and Chris Yook counsel Evangelical Community Hospital on its settlement with the DOJ

*October 16, 2020 • Source: Reorg*

Chris Yook explains why there will likely be significant pressure to have three Democratic commissioners at the FTC if Joe Biden wins this year's presidential election

### RECOGNITION

*August 21, 2020*

The Best Lawyers in America Recognizes 128 King & Spalding Lawyers in its 2021 Guide

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