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## Former WilmerHale Partner William Kolasky Receives Lifetime Achievement Award

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Former Partner [Bill Kolasky](#) was honored with the *Global Competition Review's* (GCR) 2013 Lifetime Achievement Award during GCR's third annual awards ceremony on Tuesday, April 9, in Washington DC. The recipient of GCR's Lifetime Achievement Award is chosen for the decades of outstanding contributions they have given to the field of competition law and policy.

"Bill was properly recognized with this Lifetime Achievement Award for the myriad of contributions that he has made to antitrust law, policy, practice and enforcement throughout his career," said WilmerHale Partner [Thomas Mueller](#), co-chair of the [Antitrust and Competition Practice](#). "It is most assuredly well-deserved and a testament to the dedication Bill has demonstrated in his successful years practicing law and serving in the public sector."

The Lifetime Achievement Award was presented to Kolasky by last year's recipient, William Kovacic, a professor at the George Washington University School of Law and a former Chair of the Federal Trade Commission. In presenting the award, Professor Kovacic cited Kolasky's many contributions to antitrust law as a private practitioner, senior

government official, teacher, and author of a large number of highly regarded articles on a wide range of antitrust topics. In particular, Professor Kovacic singled out Kolasky's role in the formation and early development of the International Competition Network, a highly successful network of more than 110 competition authorities worldwide that works to promote greater international cooperation in antitrust enforcement. He also mentioned a series of articles Kolasky has recently published in the ABA Section of Antitrust Law's magazine, *Antitrust*, on the history of the antitrust laws since their enactment in 1890.

In private practice, Kolasky has worked on a number of significant matters. These include several important Supreme Court cases, most notably *Bell Atlantic v. Twombly*. They also include a large number of major merger clearances, most notably the merger of Price Waterhouse and Coopers & Lybrand to form the leading Big Four accounting firm, PricewaterhouseCoopers.