

# ANTITRUST, TRADE REGULATION & ANTICORRUPTION

Hodgson Russ's multidisciplinary team of experienced attorneys working in the very active fields of antitrust, trade regulation, and anticorruption advises clients in a range of industries, including retail, metal, manufacturing, chemical, health care, and medical device.

## ANTITRUST

Our antitrust team is comprised of both corporate attorneys, who are experienced in counseling companies in distribution, joint ventures, other business arrangements, and compliance activities, and seasoned trial attorneys, including former prosecutors, who handle matters that can result in serious criminal and civil investigations and litigation for companies and individuals.

We have extensive experience in the following areas:

- Antitrust compliance and training programs
- Criminal antitrust investigations
- Criminal prosecutions of corporations and individuals
- Multinational cartel investigations
- Pricing fixing and market allocation
- Civil class actions

- Pricing, price discrimination, and other Robinson-Patman Act issues
- Refusals to deal
- Exclusive dealing
- Mergers and acquisitions
- Hart-Scott-Rodino filings and second requests
- Most-favored-nation contracts
- Monopolization and attempted monopolization

Hodgson Russ has been awarded a prestigious "Best Law Firms" Metropolitan Tier 2 ranking by *Best Lawyers/U.S. News & World Report* in the Antitrust Law category.

## TRADE REGULATION

Hodgson Russ has a highly experienced, interdisciplinary team of trade regulation attorneys who provide U.S. and foreign-based businesses with a comprehensive array of U.S. legal assistance in the complex arenas of domestic and international trade.

Hodgson Russ's antitrust team is comprised of corporate attorneys and seasoned trial attorneys, including former prosecutors, who handle matters that can result in serious criminal and civil investigations and litigation for companies and individuals.



Our attorneys help clients overcome regulatory barriers impeding trade and are involved in lobbying to influence negotiations related to new trade policies and international rules and treaties.



Hodgson Russ has extensive experience counseling companies with respect to the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and other international anticorruption laws.

We provide counseling, litigation, agency representation, and arbitration services for Fortune 500 companies, start-up entities, trade associations, national and regional governments, and numerous businesses across a range of industries. Our trade regulation team advises on the U.S. legal implications of the application and implementation of U.S. and international laws, rules, and treaties, and we counsel and represent clients in disputes relative to any violations of those laws. Our practice incorporates the skill and experience of attorneys in the areas of antitrust, corporate, intellectual property, international and cross-border, and federal and international tax law.

Hodgson Russ attorneys possess substantial experience in World Trade Organization (WTO) rules, the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), and bilateral investment treaties (BITs) and with domestic and international agencies, including the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), the FTC's Bureau of Competition, the Department of Commerce (DOC), the Department of Justice (DOJ), and the offices of state attorneys general throughout the United States as well as the International Trade Commission (ITC) and other major international agencies.

Our attorneys are sensitive to events occurring globally that may affect the business interests of our clients. We regularly monitor developments at the WTO, the FTC, and other agencies as well as matters of U.S. and international diplomacy playing out on the world stage. Many of our attorneys have studied or worked outside of the United States and possess facility in languages that include Japanese, Chinese, Mandarin, French, Spanish, and others.

Hodgson Russ is a member of the United States Law Firm Group, a network of 18 independent law firms across the country, with attorneys in 17 states and seven foreign countries.

Hodgson Russ assists businesses with the interpretation and application of U.S. and international law as it may affect the flow of trade, including:

- Export controls, embargoes, and economic sanctions
- Import relief actions, such as antidumping, countervailing duties, and safeguards
- Customs classifications, valuation, and rules of origin matters
- Representation before the ITC and DOC in disputes, protests, and petitions for review in matters related to dumping, countervailing, and safeguards
- Representation before U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) in customs classifications, valuation, and rules of origin issues
- Assistance in securing licenses for 'dual use' military or commercial goods
- Representation before the Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control





□ Counseling regarding privacy concerns and representation in privacy challenges across jurisdictions in the United States and internationally

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## FCPA AND ANTICORRUPTION

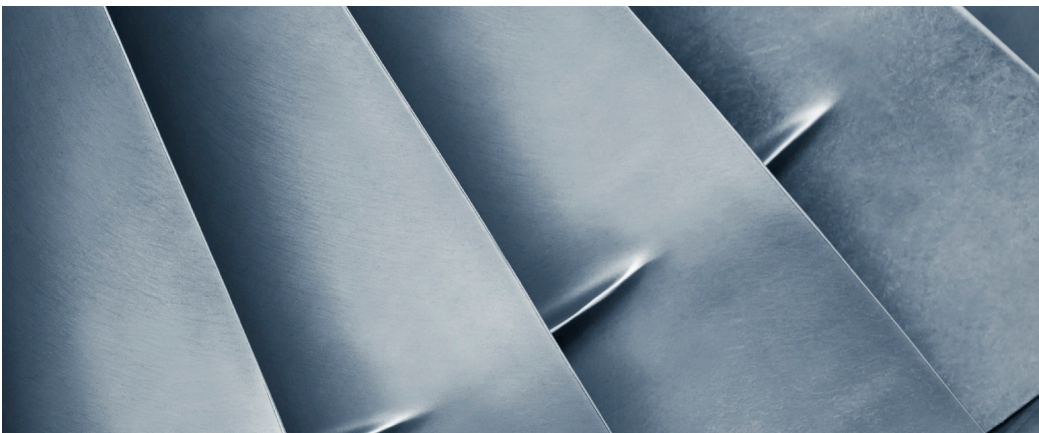
Hodgson Russ has extensive experience counseling companies with respect to the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA) and other international anticorruption laws. Our practice provides representation across a broad range of corporate, governmental, transactional, and administrative matters, including the following:

□ Developing and implementing anticorruption compliance programs for global companies, including drafting compliance policies; conducting training programs for all levels of employees, officers, and directors; and providing risk assessment and advice regarding best practices

□ Counseling clients on FCPA and other anticorruption due diligence in the mergers and acquisition context for foreign acquisitions

□ Advising clients on anticorruption compliance issues that may arise from international sales and marketing activities, including assisting in the development of agreements for joint ventures, agents, consultants, and other third-party intermediaries

□ Conducting internal investigations to uncover potential or suspected FCPA violations



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