

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE
NASHVILLE DIVISION**

**IN RE: REALPAGE, INC., RENTAL
SOFTWARE ANTITRUST LITIGATION
(NO. II)**

**Case No. 3:23-md-3071
MDL No. 3071**

Hon. Waverly D. Crenshaw, Jr.

**This Document Relates to:
ALL CASES**

**DECLARATION OF SWATHI BOJEDLA
IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS' MOTION
FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES,
REIMBURSEMENT OF LITIGATION EXPENSES,
AND SERVICE AWARDS FOR NAMED PLAINTIFFS
FILED ON BEHALF OF HAUSFELD LLP**

I, Swathi Bojedla, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, declare that the following is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. I am a partner at the law firm of Hausfeld LLP (the "Firm"). I submit this declaration in support of Plaintiffs' Motion for Attorneys' Fees, Reimbursement of Litigation Expenses, and Service Awards for Named Plaintiffs (the "Motion"). I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth herein and, if called upon, could and would testify thereto.

2. The Court appointed myself, Patrick Coughlin of Scott+Scott Attorneys at Law, LLP and Stacey Slaughter of Robins Kaplan LLP as Interim Co-Lead Counsel ("Co-Lead Counsel") and Tricia Herzfeld of Herzfeld, Suetholz, Gastel, Leniski and Wall, PLLC, as Liaison Counsel to manage and prosecute this litigation. Dkt. 278, 1068. The Court also appointed a Plaintiffs' Steering Committee ("PSC") to help prosecute this litigation. *Id.*; *see also* Dkts. 703, 705.

3. Collectively, Interim Co-Lead Counsel, Liaison Counsel, and the PSC (“Plaintiffs’ Counsel”) have vigorously and efficiently prosecuted this novel and highly complex antitrust case against more than 50 Defendants for almost four years.

ABOUT HAUSFELD LLP

1. Hausfeld is widely recognized as one of the nation’s preeminent antitrust class action firms. By example, just within the last year: Chambers and Partners once again named Hausfeld to its highest tier, Band 1, for “Antitrust: Plaintiff – USA – Nationwide,” one of just four law firms ranked in Band 1; for the 16th consecutive year, Hausfeld was ranked in the top tier nationally for firms in antitrust civil litigation and class actions by *The Legal 500*; again, and since 2016, *U.S. News & World Report – Best Law Firms* has named Hausfeld to its top tier in both Antitrust Law and Litigation, and among its top tiers in Commercial Litigation; Hausfeld and its co-counsel once again received the American Antitrust Institute’s award for ‘Outstanding Antitrust Litigation Achievement in Private Law Practice’ for collective work on behalf of our clients in *In re Broiler Chicken Grower Antitrust Litigation*; and, for a seventh consecutive year, Hausfeld was recognized as one of the leading claimant firms for recovery in antitrust litigation in the US in the *2025 Antitrust Annual Report* published by the Center for Litigation and Courts | UC Law SF and The Huntington National Bank.

2. Over the last decade, Hausfeld attorneys have been appointed to more than 30 leadership roles in major antitrust actions (and to more than 100 leadership roles in major class actions), achieving landmark trial victories, negotiating complex multi-defendant settlements, and securing billions of dollars in recoveries for clients across industries. The Firm has been involved in some of the most challenging and complex antitrust cases in the country, winning landmark trials, achieving precedent-setting legal victories, and recovering billions of dollars on behalf of

