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Jake Walker is an associate in the Antitrust and Competition Practice Group in the firm's Washington, D.C. office.

### Areas of Practice

Jake's practice focuses on antitrust and competition matters involving civil and criminal government investigations, complex antitrust litigation, and merger review. Jake also has experience representing companies facing government investigations involving fraud and litigating claims arising under the Lanham Act.

Jake is also committed to his pro bono practice, where he has represented NGOs on environmental issues including endangered species protection under the ESA, as well as securing rental assistance for individuals.

During law school, Jake served as a Judicial Intern for the Hon. Richard M. Berman of the US District Court for the Southern District of New York. He also worked as a Judicial Extern for the Hon. Anne F. Reed of the 25<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit of Virginia.

## Honors

Recommended Lawyer in Antitrust - Civil Litigation/Class Actions: Defense, *Legal 500 US*, 2025

## Articles

- Antitrust Consent Decree Negotiation Checklist  
*Lexis Nexis*, 11.02.2023
- The US FTC secures an innovative structural relief to prohibit interlocking directorates and preserve competition in the natural gas market (Quantum Energy Partners / EQT Corporation)  
*Conurrences*, 09.01.2023
- The US FTC issues a Civil Investigation Demand to an artificial intelligence company following an investigation into the use of AI technology and its potential to promote unfair methods of competition (OpenAI Chat GPT)  
*Conurrences*, 09.01.2023

### AI Law and Policy Blog Posts

- "AI Enforcement Update: FTC Authorizes Compulsory Process for AI Investigations," December 8, 2023

## Antitrust Law Blog Posts

- "DOJ and FTC Issue Antitrust Guidelines for Business Activities Affecting Workers," February 11, 2025
- "The Sequel?: Predicting Antitrust Enforcement in a New Trump Administration," September 23, 2024
- "Election 2024 Coverage: Examining the Future of Healthcare and Antitrust," September 3, 2024
- "FTC Votes to Ban Noncompete Agreements," April 24, 2024
- "The FTC Hosts Workshop on Private Equity in Health Care," March 6, 2024
- "The Wait is Over: DOJ and FTC Issue Final Merger Guidelines," December 20, 2023
- "Antitrust Enforcement Agencies Continue to Target Interlocking Directorate Arrangements," August 23, 2023
- "AI Under the Antitrust Microscope: Competition Enforcers Focusing on Generative AI from All Angles," August 9, 2023
- "FTC Modifies Role of Administrative Judges Amid Heightened Agency Scrutiny," June 13, 2023
- "DOJ Antitrust Division Cautions SEC on Proposed Equity Market Restructuring," May 5, 2023
- "Restrictive Covenants in Real Estate: Next Antitrust Enforcement Target?," May 2, 2023
- "No More Games: Activision Settles with DOJ Over Esports Compensation," April 5, 2023
- "FTC Seeks to Block Deal Between Top Mortgage Loan Technology Providers," March 16, 2023
- "FTC Seeks to Ban Noncompete Agreements in Employment Contracts," January 6, 2023

## Practices

Antitrust and Competition

Governmental

Healthcare Antitrust

Private Civil Antitrust Litigation

## Industries

Artificial Intelligence

## Education

J.D., Washington and Lee University, 2022, Lead Online Editor, *Washington and Lee Law Review*, Burks Scholar, *Washington and Lee Law Library*

B.A., University of Alabama, 2018, *magna cum laude*

## Admissions

District of Columbia

Maryland