



Leigh L. Oliver

Partner

Washington, D.C.

Biography

From strategic transactions to government investigations, Leigh Oliver helps companies step through their most difficult antitrust issues. She represents clients before both state and federal antitrust enforcers on matters such as domestic and multijurisdictional mergers, joint ventures, and competitor collaborations.

Leigh is known in the antitrust bar for working with clients in some of the most heavily scrutinized industries, including health care, life sciences, and aerospace and defense. Her tireless work ethic and ability to build relationships with witnesses and clients to gain in-depth understanding of competitive market dynamics creates the formula for a winning strategy. Leigh was named "Lawyer of the Year – Under 40" by *Global Competition Review (GCR)* in 2017 and a Mergers & Acquisitions (M&A) and Antitrust Trailblazer by the *National Law Journal* for her work in 2016.

She has played a critical role in defending health care providers in multiple FTC merger investigations and challenges, including the FTC challenge to the merger of Advocate Health Care and NorthShore University HealthSystem and in *LabCorp v. FTC*, which was named the 2011 "Litigation of the Year" by *GCR*. She is a Co-Chair of the ABA Antitrust Section's Health Care and Pharmaceuticals Committee and a member of the



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Practices

Antitrust and Competition

Industries

Aerospace and Defense
Life Sciences and Health Care
Diversified Industrials

Areas of focus

Abuse of Dominance and Restrictive Practices
Agency Investigations
Antitrust and Competition Litigation
Competition Compliance

American Health Lawyers Association.

Representative experience

Represented UW Health and UnityPoint Health in their proposed combination of healthcare provider and insurer services in Wisconsin.

Counsel to Advocate HealthCare in litigating the defense of its 2016 proposed merger with NorthShore University HealthSystem.

Counsel to LabCorp in various transactions, including defense of its challenged merger with Westcliff Medical Laboratories.

Counsel to Lahey Health and Winchester Hospital in a combination that was reviewed by the Massachusetts Health Policy Commission.

Antitrust counsel for PPG Industries, Inc. in various transactions, including the acquisition of Akzo Nobel's architectural coatings business.

Represented GenCorp-Aerojet in its acquisition of Pratt & Whitney Rocketdyne, a transaction that was opposed by the FTC.

Antitrust counsel to Orbital Sciences in its heavily scrutinized acquisition of ATK.

Awards and rankings

- Healthcare: Advice to Service Providers, Next Generation Partner, *Legal 500 US*, 2019-2020
- Competition: Future Leaders, Most Highly Regarded, *Who's Who Legal*, 2017-2019
- 40 in their 40s: Notable Women Competition Professionals in Americas, *W@*, 2019
- Antitrust: Merger Control, *Legal 500 US*, 2017-2019
- Lawyer of the Year - Under 40, *Global Competition Review (GCR)*, 2017

Merger Control

Cell, Tissue, and Gene Therapies

Education and admissions

Education

J.D., The Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law, magna cum laude, 2004

B.A., Haverford College, 2000

Memberships

Co-Chair, ABA Antitrust Section Health Care and Pharmaceuticals Committee

Member, American Bar Association (ABA)

Member, American Health Lawyers Association (AHLA)

Bar admissions and qualifications

District of Columbia

Maryland

- Competition, *Who's Who Legal*, 2017
- Merger & Acquisitions (M&A) and Antitrust Trailblazer, *National Law Journal*, 2016
- Rising Star: Corporate, U.S. Northeast, U.S. South, *Euromoney Legal Media Group's Americas Women in Business Law Awards*, 2015
- Outstanding Healthcare Antitrust Lawyer, *Nightingale's Health Care News*, 2009

Latest thinking and events

- Webinar
 - Antitrust today: Emerging issues affecting the life sciences industry
- Press Releases
 - Hogan Lovells secures final victory in major Philadelphia healthcare merger
- Press Releases
 - Hogan Lovells wins court battle with FTC over major Philadelphia healthcare merger
- Press Releases
 - Hogan Lovells advises Novartis in respiratory cell therapy licensing deal with Mesoblast
- Press Releases
 - Hogan Lovells represents Bausch Health in acquiring option to purchase all ophthalmology assets of Allegro Ophthalmics
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - FTC uses “study authority” to review past non-HSR acquisitions