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Partner

Richard Ripley is a Partner in Howrey's Washington DC office. Mr. Ripley practices complex civil litigation with a focus on antitrust/competition law. He has over 22 years of experience representing companies in a variety of antitrust contexts, with particular emphasis on vertical conduct, in the technology, automotive, chemical, building, petroleum, mass media and medical device industries. He has tried antitrust claims brought by federal and state regulators, private plaintiffs and the class action bar. He also has handled numerous antitrust grand jury and government conduct investigations.

Mr. Ripley serves as the firm's Hiring Partner and was one of the founding partners of the firm's groundbreaking summer program, Howrey Bootcamp™.

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ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia
Pennsylvania

EDUCATION

George Washington University
(JD, 1986), *with honors*

Ohio State University (BA, 1983),
cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- *In re Cathode Ray Tubes Antitrust Litigation.* Representing manufacturer of cathode ray tubes in defense of national direct and indirect purchaser class actions alleging price fixing conspiracies in violation of federal and state antitrust laws.
- *Arminak & Associates, Inc. v. MeadWestvaco Calmar, Inc.* Representing global manufacturer of trigger sprayers accused of violating federal and state antitrust laws through alleged exclusive dealing contracts and below cost pricing.
- *In re Organic Peroxide Antitrust Litigation.* Represented manufacturer of organic peroxide in defense of national direct and indirect purchaser class actions alleging price fixing conspiracies in violation of federal and state antitrust laws.
- *In re Intel Microprocessors Antitrust Litigation.* Represents leading manufacturer of microprocessors in over 80 class actions in United States District Court, District of Delaware, alleging that client's marketing and sales practices violate federal and state antitrust laws.
- *Cumberland Truck Equipment Co., et al. v. Detroit Diesel Corp. et al.* Represented manufacturer of heavy truck engines in class actions alleging that client conspired with its distributors in violation of Section 1 of the Sherman Act.
- *Columbus Drywall & Insulation, Inc., et al. v. Masco Corp. et al.* Represented leading supplier of installed insulation services in class action alleging that client conspired with insulation manufacturers in violation of Section 1 of the Sherman Act.

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- *United States v. Dentsply International Inc.* Won a trial verdict in a case brought by the Department of Justice's Antitrust Division alleging that a client's exclusive dealer policy violated Section 1 and Section 2 of the Sherman Act.
- *In re Disposable Contact Lenses Antitrust Litigation.* Defended Johnson & Johnson at trial against complaint brought by a national consumer class and 32 state Attorneys General alleging that the client's selective distribution policy regarding its sale of contact lenses violated Section 1 of the Sherman Act. Defeated three separate state class actions bringing similar claims.
- *Alvord-Polk, Inc. et al. v. F.C. Schumacher Co.* Tried to a hung jury, a Sherman Act group boycott claim challenging a client's selective distribution system.
- *Southern Marine Supply v. Benrock, Inc, et al.* Represented dominant supplier of marine engine parts and accessories in defense of a group boycott claim brought under sections 1 and 2 of the Sherman Act.

COURTS & ADJUDICATIVE BODIES

- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan
- United States District Court for the District of New Jersey
- United States District Court for the District of Columbia
- United States District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania
- United States Supreme Court

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Member, American Bar Association, Section on Antitrust

PRO BONO

- Represented Equal Rights Center in an ADA claim against Potbelly's Sandwich Works; the settlement garnered an Outstanding Achievement Award by the Washington Lawyers' Committee in 2008.
- *Community for Creative Non-Violence v. Unknown Agents of United States Marshals Service.* Obtained a permanent injunction against the US Marshals Service on behalf of a homeless shelter as a result of the government's Fourth Amendment violations.
- *Feaster v. United States.* Tried and obtained a judgment of acquittal

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on assault with a deadly weapon charge against an HIV-positive defendant. Later won a reversal of trial verdict.

- Recognized by the US District Court for the District of Columbia for work on the Court's *Pro Se Pro Bono* Program.
- Acted as General Counsel to the largest homeless shelter in DC.

PUBLICATIONS & SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

ARTICLES

"*In re Hydrogen Peroxide Antitrust Litigation* Bleaches Clean the Class Certification Standard." *The Antitrust Source* (February 2009). Co-authored with Mark Glueck.

SPEECHES

"Wage-Fixing in the Healthcare Industry." DC Bar Brown Bag Lunch Series (June 2007). Panelist.

"Exclusive Dealing After *LePages* and *Dentsply*." ABA Antitrust Spring Meeting (2007). Panelist.