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A New Outlook ANTITRUST & COMPETITION IN KEY INDUSTRY SEGMENTS:

Robust Enforcement Activity Ahead by Federal Agencies, Congress, States, U.K., EU

"U.S. Lawmakers introduce sweeping antitrust legislation aimed at Big Tech, the most ambitious update to monopoly laws in decades." The New York Times, 6/11/21

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9:30 a.m. -2:00 p.m. EDT

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25 FACULTY Featuring Authoritative Government Panel from DOJ, FTC, Congress, States, UK, EU and Private Bar Panel of Top Law Firm Partners, Corporate Counsel, Advisors

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Aggressive Enforcement Ahead

Momentum is building for stronger antitrust enforcement across key industry segments in the economy beyond large tech companies including pharmaceutical, health care, financial services, telecomm. At a time of heightened mergers and acquisition activity, legal counsel need to be prepared to deal with issues related to pricing, market power and concentration and concerns about personal data usage, privacy, and other non-pricing components of competition, All aspects of cases need to be reexamined from preparation to presentation to settlement.

A Super Star Faculty

This briefing features a *super-star cast* of front line players in the antitrust and competition field who will examine the current trends and recent developments to give registrants an "inside view" of what to expect in the months and year ahead. They will suggest how to reset your strategies and approach to address the changing landscape. The government panel representing different agencies--DOJ, FTC, Congress, States, EU, UK--will offer perspectives and insights on their priorities and plans.

The program is divided into four segments: mergers, conduct, regulation/legislation, criminal litigation.

Program Topics 9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

MERGERS: Have antitrust enforcers been asleep at the switch, permitting consolidation that has harmed consumers and competition? This session will look at the current state of merger enforcement across a variety of industries, and try to answer some of the pressing questions of the day. Are the current tools that the enforcement agencies have available to them sufficient? Do we need to rethink remedies? Should privacy data issues play a more significant role in how enforcers evaluate mergers? What about ESG?

CONDUCT: Exclusionary conduct, vertical restraints and other unilateral actions of business firms may reduce the intensity of competition, subjecting consumers and other affected parties to higher prices or other anticompetitive effects. Agreements among suppliers may have like consequences. While the public is most focused today on the alleged conduct of large technology firms, these concerns arise in many industries. The Conduct panel will bring together experts in antitrust law and economics to assess and explain when alleged anticompetitive conduct is likely to be illegal or socially harmful, and when instead the accused conduct in fact should be viewed as competitive rather than anticompetitive behavior.

REGULATION/LEGISLATION: As competition and antitrust enforcement and issues have captured political and popular attention, calls for action have evolved beyond seeking more aggressive enforcement of existing laws to proposals for new regulation and legislation. Our panel will consider these new proposed—and enacted—laws, regulations, and rules in the U.S., the U.K., and the E.U., including the justifications for these new, codified approaches to competition law, the scope of authority to proceed by legislation or regulation, and the pros and cons of this new path.

CRIMINAL LITIGATION: In recent years, the Antitrust Division has opened criminal investigations and filed charges in key industry segments including labor markets, health care, and public procurement. Panelists will examine whether recent enforcement in these and other sectors signals broader changes and will offer practical takeaways for practitioners on assessing risk, preventing antitrust crimes, and addressing potential issues when they arise. The panel will also explore the Antitrust Division's approach to evaluating and crediting compliance programs and how its 2019 policy change is playing out in practice.

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