classes they represent. The Firm has handled highly complex cases with dozens of defendants as evidenced not only by this case but beyond (*e.g.*, *In re Blue Cross Blue Shield Antitrust Litig.* (M.D. Ala.), *In re National Football League’s “Sunday Ticket” Antitrust Litig.* (C.D. Cal.)); has negotiated billion dollar and nine-figure settlements (*e.g.*, *In re Blue Cross Blue Shield Antitrust Litig.* (\$2.67 billion), *In re Foreign Exchange Antitrust Litig.* (S.D.N.Y., \$2.3 billion), *In re Air Cargo Shipping Services Antitrust Litig.* (E.D.N.Y., \$1.2 billion), *In re Vitamins Antitrust Litig.* (D.D.C., \$1.1 billion); and *In re LIBOR-Based Financial Instruments Antitrust Litig.* (S.D.N.Y., \$781 million); and can claim significant trial victories in various courts across the country including *In re National Football League’s “Sunday Ticket” Antitrust Litig.* (C.D. Cal., \$4.7 billion) and the landmark *O’Bannon v. NCAA*, (N.D. Cal.) (representing college athletes suing the NCAA for name, image, and likeness violations resulting significant injunctive relief).

3. Over the course of this litigation, 42 timekeepers from Hausfeld—partners, associates, staff attorneys,¹ senior counsel, and paralegals—have worked on the matter. At times this case required an “all hands on-deck” level of intensity, during which times the Firm devoted more attorneys and other timekeepers to the matter. Nevertheless, I paid considerable attention to ensuring that each Hausfeld attorney on the file had specific areas of focus; that there was not duplication of efforts, especially among higher billers; and that projects were assigned to experienced lawyers with depth in the field who could effectively and efficiently execute the extraordinary amount of work the case demanded. The core team of attorneys currently at Hausfeld that have contributed to this case consists of the following:

¹ Hausfeld’s staff attorneys are attorney employees who principally, but not exclusively, handle document review for the Firm. In this case, most of the the Firm’s staff attorneys also worked on special discovery projects as well as deposition preparation.

4. *Swathi Bojedla, Partner.* As a partner in the Washington, D.C. office, I have worked on some of the highest-profile and significant class action antitrust cases in recent years, including *In re Blue Cross Blue Shield Antitrust Litigation* (securing \$2.67 billion in settlement and broad injunctive relief to increase opportunities for competition in the healthcare industry) and *O'Bannon v. National Collegiate Athletic Association* (winning a three-week antitrust trial and securing injunctive relief allowing college athletes to receive payments for likeness rights). My practice has spanned a wide range of practice areas, including technology and data breach, environmental and product liability, and sports and entertainment; in the area of antitrust, I have represented both individual and class clients in the health insurance, transportation, and financial services sectors. I have been recognized by a variety publications and institutions for my work, including by the American Antitrust Institute, Benchmark Litigation, Best Lawyers, Chambers and Partners, Global Competition Review, Lawdragon, Litigation Counsel of America, and SuperLawyers.

5. *Gary I. Smith, Jr., Partner.* A partner in the San Francisco office, Mr. Smith has successfully litigated cases involving monopolistic and cartel activity in a wide range of industries throughout the country. Significant victories include *In re LIBOR-Based Financial Instruments Antitrust Litig.* (resulting in \$781 million in settlements with banks alleged to have suppressed the U.S. Dollar LIBOR rate); *In re Broiler Chicken Grower Antitrust Litig.* (E.D. Okla., obtaining \$169 million in settlements for farmers whose pay was allegedly suppressed by over 20 of the country's largest poultry producers); and *In re Transpacific Passenger Air Transp. Antitrust Litig.* (N.D. Cal., settling claims against thirteen airlines alleged to have conspired to fix the prices of air fares and fuel surcharges on the eve of trial for \$147 million). A prolific author, Mr. Smith also

has been recognized in many of the same publications as Ms. Bojedla, as well as Law360 and The Legal Intelligencer.

6. *Mindee J. Reuben, Partner.* A partner in the Philadelphia office, Ms. Reuben frequently serves in leadership positions and has had other significant roles in high-profile antitrust and consumer class action litigation. Exemplars include: *In re: Generic Pharmaceutical Pricing Antitrust Litigation* (E.D. Pa., ongoing litigation against generic drug manufacturers accused of fixing the price of over 100 generic drugs, with current settlements of \$533 million); *In re Processed Egg Products Antitrust Litig.* (E.D. Pa., settling claims against egg producers alleged to have inflated the price of eggs through supply manipulation for \$135 million); *In re Broiler Chicken Antitrust Litigation* (N.D. Ill., settling claims against broiler chicken producers alleged to have manipulated the price of broiler chickens for \$284 million); and *In re Polyurethane Foam Antitrust Litigation* (N.D. Ohio, settling claims against polyurethane foam manufacturers alleged to have fixed prices of foam for \$147 million). Ms. Reuben was also part of the trial teams in *In re Processed Egg Products Antitrust Litig.* and *In re Broiler Chicken Antitrust Litigation*. Ms. Reuben has been recognized in Best Lawyers, Chambers and Partners, Philadelphia Magazine, and Super Lawyers for her work.

