

Joseph G. Krauss

Partner

Washington, D.C.

Biography

Joe Krauss is among the leaders in advising clients on antitrust issues and requirements raised by their M&A transactions. With over 30 years of experience, including one third of it with the U.S. government, Joe brings not only a wealth of knowledge and experience to his role at Hogan Lovells, but vision as well – anticipating and helping clients solve a range of cutting-edge challenges so they can get their deals done quickly and efficiently.

Joe has advised clients on large and small deals, in the U.S., as well as international, and deals in a wide range of industries. He knows that the best way to advocate for your deal is to know your business – how it works and "what makes it tick" – and to know your industry. He brings a practical eye to find the best facts and legal arguments that will get your deal cleared with as minimal interference and delay as possible.

Joe is plugged into antitrust policy-makers through his 11 years at the U.S. Federal Trade Commission, and knows the pulse of how agency staff and management are viewing transactions. He is trusted by the agencies – staff and management know him and know that he is a straight-shooter. Joe is regularly asked to assist or opine on proposed policy changes – he was called on to comment on the 2010 Horizontal Merger Guidelines before they were adopted, and has been asked by the



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Practices

Antitrust and Competition

Industries

Aerospace and Defense
Diversified Industrials
Energy and Natural Resources
Technology and Telecoms
Private Capital

Areas of focus

Competition Compliance
Merger Control

DOJ to serve as divestiture trustee.

Joe is also plugged into international merger enforcement and antitrust policy, and has been invited to speak at numerous conferences around the world and has assisted competition agencies in several countries in their development and enforcement of antitrust law and policy. Joe is a nongovernmental advisor to the Mergers Working Group of the International Competition Network (ICN).

Representative experience

Advised Alstom SA with respect to competition issues raised by its US\$ 14bn merger with General Electric.

Advised Orbital Sciences in its US\$4bn merger with ATK.

Counsel to HarperCollins Publishing in its acquisitions of Harlequin Publishing and Thomas Nelson Publishing.

Counsel to S1 Corporation in its merger with ACI Worldwide, Inc.

Counsel to General Dynamics Corporation in multiple defense industry acquisitions and investigations.

Counsel to Anschutz Entertainment Group in the DOJ investigation of the merger of Ticketmaster and LiveNation.

Counsel to Laboratory Corporation of America in numerous acquisitions, including those of Westcliff Laboratories, and Orchid Cellmark, Inc.

Airbus Group in its joint venture with OneWeb.

Awards and rankings

- Antitrust (District of Columbia), *Chambers USA*, 2012-2020
- Antitrust: Merger Control, *Legal 500 US*, 2012-2013, 2016, 2018-2020

Oil and Gas: Pipelines and Midstream Facilities

Oil and Gas: Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG)

Oil and Gas: Refinery and Petrochemical Projects

Power: Thermal Power

Nuclear Power

Power: Renewable Power

Power: Transmission, Storage, Sales, and Trading

Hospitals and Health Care Providers

Medical Devices

Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology

Agency Investigations

Abuse of Dominance and Restrictive Practices

Education and admissions

Education

J.D., Widener University Delaware Law School, 1983

B.S., University of Delaware, 1978

Memberships

Chair, Mergers & Acquisitions Committee, Antitrust Law Section, American Bar Association, 2001-2005

Council Member, Antitrust Law Section, American Bar Association, 2005-2008

- Antitrust Law, *The Best Lawyers in America*, 2010-2017
- Guide to the World's Leading Competition and Antitrust Lawyers, *Legal Media Group*, 2012-2014
- Recommended Competition Lawyer, *PLC Competition Law*, 2012
- Antitrust Litigation, *Washington, D.C. Super Lawyers*, 2012-2013
- The International Who's Who of Competition Lawyers and Economists, *Who's Who Legal*, 2012-2013

Latest thinking and events

- Press Releases
 - Hogan Lovells advises Soliton in US\$550 million acquisition by AbbVie's Allergan Aesthetics
- Insights
 - FTC imposes US\$3.5 million penalty for violation of antitrust consent order
- Press Releases
 - Hogan Lovells advises pipeline integrity specialist NDT Global Limited on the sale of NDT Global Group to Canadian Eddyfi NDT Inc.
- Media Mention
 - The Capitol Forum *The Capitol Forum*
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - Global enforcement trends and priorities: An update from the 2019 ABA Spring Meeting *Antitrust and Competition Alert*
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - New HSR and interlocking directorate thresholds announced for 2018 *Antitrust and Competition Alert*

Member, Committee on Resolution and Impact Review, ABA House of Delegates, 2010-2012

Nongovernmental Advisor, Mergers Working Group of the International Competition Network

Section Delegate, Antitrust Law Section, American Bar Association, 2008-2012

Bar admissions and qualifications

District of Columbia

Pennsylvania (inactive)

Delaware (inactive)

Court admissions

U.S. Supreme Court

Accolades

"[A] really, really sharp lawyer."

Chambers 2014

"[F]ocused and dedicated."

Who's Who Legal 100 2013
