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FOCUS AREAS

Antitrust Civil Enforcement
Antitrust Compliance and
Business Strategy
Antitrust Litigation
Antitrust Merger Clearance
Antitrust and Competition
Third-Party Merger and
Non-Merger Antitrust
Representation

HIGHLIGHTS

- Regulatory Veteran**
Jamillia has held leadership positions and has overseen mergers at both the Antitrust Division of the DOJ and the FCC.
- Experience in High-Profile Matters**
In 2014, she led the FCC's review of AT&T's proposed \$49 billion acquisition of DIRECTV, overseeing all aspects of the FCC process.
- Antitrust Bar Involvement**
Jamillia has served in numerous leadership positions in the Section of Antitrust Law of the American Bar Association and currently serves on the Council of the Antitrust Section.

EXPERIENCE

Jamillia Ferris is a *Chambers*-ranked antitrust partner in the Washington, D.C., office of Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati. She represents companies across multiple industries in merger matters and civil conduct investigations before the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) and the Federal Trade Commission (FTC).

Jamillia is also an experienced counselor, helping companies comply with antitrust laws as they engage in a wide range of business conduct, including joint ventures and pricing and distribution, among others.

Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business praised Jamillia for her ability "to quickly and accurately assess a situation and navigate the various personalities involved with ease" and described her as "calm, thoughtful, practical, and able to translate complicated issues in an easily understandable way to board members and executives."

Prior to joining Wilson Sonsini, Jamillia served in various leadership positions and has overseen mergers at both the Antitrust Division of the DOJ and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). While at the DOJ, Jamillia served as chief of staff and counsel to the assistant attorney general of the Antitrust Division. In 2014, Jamillia was hired to lead the FCC's review of AT&T's proposed \$49 billion acquisition of DIRECTV. In this role, she directed all aspects of the FCC's investigation. She was also a member of the steering committee overseeing the FCC's review of Comcast's proposed \$45 billion acquisition of Time Warner Cable.

Jamillia regularly presents to global audiences on the state of antitrust law and currently serves on the Council of the Antitrust Section of the ABA. In addition, she has served on the board of the DC

Volunteer Lawyers Project, which provides comprehensive legal services to victims of domestic violence, as well as on the Advisory Council of Lemonada Media.

CREDENTIALS

Education

- J.D., Georgetown University Law Center
- B.A., The George Washington University

Associations and Memberships

- Council Member, Section of Antitrust Law, American Bar Association
- Editor, *The Source* (ABA Antitrust Law Section publication), 2019-2020
- Council Member, Section of Antitrust Law, American Bar Association
- Vice Chair, Media and Technology Committee, Section of Antitrust Law, American Bar Association, 2015-2018
- Vice Chair, Intellectual Property Committee, Section of Antitrust Law, American Bar Association, 2013-2015
- Co-chair, Fall Forum Conference, Section of Antitrust Law, American Bar Association, 2014
- Vice Chair, Professional Development Committee, Hispanic Bar Association of the District of Columbia, 2014
- Non-Governmental Advisor, International Competition Network, 2013-2014

Honors

- Named in the 2021-2023 editions of *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business*
- Recognized in the 2022 edition of *Lawdragon 500 Leading Litigators in America – Antitrust & Competition Law, including M&A, Clearance, Investigations, Litigation*
- Recognized in *Global Competition Review's* 2021 edition of Women in Antitrust
- Recognized in the 2021-2023 editions of *Global Competition Review/Who's Who Legal – Competition*

Admissions

- Bar of the District of Columbia
- State Bar of Maryland

MATTERS

Select Representations

Jamillia has provided antitrust representation to clients with respect to the following recent matters:

- Ebay in its acquisition of TCG Player*
- Roivant in its sale of Telavant to Roche*
- Zeus Company on its sale to EQT Partners*
- Coupa in its sale to Thoma Bravo*
- Credit Karma in its sale to Intuit
- Bungie in its sale to Sony
- Zynga in its sale to Take Two
- Lumentum in its acquisitions of NeoPhotonics and Oclaro
- DeepMap in its sale to Nvidia
- MaxLinear in its acquisition of Silicon Motion
- Mandiant in its acquisition by Google
- Marvell in numerous transactions, including its acquisition of Inphi
- Northrop Grumman Corporation in its sale of Federal IT and mission support services businesses to Peraton
- Nintex in its acquisition of K2
- Southeastern Grocers, Inc., in its sale of grocery stores and a distribution center to Ahold Delhaize
- Lumentum in its acquisitions of Oclaro and Neophotonics
- Wedding Wire in its combination with The Knot
- Microchip in its acquisition of Microsemi
- Brocade in connection with its sale to Broadcom
- Qualcomm in its defense against a hostile takeover attempt by Broadcom
- iControl in connection with its sale to Alarm.com
- Cvent in connection with its acquisition by Vista Partners
- NetSuite in connection with its acquisition by Oracle
- Coherent in its acquisition of ROFIN-SINAR Technologies
- Numerous non-public investigations into retail and grocery transactions

* Denotes experience at another law firm.

INSIGHTS

Select Publications

- Co-author with B. Buffier, J. Jacobson, J. Philipoom, and S. Sher, “FTC Defeats Facebook Motion to Dismiss Amended Complaint,” Wilson Sonsini Alert, January 18, 2022
- Co-author with S. Sher and J. Soven, “FTC Revises and Refiles Complaint Against Facebook,” Wilson Sonsini Alert, August 27, 2021
- Co-author with R. Gray and S. Sher, “Antitrust Enforcement in the Biden Administration: Assessing the M&A Risk,” Wilson Sonsini Alert, August 24, 2021
- Co-author with L. Edwards and L. Parnes, “Spotlight on Antitrust: FTC Open Meeting Reflects Changing Tide,” Wilson Sonsini Alert, July 6, 2021
- Co-author with S. Sher, M. Hale, and J. Miller, “Distribution Merger Challenges at the FTC,” Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati article, March 2021
- Co-editor and contributor, *Telecom Antitrust Handbook*, Third Edition, ABA Section of Antitrust Law, 2019
- Co-author, “Threading the Needle—Avoiding Antitrust Violations During the M&A Pre-Closing Period,” WSGR Alert, January 2, 2019
- Co-author, “‘I Have to File for That?’—Why Investors Should Remain Attentive to HSR Reporting Obligations,” WSGR Alert, October 29, 2018
- Co-author, “Lessons from the ATT/Time Warner Decision,” WSGR Alert, June 18, 2018
- Co-author with S. Creighton, T. Hoang, and R. Maddock, “Innovations Market Analysis: Twenty Years On” chapter, *Douglas H. Ginsburg: An Antitrust Professor on the Bench*, Vol. 1, Institute of Competition Law, 2018
- “Antitrust in the Trump Administration: New Landscape, Still Enforcing,” *Corporate Counsel Business Journal*, January 17, 2018
- Co-author, *2017 Antitrust Year in Review*, WSGR publication, January 4, 2018
- Co-author, “DOJ Reminds Companies That Expiration of HSR Waiting Period Is Not Always the Antitrust Agencies’ Final Say,” WSGR Alert, October 3, 2017
- Co-author, “Tips for Negotiating a Third-Party Subpoena in a Merger Investigation,” WSGR Alert, June 21, 2017
- Co-author with T. Serra, “DOJ Sues to Block Halliburton’s Purchase of Competitor Baker Hughes,” WSGR Alert, April 11, 2016
- Co-author, “Unlocking the Set-Top Box and Access to Video Programming—The FCC’s Latest Foray into Video Competition,” WSGR Alert, February 22, 2016
- Interview: FCC Merger Review, Fall/Winter 2015 edition of *The Threshold*, Mergers and Acquisitions Committee, ABA Section of Antitrust Law, Vol. 16, No. 1
- Co-author with C. Olsen, “Five Things to Know About Net Neutrality,” WSGR Alert, December 10, 2015