7. *Mary Brown, Associate.* Ms. Brown is an associate in our New York office. A recent addition to Hausfeld, Ms. Brown previously worked as an associate at another plaintiff-side law firm, representing clients in complex antitrust matters. A graduate of Harvard Law School, Ms. Brown served as a Law Clerk to the Honorable Pamela Harris of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, and previously worked with the ACLU and the NAACP Legal Defense Fund. At Hausfeld, in addition to *RealPage*, Ms. Brown is presently working on two other

antitrust/competition matters in addition to *RealPage*, i.e., *In re Automatic Card Shufflers Litig.* (N.D. Ill.) and *Phhhoto, Inc. v. Meta Platforms, Inc.* (F/K/A Facebook, Inc.) (E.D.N.Y.).

8. *Samuel Maida, Associate.* An associate in our San Francisco office, Mr. Maida has been involved in litigating cases alleging anticompetitive monopolization, conspiracies to restrain trade and monopolize, and tying and exclusive dealing arrangements. He is actively involved in a number of antitrust/competition cases, including *In re Apple App Developer Antitrust Litig.* (N.D. Cal.) and *Korean Publishers Assoc. v. Google LLC* (N.D. Cal.). A graduate of the University of California, Irvine School of Law, Mr. Maida externed at the Federal Trade Commission, Bureau of Competition, and the Superior Court of Santa Barbara with the Honorable Brian Hill.

9. *Mandy Boltax, Associate.* An associate in our Washington, D.C. office, Ms. Boltax works across several areas, including antitrust/competition, human rights, and technology and data breach, Ms. Boltax earned her J.D. from Duke University School of Law, where she was an academic writer and legal historical researcher, as well as externed as a judicial law clerk at the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia with the Honorable Royce C. Lamberth. Before law school, Ms. Boltax worked as a software engineer and brought her expertise to the *RealPage* team.

10. *Shayla Harris, Associate.* As associate in our New York office, Ms. Harris received her undergraduate degree as well as M.A. and J.D. from the University of Chicago. Previously a Strategy Consultant with Accenture collaborating with both Fortune 500 companies and nonprofit and public sector clients, she was a summer associate for Hausfeld for two years and the recipient of Hausfeld's 1L Diversity Law Fellowship. In addition to *RealPage*, Ms. Harris works on matters such as *In re Apple Inc. Smartphone Antitrust Litigation* (D.N.J.), representing a class of direct purchasers seeking recovery for alleged monopolization of smartphones and *City*

of *Philadelphia v. Glock, Inc.* (Philadelphia County), representing the city in this consumer-protection action alleging deceiving marketing, misleading civilians about the legality of fully automatic weapons.

11. *Jacob Leiken, Associate.* An associate in our New York office, Mr. Leiken is a 2025 graduate of New York University School Law where he interned with the New York Attorney General's Bureau of Internet and Technology. Working on antitrust/competition cases beyond *RealPage* such as *In Re: VISA Debit Card Antitrust Litig.* (representing merchants alleging monopolization of the U.S. debit transactions market) as well as human rights and technology and data breach cases at the Firm, Mr. Leiken brings his prior experience as a software engineer at a global technology company to the *RealPage* team.

12. A copy of the Firm's antitrust resume, including the biographies of the principal attorneys that have worked on this case currently at the Firm, is attached as Exhibit 1.

