
The National Law Journal Recognizes Thomas Mueller as an Antitrust Trailblazer

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The National Law Journal (NLJ) has named [Thomas Mueller](#) to its list of 2017 Antitrust Trailblazers. Those recognized were chosen based on their significant career accomplishments and innovations in the field of antitrust and competition law.

Mueller was highlighted for his cartel defense work. The *NLJ* spotlighted his representation of clients in a number of leading and innovative cases, including the Parcel Tanker Shipping case, in which firm client Odfjell achieved a better result than the leniency applicant, and the Air Cargo case, in which firm client Lufthansa achieved immunity around the world in one of the first truly international enforcement matters. In 2011, Mueller helped secure the first-ever non-prosecution agreement from the US Department of Justice's Antitrust Division on behalf of JPMorgan. The non-prosecution agreement concluded a bid-rigging investigation involving municipal bonds.

In an interview with the *NLJ*, Mueller discussed trends and developments in the industry that will impact antitrust investigations in the future. He told the *NLJ* that technology will complicate enforcers' jobs as companies use email less for sharing information. "The advent of the leniency program with the proliferation of email caused a big rise in enforcement, but going forward, encrypted apps and other technology will make things much tougher for the enforcement community," Mueller said.

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