

## Antitrust and Trade Regulation

The Antitrust and Trade Regulation Practice of Fowler White Boggs provides both counseling and litigation services for clients who face a variety of antitrust and other legal issues regulating competition in the marketplace.

Our lawyers regularly counsel clients from regarding product/service distribution arrangements, pricing practices, marketing and sales programs, joint ventures, mergers, acquisitions and other business practices and transactions and whether such practices comply with the Sherman Act, the Clayton Act, the Robinson-Patman Act and various state statutes, including the Florida Antitrust Act and the Florida Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act. The Antitrust and Trade Regulation Practice lawyers also counsel clients on franchise-related and other statute-governed distribution arrangements such as the Federal Automobile Dealers' Day In Court Act, the Florida Motor Fuel Marketing Practices Act, various alcoholic beverage distribution statutes, and other state distributor-protection statutes. The lawyers in our Antitrust and Trade Regulation Practice represent and counsel clients in connection with antitrust investigations conducted by state and federal authorities. Such experience includes counseling and defending clients who receive civil investigative demands from the Florida Attorney General's office and other antitrust-related investigations.

The lawyers that comprise the Antitrust and Trade Regulation Practice have substantial experience in litigating federal and state antitrust claims. Our experience extends not only to traditional antitrust claims, but also litigation involving franchising and other statute-governed distribution arrangements such as the Florida Automobile Dealer's Day In Court Act and the Florida Motor Fuel Marketing Practice Act. Our experience includes

- Successful defense of an ambulance company against charges of monopolization, price-fixing and group boycott. We attained summary judgment on behalf of the ambulance company.
- Successfully defended antitrust claims asserted promoters of horse shows against claims for violation of the Sherman Act and Florida Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act. Judgment in favor of clients affirmed by the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals.



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