**COMMON BENEFIT WORK PERFORMED BY HAUSFELD LLP
FROM INCEPTION THROUGH MARCH 31, 2026**

13. The Joint Declaration ("J.D.") filed in support of the Motion broadly outlines the common benefit work undertaken by Plaintiffs' Counsel. *See, e.g.,* J.D. ¶¶ 8-45. At all times, the work performed by Plaintiffs' Counsel was directed and managed by Co-Lead Counsel, as well as undertaken by many attorneys at Hausfeld, including me.

14. Prior to filing the first complaint in this matter, Hausfeld conducted an extensive investigation into allegations against RealPage and the owners and operators of multifamily residential real estate that form the basis of this action. The investigation included, *inter alia*, factual research on the development of algorithmic pricing in the multifamily rental market, RealPage's marketing of its services, property managers' use of RealPage's pricing, the impact of RealPage on rental prices, interviewing former employees, and hiring experts. Following

publication October 15, 2022, *ProPublica* article about RealPage's role, Hausfeld and others (including Berger Montague and Lieff Cabraser, both PSC members), filed the first complaint.

15. Since being appointed to leadership in this case, the Firm has been engaged in every aspect of this litigation, not just overseeing and managing the litigation but as an active participant. We have endeavored to contribute efficiently to the action, managed our staffing and allocation of work closely, and coordinated responsibilities with Co-Lead Counsel to avoid unnecessary duplication.

16. Additional, but not exhaustive, exemplars of other common benefit work representative of our Firm's particular contributions in this case include:

- Researching and drafting the Consolidated Amended Class Action Complaint, the Second Consolidated Amended Class Action Complaint;
- Taking the lead role in drafting the opposition to Defendants' omnibus motion to dismiss and contributing towards oppositions to each of Defendants' other seven motions to dismiss;
- Preparing for and successfully arguing for Plaintiffs at the motion to dismiss hearing;
- Organizing document discovery and leading weekly PSC calls on discovery negotiations;
- Coordinating responses to multiple rounds of Defendants' document requests, leading meet and confers and drafting correspondence relating to disputes, and successfully resolving scope of production issues with minimal Court intervention;
- Handling dozens of discovery meet and confer negotiations for our Firm's assigned Defendants;
- Serving as team leaders for document review of the database of 16 million documents, reviewing documents, and creating memos to keep the case team apprised of key documents;
- Negotiating document production and written discovery responses for named Plaintiffs;

- Preparing for and taking depositions of witnesses of our assigned Defendants, and preparing and defending multiple class representative depositions;
- Researching and drafting responses to contention interrogatories and requests for admission, and handling all meet and confers for those written discovery responses;
- Overseeing the strategy concerning responses to Defendants third-party subpoenas, including discovery briefing, meeting and conferring with third parties, and taking depositions of third party subpoena subjects;
- Given Hausfeld's expertise in antitrust economics and class certification, leading expert efforts with economic consultants from Monument Economics Group and Dr. Russell Lamb, Ph.D., including ensuring that appropriate datasets were received;
- Working closely with technical expert Dr. Cynthia Rudin and her staff, including utilizing the technical expertise of a Hausfeld associate with a coding background to assist in translating complicated technical issues;
- Working with experts on notice and the plan of allocation requirements;
- Attending and participating in each of the eleven mediation sessions as well as negotiating and finalizing settlement agreements with over a dozen Defendants—including negotiating and finalizing the largest settlement in the case to date—resulting in aggregate monetary relief of \$359,925,000 and structural relief for the class;
- Taking lead on drafting the motions for preliminary approval and the motion for notice and the plan of allocation; and
- Working with the Settlement Administrator to effectuate the notice and plan of allocation.

