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Melamed Receives Chambers Award for Excellence

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The 2009 Chambers USA Awards for Excellence, held in New York on June 11, honored outstanding lawyers and law firms across the United States, reflecting both success in key practice areas and achievements over the last 12 months. At this event, WilmerHale partner, A. Douglas Melamed was honored with this prestigious award in the area of Antitrust, highlighting his accomplishments in his legal practice.

Melamed is a partner in, and a former co-chair of, the firm's Antitrust and Competition Practice Group. He has had more than thirty years of experience in all aspects of antitrust practice, and he served in the US Department of Justice from 1996 until as 2001 as Acting Assistant Attorney General for Antitrust and, before that, as Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General.

"We are proud that Doug's talent and expertise have been recognized by *Chambers,*" said Michelle Miller, co-chair of WilmerHale's Antitrust and Competition Practice Group. "This impressive achievement can be attributed to his outstanding intellect and wealth of experience and the excellent service he brings to his clients on a consistent basis."

Melamed has secured clearance for major acquisitions in the merger

clearance process, argued cases in the United States Supreme Court and other appellate courts, litigated in federal and state trial courts and before the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), and counseled numerous firms on a wide range of antitrust matters. He has been centrally involved in the most high profile antitrust matters in recent years. Among others, on behalf of Rambus, he persuaded the US Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit to overturn an FTC decision in a landmark decision that has had a pivotal effect on the FTC's enforcement efforts relating to standard setting, and he represents Intel in ongoing proceedings in the United States involving its competition with AMD.

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