

Ashley Howlett

Senior Associate
Washington, D.C.

Biography

Ashley Howlett delivers business-minded antitrust advice to help her clients navigate even the most complex investigations and get the deal done.

Ashley's practice focuses on antitrust clearance and analysis of mergers and acquisitions (M&A), particularly those involving multi-jurisdictional investigations and second requests. She also has experience in nonmerger antitrust investigations, litigation, and counseling. Ashley has assisted in representing clients in matters before the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) and Federal Trade Commission (FTC), as well as various U.S. federal courts. During a secondment with Verizon Communications, Ashley served as in-house counsel, advising on various antitrust matters. She co-authored an antitrust compliance treatise published by *Bloomberg Industry Group* as part of the *Corporate Practice* series.

While at Harvard Law School, Ashley served as the managing editor of the *Harvard Journal on Racial and Ethnic Justice*, participated in the Harvard Negotiation and Trial Advocacy Workshops, worked as a student attorney in the Harvard Transactional Law Clinic, and served as an intern at the Fair Labor Division of the Office of the Attorney General of Massachusetts. Prior to law school, Ashley interned at several internationally recognized financial and professional services firms. She also participated in the Sponsors for Educational Opportunity corporate law program.



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Languages

English

Practices

Antitrust and Competition

Industries

Technology and Telecoms
Life Sciences and Health Care

Areas of focus

Merger Control
Agency Investigations
Competition Compliance
Antitrust and Competition Litigation

Before joining the firm, Ashley was an associate in the Washington, D.C. office of a major international law firm.

Representative experience

Represented Aetna Inc. in its attempted US\$37bn acquisition of Humana Inc.*

Represented KSL Capital Partners in its acquisition of several popular ski resorts.

Served as antitrust counsel to Orbital ATK in its heavily scrutinized transaction with Northrop Grumman Corp.

Completed a six-month secondment with Verizon Communications' in-house antitrust team.

*Matter handled prior to joining Hogan Lovells.

Awards and rankings

- Antitrust Law, Ones to Watch, *The Best Lawyers in America*, 2021

Latest thinking and events

- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - Election 2020 Snapshot: Helping our clients make sense of the U.S. election results
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 - Election 2020 Snapshot: Helping our technology and telecom clients make sense of the U.S. election results
- Webinar
 - Antitrust and tech: Key issues explained and explored
- Hogan Lovells Events
 - 2019 Winnik International TMT Forum
- Published Works
 - 2019 Concurrences Antitrust Writing Awards *2019 Concurrences Antitrust Writing Awards*
- Sponsorships and Speaking Engagements
 - The FTC's Challenge of the Sanford Health/Mid Dakota Clinic Transaction

Abuse of Dominance and Restrictive Practices

Education and admissions

Education

J.D., Harvard Law School, 2012

M.B.A., Hampton University, 2008

B.S., Hampton University, summa cum laude, Presidential Scholarship recipient, 2007

Memberships

American Bar Association, Antitrust Section, Compliance & Ethics Committee, Young Lawyer Representative

American Bar Association, Antitrust Section, Women.Connected Committee, Vice Chair

Bar admissions and qualifications

District of Columbia

New York