**HAUSFELD LLP'S TIME, RATE & LODESTAR DETAIL
FROM INCEPTION THROUGH MARCH 31, 2026**

17. I am the principal partner at Hausfeld who oversaw and/or conducted the day-to-day activities in the litigation on behalf of my Firm. I directed and reviewed the audit of our Firm's time submissions for purposes of the Motion and submitting this individual declaration. The audit included, *inter alia*, removal of duplicative time, adjusting rates, clarifying work descriptions, removing incorrectly designated time, revising block billed entries, and eliminating any time that

was not for the common benefit, consistent with Protocol for Common Benefit Work and Expenses (Dkt. 302) (“Protocol”). *See also* J.D. ¶¶ 57-58. As part of the audit, my Firm has also removed hours associated with pure travel time, time and expense reporting, and the original leadership dispute at the beginning of the case, and has removed hours by any timekeepers totaling under 10 hours. It is my understanding that each Co-Lead firm and Liaison Counsel have undertaken the same audit process in connection with their time, rate and lodestar detail.

18. As set forth in the Joint Declaration, Hausfeld spent 25,051.5 hours (post-audit) on common benefit work through March 31, 2026, for a total lodestar of \$15,344,652 calculated at current rates. J.D. ¶ 62. I have reviewed the audited entries supporting this figure, and I affirm that they are true and accurate, and that the work they reflect was reasonable and necessary to the prosecution of this case. This work was undertaken on a fully contingent basis and for which it has not been paid, thus bearing the risk of non-payment. These hours and the associated lodestar do not include the time that my Firm has devoted and will continue to devote to the case after March 2026 against Defendants—including RealPage—who have not settled. The Firm will continue to represent Plaintiffs on a fully contingent basis for which it has no guarantee of guarantee of remuneration.

19. Attached as Exhibit 2 is a chart identifying all time-keepers, title, current rate,² hours worked on this case, and lodestar for common benefit work through March 31, 2026, in connection with the prosecution of this litigation.

20. The hourly rates for the partners, attorneys, and professional support staff at my Firm included in Exhibit 2 are our current hourly rates customarily charged and routinely awarded

² If the employee is no longer with the Firm, the last rate used by the time-keeper has been applied.

in litigation of this nature, and are commensurate with the skill and and experience of our peers. *See, e.g., In re: Broiler Chicken Grower Antitrust Litig. (No. II)*, No. 6:20-md-2977 (E.D. Okla.) (Dkt. 634) (1/7/2025 Order finding “that Class Counsel’s requested award of attorneys’ fees [supported by when submitted current rates ranging from \$260-\$1550/hour] in the amount of on[e]-third of the Pilgrim’s Settlement Fund of \$100 million (plus accrued interest) is well within the range of reasonable attorneys’ fees percentage-of-recovery awards established by relevant precedent”); *In re Google Play Developer Antitrust Litig.*, No. 20-cv-5792 (N.D. Cal.) (Dkt. 903) (1/11/2024 Order approving attorneys’ fees supported by when submitted current rates of \$350 to \$1370/hour); *Anaya v. Cencora Inc.*, No. 2:24-cv-2961 (E.D. Pa.) (Dkt. 140) (2/11/2026 Order approving attorneys’ fees supported by rates of \$350-\$1200).

21. Attached as Exhibit 3 is a chart identifying, by hours and lodestar, the time expended by task category for common benefit work through March 31, 2026, in connection with the prosecution of this litigation.

22. Exhibits 2 and 3 were prepared from contemporaneous, daily time records regularly prepared and maintained by my Firm and audited as indicated above.

**HAUSFELD LLP’S EXPENSE DETAIL
FROM INCEPTION THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026**

23. I also directed and reviewed the audit of our Firm’s expense submissions for purposes of the Motion and submitting this declaration. The purpose of this review was to confirm both the accuracy of the entries as well as the necessity for, and reasonableness of, the expenses committed to the litigation. *See also* J.D. ¶¶ 57-58. It is my understanding that each Co-Lead firm, Liaison Counsel, and the PSC have undertaken the same audit process in connection with this Motion and made appropriate adjustments.

24. As set forth in the Joint Declaration, my Firm is seeking reimbursement for a total of \$3,977,758.23 in litigation expenses reasonably incurred in connection with the prosecution of this Action through and including June 30, 2026. *See* J.D. ¶ 67. The most significant portion of the Firm's expenses are the \$3,850,000 in assessments paid to the litigation fund. The use of these funds (and those contributed by other Co-Lead Counsel, Liaison Counsel, and the PSC) are accounted for in the litigation fund reconciliation in the Joint Declaration. *See* J.D. ¶¶ 64-67.

