

Julie Brill was sworn in as a Commissioner of the Federal Trade Commission April 6, 2010, to a term that expires on September 25, 2016.

Prior to becoming a Commissioner, Ms. Brill was the Senior Deputy Attorney General and Chief of Consumer Protection and Antitrust for the North Carolina Department of Justice, a position she held from February 2009 to April 2010. Commissioner Brill has also been a Lecturer-in-Law at Columbia University's School of Law. Before serving as Chief of Consumer Protection and Antitrust in North Carolina, Commissioner Brill served as an Assistant Attorney General for Consumer Protection and Antitrust for the State of Vermont for over 20 years, from 1988 to 2009. Commissioner Brill was associate at Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison in New York from 1987 to 1988. She clerked for Vermont Federal District Court Judge Franklin S. Billings, Jr. from 1985 to 1986. Commissioner Brill graduated, *magna cum laude*, from Princeton University, and from New York University School of Law, where she had a Root-Tilden Scholarship for her commitment to public service.

Since joining the Commission, Ms. Brill has been working actively on issues most affecting today's consumers, including protecting consumers' privacy, encouraging appropriate advertising substantiation, guarding consumers from financial fraud, and maintaining competition in industries involving high tech and health care. Commissioner Brill is an advocate of protecting consumers' privacy, especially with new online and mobile technologies, and supports the creation and implementation of mechanisms to give consumers better information and control over the collection and use of their personal online information, a view she has disseminated through many speeches. Her recent publications in Competition Policy International and Antitrust Source call on industry and policymakers to work towards improving privacy through considerations rooted in both consumer protection and competition concerns.

Commissioner Brill also has focused on the need to improve consumer protection in the financial services arena. She has issued several concurring statements advocating for strong enforcement with respect to credit reporting and given numerous speeches that call for increased cooperation among the FTC, the new CFPB, and the States as they implement the provisions of the 2010 Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act.

On behalf of the Commission, Ms. Brill has testified before Congress about issues relating to privacy, and also about frauds targeting consumers caught up in the economic downturn.

Commissioner Brill continues to advocate for vigilant antitrust enforcement, especially in the health care industry, calling for such enforcement in her dissenting statement in the Commission's decision to withdraw its appeal in *FTC v. LabCorp* and in her concurring statement supporting the complaint and consent maintaining assets in the Grifols/Talecris plasma protein industry acquisition.

Prior to joining the Commission, Ms. Brill received several national awards for her work protecting consumers, including the National Association of Attorneys General Marvin Award for her "outstanding leadership, expertise, and achievement in advancing the goals of the association," Privacy International's Brandeis Award for her work on state and federal privacy issues, and the National Association of Attorneys General's Privacy Award. Commissioner Brill

also served as a Vice-Chair of the Consumer Protection Committee of the Antitrust Section of the American Bar Association and Chair of the National Association of Attorneys General Privacy Working Group. In addition, Commissioner Brill testified before Congress on the Fair Credit Reporting Act, as well as other topics including financial institutions, consumer credit, and affiliate sharing practices.

While she was an Assistant Attorney General, Commissioner Brill published numerous articles on important consumer protection issues, including the costs and benefits of prescription drugs in the American health care system, state fair credit reporting laws, and consumer protection issues relating to tobacco retailing. She also served on many national expert panels focused on consumer protection issues such as pharmaceuticals, privacy, credit reporting, data security breaches, and tobacco.