Speaking Engagements

- Presenter, “What’s Next from the Biden Administration in Antitrust Enforcement? Considerations for Software Companies,” Webinar, February 9, 2022
- Speaker, “Federal Trade Commission v. Facebook: How the FTC is Seeking to Shape U.S. Antitrust Law,” Lexology / Global Competition Review, October 20, 2021
- Panelist, “Antitrust & Competition in Key Industry Segments Conference,” Sandpiper Partner, July 15, 2021
- Panelist, “Future of Antitrust Enforcement in the Biden Administration,” USC School of Law for Transactional Law & Business and the USC Marshall School of Business Initiative on Digital Competition, July 13, 2021
- Panelist, “The New Antitrust Agenda in D.C.: What it Means for the Technology Space and Beyond,” Stanford University’s Rock Center for Corporate Governance, April 7, 2021
- Panelist, “Antitrust Scrutiny Under Biden: Setting Expectations,” 2021 Hispanic National Bar Association/VIA Corporate Counsel Conference, March 18, 2021
- Panelist, “Readying the Antitrust Division for Technological Evolution in the Financial Sector and Beyond,” The Rock Center for Corporate Governance at Stanford University Webinar, August 20, 2020
- Panelist, “7th Annual Bill Kovacic Antitrust Salon,” Concurrences & The George Washington University Law School, September 9, 2019
- Panel Moderator, “What Can Regulation Learn from Antitrust? And Vice Versa?” The 46th Research Conference on Communications, Information, and Internet Policy, American University Washington College of Law, Washington, D.C., September 22, 2018

- Speaker, “DC Regulatory: Spotlight on Antitrust and CFIUS,” Ivy Associates and Silicon Valley Association of General Counsel 2017 All Hands Meeting, October 18, 2017
- Panelist, “Broadcasting to a Different Audience: Interagency Review in Telecomm Mergers,” ABA Section of Antitrust Law, Mergers and Acquisitions Committee, May 3, 2017
- Panelist, “Invitations to Collude: A Brown Bag Panel,” ABA Section of Antitrust Law, Cartel and Criminal Practice Committee, May 1, 2017
- Moderator, “2016 Merger Challenges Retrospective,” GCR Live 6th Annual Antitrust Law Leaders Forum, Miami, Florida, February 3, 2017
- Speaker, “Regulatory Expectations from the New Administration,” WSGR panel presentation, Menlo Park, California, January 25, 2017
- Moderator, “An Obama Retrospective,” GCR Live Fourth Annual New York, New York, November 7, 2016
- Panelist, “Prospectives on Government Service Advancing Careers,” Women in Law Empowerment Forum, Washington, D.C., October 13, 2016
- Speaker, “Consumers v. the Public Interest: Divergent Merger Standards?” ABA Section of Antitrust Law Spring Meeting, Washington, D.C., April 7, 2016
- Panelist, “A Hands-On Review of a Telecommunications Merger Challenge,” The State Bar of California, Antitrust, UCL and Privacy Section webinar, March 3, 2016
- Panelist, “Future of Broadband Competition,” The Capitol Forum’s Second Annual Future of Broadband Competition Conference, December 17, 2015
- Speaker, “Merger Review: A Recap of the Comcast/Time Warner Cable/Charter and AT&T/DIRECTV Proceedings,” Federal Communications Bar Association Transactional Practice Committee CLE Seminar, November 17, 2015
- Speaker, “Nuts and Bolts of FCC Merger Review,” ABA Section of Antitrust Law, November 16, 2015
- Moderator, “PAEs: Privateering, Purchasing, and Patent Reform,” ABA Antitrust Intellectual Property Conference, 2015
- Luncheon Speaker, “One Practice, Many Paths,” The Grapevine, Women’s Network of Competition and Consumer Protection Professionals, 2015
- Panelist, “Are Antitrust Attacks on Patents Harming Innovation,” ABA Section of Antitrust Law Spring Meeting, 2015
- Panelist, “Hot Topics in Antitrust,” Hispanic National Bar Association National Convention, 2014
- Moderator, “Antitrust Fundamentals,” ABA Section of Antitrust Law Spring Meeting, 2014
- Panelist, “Social Media and Competition Policy,” New York State Bar Association Antitrust Section Annual Symposium, 2014
- Moderator, “Patent Commitments Outside of Standard-Setting Organizations,” ABA Section of Antitrust Law, Intellectual Property Committee Brownbag, 2013
- Moderator, “State Action on the Rocks,” ABA Section of Antitrust Law Fall Forum, 2013