25. The litigation expenses reflected in Exhibit 4 are the actual incurred expenses by category. Exhibit 4 was prepared from receipts and records kept in the ordinary course of the Firm's business, and is consistent with the Protocol.

26. These expenses have not been reimbursed, and the Firm expects to incur additional expenses in connection with the litigation of this case through expert discovery, class certification, summary judgment, and trial.

I declare, under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing facts are true and correct. Executed on July 28, 2026 in Washington, D.C.

/s/ Swathi Bojedla
Swathi Bojedla, Partner
Hausfeld LLP

EXHIBIT 1

HAUSFELD FIRM RESUME

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About Hausfeld

In the last decade, Hausfeld attorneys have won landmark trials, negotiated complex settlements among dozens of defendants, and recovered billions of dollars for clients both in and out of court. Renowned for skillful prosecution and resolution of complex and class-action litigation, Hausfeld is the only claimants' firm to be ranked in the top tier of private enforcement of antitrust/competition law in both the United States and the United Kingdom by *The Legal 500* and *Chambers and Partners*. Our German office is also ranked by *The Legal 500* for general competition law.

From our locations in Washington, D.C., Boston, New York, Philadelphia, San Francisco, Amsterdam, Berlin, Düsseldorf, Hamburg, Stockholm, and London, Hausfeld contributes to the development of law in the United States and abroad in the areas of Antitrust/Competition, Commercial and Financial Disputes, Environmental and Product Liability, Human Rights, and Technology and Data Breach. Hausfeld attorneys have studied the global integration of markets—and responded with innovative legal theories and a creative approach to claims in developed and emerging markets.

Hausfeld was founded by Michael D. Hausfeld, who is widely recognized as one of the country's top civil litigators and a leading expert in the fields of private antitrust/competition enforcement and international human rights. *The New York Times* has described Mr. Hausfeld as one of the nation's "most prominent antitrust lawyers," while *Washingtonian* characterizes him as a lawyer who is "determined to change the world—and succeeding," noting that he "consistently brings in the biggest judgments in the history of law."

Antitrust and competition litigation

Hausfeld's reputation for leading groundbreaking antitrust class actions in the United States is well-earned. Having prosecuted more than 50 antitrust class actions, Hausfeld attorneys are prepared to **litigate and manage cases with dozens of defendants** (*In re Blue Cross Blue Shield Antitrust Litigation*, with more than thirty defendants, and *In re National Football League's "Sunday Ticket" Antitrust Litigation's* \$4.7 billion trial victory), **negotiate favorable settlements for class members and clients** (*In re Air Cargo Shipping Services Antitrust Litigation*, settlements of more than \$1.2 billion, and *In re Blue Cross Blue Shield Antitrust Litigation*, \$2.67 billion settlement), **take on the financial services industry** (*In re Foreign Exchange Antitrust Litigation*, with settlements of more than \$2.3 billion), **take cartelists to trial** (*In re Vitamin C Antitrust Litigation*, trial victory of \$162 million against Chinese manufacturers of Vitamin C), and **push legal boundaries where others have not** (*O'Bannon v. NCAA*, another trial victory in which the court found that NCAA rules prohibiting additional scholarship payments to players as part of the recruiting process are unlawful).



Hausfeld is 'the world's leading antitrust litigation firm.'

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Hausfeld: A global reach

Hausfeld's international reach enables it to advise across multiple jurisdictions and pursue claims on behalf of clients worldwide. Hausfeld works closely with clients to deliver outstanding results while always addressing their business concerns. Hausfeld does so by anticipating issues, considering innovative strategies, and maximizing the outcome of legal disputes in a way that creates shareholder value. The firm's innovative cross border solutions work to the benefit of the multinational companies it often represents.

