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OVERVIEW

Scott is Co-Chair of the firm's Antitrust practice group. Scott's perspective is a unique one, as prior to joining the firm in 2015, he played major roles in defending antitrust and class action cases as a partner in two leading international law firms. Over the course of more than 25 years, he also has negotiated resolutions of numerous regulatory investigations and actions on behalf of corporate clients. Scott's practice extends to bench and jury trials in both federal and state courts, complex federal multidistrict actions, class actions involving direct and indirect purchasers, parens patriae cases, FTC and DOJ investigations as well as other regulatory actions, and qui tam litigation.

Clients

Scott has two decades of counseling experience across a broad range of industries on pricing, distribution, competitive intelligence, joint ventures, and non-compete agreements, among other competition issues, and has designed antitrust compliance programs for some of the world's largest corporations.

EDUCATION

Stanford Law School, J.D., 1990

Stanford University, A.B., with honors, 1987

BAR ADMISSIONS

New York

District of Columbia (inactive)

Supreme Court of the United States

Numerous Federal District and Circuit Courts

AFFILIATIONS

American Bar Association, Antitrust Law Section, Programs Officer (2021-22)

- Previous positions include: Secretary and Communications Officer, Council member, Chair of Trial Practice Committee, Chair of Civil RICO Committee, Chair of Global Private Litigation Conference, and Editorial Board of Antitrust Law Developments

American Bar Foundation, Fellow

Law360, Editorial Board (Competition) (2012-2018)

New York State Bar Association, Antitrust Section, Executive Committee

WHEDco, Chair of Board of Directors (leading Bronx non-profit housing, educational and community development organization)

WHAT OTHERS SAY

American Antitrust Institute

- Outstanding Antitrust Litigation Achievement in Private Law Practice, an honor he received as part of the *In re Blue Cross Blue Shield Antitrust Litigation* case team in 2021

Best Lawyers

- Best Lawyer since 2012
 - Antitrust Law
 - Litigation - Antitrust

A past client commented, "I was extremely impressed with his knowledge and attentiveness as well as his ability to truly enjoy servicing his client in a productive and cost-effective manner."

Chambers

- Band 1, Antitrust: Mainly Plaintiff, New York since 2015
- Leading Lawyer since 2006

Sources reported, "He's an expert in antitrust and how it's applied from a commercial perspective. He's an incredible partner." "He has a great reputation and is very collegial." "He is a very good plaintiffs' lawyer." (Chambers US, Antitrust: Mainly Plaintiff, New York, 2021)

"Co-chair of the antitrust group, Scott Martin lends plaintiff clients his cutting-edge expertise in antitrust litigation honed over years of defense-side representation. He regularly appears in state and federal jury and bench trials in the most complex of matters." (Chambers US, Antitrust: Mainly Plaintiff, New York, 2020)

Global Competition Review

- Litigation of the Year - Cartel Prosecution in 2021: an honor he received as part of the *In re Blue Cross Blue Shield Antitrust Litigation* case team.

Lawdragon

- 500 Leading Litigators in America in 2025
- 500 Leading Plaintiff Financial Lawyers since 2019
- 500 Leading Lawyers in America in 2021

Legal 500

- Recommended Lawyer, Antitrust - Civil Litigation/Class Actions: Plaintiff since 2015

"Scott Martin is a powerhouse," (Legal 500 US, Antitrust - Civil Litigation/Class Actions: Plaintiff, 2024)

"Scott Martin is an all-star lawyer," (Legal 500 US, Antitrust - Civil Litigation/Class Actions: Plaintiff, 2023)

Sources have stated that Scott is "friendly, engaging, and spot-on," that "he is extremely polished, an expert in the field and a pleasure to work with," and that "Melinda Coolidge and Scott Martin go above and beyond at all hours to provide the best level of customer service. They are always there with an explanation." (Legal 500 US, Antitrust - Civil Litigation/Class Actions: Plaintiff, 2020)

Super Lawyers

- Super Lawyer, Antitrust Litigation in New York since 2006

Other

- Outstanding Antitrust Litigation Achievement in Private Law Practice: an honor he received by the American Antitrust Institute in 2016 for *In re Air Cargo Antitrust Litigation*.
- International Who's Who of Competition Lawyers and Economists, Lawdragon, International Who's Who of Business Lawyers, and others often reflect recognition of Scott's work by his peers.

Clients, colleagues, and adversaries have referred to Scott in print variously as a "terrifically talented and surefooted litigator" and "an astute operator who always adds value to proceedings" while also serving as a "business-oriented lawyer who looks to see what the overall issues are and determines how best to approach the representation of those interests, including common sense approaches to exit strategies where feasible."

EXPERIENCE

Antitrust/Competition

- *In Re: VISA Debit Card Antitrust Litigation* - Hausfeld represents merchants in an antitrust class action lawsuit against Visa, Inc., alleging monopolization of the United States debit transactions market.
- *In re NFL's Sunday Ticket Antitrust Litigation* - Scott served as co-lead counsel on behalf of residential and commercial subscriber plaintiffs alleging that the National Football League ("NFL") and its teams violated the antitrust laws through media-rights agreements that suppressed the output of, and raised the price for, out-of-market game telecasts. At the conclusion of a four-week trial, the jury returned a verdict for the plaintiffs and awarded \$4.7 billion in damages.
- *In re Libor-Based Financial Instruments Antitrust Litigation* - Class action lawsuit alleging a global conspiracy by some of the world's largest financial institutions to manipulate LIBOR. The manipulation of LIBOR, which is the primary benchmark for short-term interest rates for trillions of dollars-worth of financial transactions worldwide, is alleged to have caused billions of dollars in damage to municipalities, businesses, and investors.
- *In re Blue Cross Blue Shield Antitrust Litigation* - In one of the largest and most complex antitrust class action cases ever litigated, Scott represented tens of millions of subscriber plaintiffs alleging higher premiums and loss of competition in the market for health insurance due to a conspiracy among 36 insurer defendants to allocate geographic territories. In November 2020, the Court granted preliminary approval to the proposed settlement agreement resolving the claims of Blue Cross Blue Shield subscribers for \$2.67 billion. The settlement was unanimously affirmed by the Eleventh Circuit, and in June 2024, the U.S. Supreme Court declined any further review, paving the way for the distribution of billions of dollars to subscribers nationwide, along with systemic changes to BCBS practices that will create opportunities for more competition.
- *In re: Concrete and Cement Additives Antitrust Litigation* - Representing a class of direct purchasers of concrete and cement admixtures in a price fixing conspiracy MDL between the world's largest manufacturers of concrete, cement, and mortar admixtures.
- Past plaintiff (and defense) client matters available upon request.
- Scott regularly presents compliance talks to businesspersons at industry-leading apparel, industrial, retailing, and distribution clients, and has represented Fortune 100 companies before federal and state competition authorities.

Environmental & Product Liability

- *SCWA v. Dow, et al. and SCWA v. 3M Company, et al.* - Scott is currently representing the largest municipal groundwater provider in the United States for recovery in various water contamination matters.