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Hartmut Schneider practices antitrust law primarily before US agencies and courts. He has an extensive background in securing merger clearance for transactions in a diverse range of industries. He also regularly counsels clients on legal issues at the intersection of antitrust and intellectual property law, both in transactions and in litigation. Qualified to practice in the United States and Germany, Mr. Schneider worked in the Antitrust and Competition Department of the firm's Brussels and Berlin offices and has years of hands-on experience working on both sides of the Atlantic.

Professional Activities

Mr. Schneider is the Publications Officer for the American Bar Association's (ABA) Section of Antitrust Law. He previously served as the International Officer (2021-2023), as a member of the Section's Council (2019–2021), as a co-chair of the Section's Intellectual Property Committee (2016–2018) and of the ABA Spring Meeting (2013–2015), as a member of the Section's Long Range Planning and Nominating Committees, and as the Counsel to the Section Chair.

Solutions

Antitrust and Competition

Antitrust Litigation

Intersection of Antitrust and
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Life Sciences

Experience

MERGER REVIEW

- Advising Baker Hughes in the UK CMA review of its acquisition of Altus Intervention (Phase I clearance with remedies).
- Assisting Uber Technologies with the merger review of Uber's acquisition of a majority stake in Cornershop, the grocery delivery platform.
- Advising Danaher Corporation in connection with the global merger review of the \$20 billion acquisition of GE Healthcare's Biopharma business.
- Assisting MKS Instruments in securing global antitrust clearance for its \$1B acquisition of Electro Scientific Industries and previously for its \$980 million acquisition of Newport Corporation.
- Guiding three major Japanese container shipping carriers in the US and EU antitrust reviews of their 1,440,000 TEU joint venture, Ocean Network Express.
- Advising Baker Hughes in connection with the global merger review of the \$32 billion combination with GE Oil & Gas, and previously with regard to Halliburton's proposed \$34.6 billion acquisition of Baker Hughes.
- Advising International Paper Company in obtaining clearance in the United States and other jurisdictions for its \$2.2 billion acquisition of the pulp assets of Weyerhaeuser and previously for its \$4.4B acquisition of Temple-Inland, Inc., and for the \$710 million sale of its Temple-Inland Building Products division to Georgia-Pacific.
- Assisting American Science & Engineering in securing antitrust clearance for its \$269 million sale to OSI Systems.
- Assisting Demandware in securing antitrust clearance for its \$2.8 billion sale to Salesforce.com.
- Assisting leading academic publisher Springer Science Business Media (SSBM) in securing merger control clearance in the United States, the European Commission and several other jurisdictions for the combination of SSBM with the majority of Holtzbrinck-owned Macmillan Science and Education (namely Nature Publishing Group, Palgrave Macmillan and the global businesses of Macmillan Education) in a joint venture with approximately EUR 1.5 billion in annual revenues.
- Assisting Analog Devices in securing antitrust clearance for its \$2.5 billion acquisition of Hittite Microwave.

LITIGATION AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

- Advising clients on licensing-related antitrust claims in several arbitration proceedings.
- Defending Cephalon in "reverse payment" Hatch Waxman patent settlement cases pending in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, including those brought by the Federal Trade Commission, Apotex and a number of purported purchaser classes.
- Advising Ophthotech Corporation in connection with a licensing and commercialization agreement with Novartis Pharmaceuticals focused on the treatment of wet age-related macular degeneration.

- Advising the founders of a patent pool for Blu-ray optical media technology on US antitrust aspects of the pool's formation and assisting in obtaining worldwide antitrust clearances for the establishment of the pool's licensing agent.

Recognition

- Named in the 2018–2023 edition of *Chambers USA Guide* in DC for antitrust law.
- Selected as a top-rated antitrust litigation lawyer in 2016–2024 by Washington DC *Super Lawyers*.
- Recognized in the 2015–2020 editions of Global Competition Review's *Who's Who Legal, The International Who's Who of Competition. Lawyers and Economists*, and named a Thought Leader in the 2020 and 2022 editions.
- Recognized for antitrust in the 2012–2018 editions of *The Legal 500 United States*.
- Listed in the 2014 edition of *Expert Guides* as a leading economist in Washington DC in the area of Competition/Antitrust Law.
- Named to the Lawdragon 500 Leading Litigators in America list.

Credentials

EDUCATION

LLM, University of Michigan
Law School, 2000

Second State Exam, Berlin Court
of Appeals, 1999

Doctorate in Law, University of
Freiburg, 1997

First State Exam, University of
Freiburg, 1996

Licence en droit, University of
Paris X - Nanterre, 1993

ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia

Berlin

LANGUAGES

German

French