Creative solutions to complex legal challenges

Hausfeld lawyers consistently apply forward-thinking ideas and creative solutions to the most vexing global legal challenges faced by clients. As a result, the firm's litigators have developed numerous innovative legal theories that have expanded the quality and availability of legal recourse for claimants around the globe that have a right to seek recovery. Hausfeld's impact was recognized by the *Financial Times*, which honored Hausfeld's European team with the "Innovation in Legal Expertise - Dispute Resolution," award, which was followed up by FT commending Hausfeld's North American team for its innovative work in the same category. In addition, *The Legal 500* has ranked Hausfeld as the only top tier claimants firm in private enforcement of antitrust/competition law in both the United States and the United Kingdom. For example, the landmark settlement that Hausfeld negotiated to resolve claims against Parker ITR for antitrust overcharges on marine hoses was the first private resolution of a company's global cartel liability without any arbitration, mediation, or litigation—creating opportunities never before possible for dispute resolution and providing a new model for global cartel settlements going forward.

Unmatched global resources

The firm combines its U.S. offices on both coasts and vibrant European presence with a broad and deep network around the globe to offer clients the ability to seek redress or confront disputes in every corner of the world and across every industry. With over 170 lawyers in offices in Washington, D.C., Boston, New York, Philadelphia, San Francisco, Amsterdam, Berlin, Düsseldorf, Hamburg, Stockholm, and London, Hausfeld is a "market leader for claimant-side competition litigation" (*The Legal 500*).



A prominent litigation firm, renowned for its abilities representing plaintiffs in multidistrict class action antitrust suits across the country involving a wide variety of antitrust issues including monopolization, price manipulation and price fixing.

Chambers and Partners



Hausfeld, which 'commits extensive resources to the most difficult cases,' widely hails as one of the few market-leading plaintiff firms.

The Legal 500



Primarily in the antitrust capacity, Hausfeld is an undisputed trailblazer, identified as a ubiquitous presence by peers on both the plaintiff and defense sides of the 'V'.

Benchmark Litigation

Antitrust litigation

Hausfeld's antitrust litigation experience is unparalleled

Few, if any, U.S. law firms are litigating more class actions on behalf of companies and individuals injured by anticompetitive conduct than Hausfeld. The firm has litigated cases involving price-fixing, price manipulation, monopolization, tying, and bundling, through individual and class representation, and has experience across a wide variety of industries, including automotive, aviation, energy, financial services, food & beverage, healthcare, manufacturing, retail, and the transportation and logistics sectors. Clients rely on us for our antitrust expertise and our history of success in the courtroom, and at the negotiation table; the firm does not shy away from challenges, taking on some of the most storied institutions.



Hausfeld, 'one of the most capable plaintiffs' firms involved in the area of civil cartel enforcement,' is [w]idely recognized as a market leader for claimant-side competition litigation... [It is the] market leader in terms of quantity of cases, and also the most advanced in terms of tactical thinking.

The Legal 500

Hausfeld is not only trusted by its clients but also by judges to pursue these claims, as evidenced by the fact that the firm has been appointed as lead or co-lead counsel in dozens of antitrust cases in the last decade. In one example, Judge Morrison C. England of the Eastern District of California praised Hausfeld for having "the breadth of experience, resources and talent necessary to navigate" cases of import.

Recognizing the firm's antitrust prowess, *Global Competition Review* has opined that Hausfeld is "one of—if not the—top Plaintiffs' antitrust firm in the U.S."

The Legal 500 and *Chambers and Partners* likewise consistently rank Hausfeld among the top five firms in the United States for antitrust litigation on behalf of plaintiffs.

Hausfeld has achieved outstanding results in antitrust cases

Hausfeld lawyers have achieved precedent-setting legal decisions and historic trial victories, negotiated some of the world's most complex settlement agreements, and have collectively recovered billions of dollars in settlement and judgments in antitrust cases. Key highlights include:

- ***In re National Football League's "Sunday Ticket" Antitrust Litigation No. 15-02668-PSG (C.D. Cal.)***
Hausfeld served as co-lead class counsel and trial counsel in the NFL "Sunday Ticket" **\$4.7 billion trial victory**. Hausfeld, along with co-counsel, represented purchasers of DirecTV's Sunday Ticket who alleged that the NFL, the NFL teams, and DirecTV (in coordination with the broadcast networks) suppressed the availability of out-of-market telecasts of NFL games through a series of interlocking agreements that made these games available only through a single product ("Sunday Ticket") offered by just one satellite television provider, DirecTV. Through this arrangement, the NFL and its co-conspirators inflated the price of Sunday Ticket and protected the networks from competition. In 2023, the court certified two classes of Sunday Ticket purchasers: commercial businesses and individuals. In early 2024, the court denied summary judgment. And in June 2024, after nine years and a month-long trial, Hausfeld and their co-counsel achieved a \$4.7 billion jury verdict. Following trial, the NFL filed a motion for judgment as a matter of law, which Judge Gutierrez granted and which will be the subject of a second appeal in this matter.
- ***In re Blue Cross Blue Shield Antitrust Litig., No. 13-mdl-2496 (N.D. Ala.)***
The Court appointed Hausfeld attorneys as co-lead counsel, and to the Plaintiffs' Steering Committee, in this case against Blue Cross Blue Shield entities.

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FOR THE CHALLENGE

This case was brought against over 30 Blue Cross companies and its trade association (BCBSA) and alleges that they illegally agreed not to compete with each other for health insurance subscribers across the United States. After defeating motions to dismiss, Hausfeld marshalled evidence from a record that consisted of over **14 million documents** from more than thirty defendants and won a landmark ruling when the district court ruled that the *per se* standard would be applied to defendants' conduct. In August 2022, the Court granted approval to the proposed Settlement agreement resolving the claims of Blue Cross Blue Shield subscribers for **\$2.67 billion**. In addition to monetary relief, the settlement includes systemic injunctive relief that will change the landscape for competition in healthcare. The settlement is the largest antitrust settlement in a case where the government had not itself prosecuted, investigated, or been part of the case at all.

- ***In re Foreign Exchange Benchmark Rates Antitrust Litig.*, 13-cv-7789 (S.D.N.Y.)**

Hausfeld served as co-lead counsel in this case alleging financial institutions participated in a conspiracy to manipulate a key benchmark in the foreign exchange market. To date, the firm has obtained over **\$2.3 billion** in settlements from **fifteen defendants**.

- ***In re LIBOR-Based Financial Instruments Antitrust Litig.*, No. 11-md-2262 (S.D.N.Y.)**

Hausfeld serves as co-lead counsel in this case against sixteen of the world's largest financial institutions for conspiring to fix LIBOR, the primary benchmark for short-term interest rates. To date, the firm has obtained **\$781 million** in settlements with twelve defendants. An antitrust class has been certified and the case is ongoing against the remaining five defendants.

- ***In re International Air Passenger Surcharge Antitrust Litig.*, No. 06-md-01793 (N.D. Cal.)**

Hausfeld served as co-lead counsel in this case against two international airlines alleged to have fixed fuel surcharges on flights between the United States and United Kingdom. Lawyers at the firm negotiated a ground-breaking **\$200 million**

international settlement that provides recovery for both U.S. purchasers under U.S. antitrust laws and U.K. purchasers under U.K. competition laws.

- ***In re Municipal Derivatives Antitrust Litig.*, No. 08- cv-2516 (S.D.N.Y.)**

Hausfeld served as co-lead counsel in this case against banks, insurance companies, and brokers accused of rigging bids on derivative instruments purchased by municipalities. The firm obtained over **\$200 million** in settlements with more than ten defendants.

- ***In re Processed Egg Products Antitrust Litig.*, No. 08-md-2002 (E.D. Pa.)**

Hausfeld served as co-lead counsel in this case alleging that egg producers, through their trade associations, engaged in a scheme to artificially inflate egg prices by agreeing to restrict the supply of both laying hens and eggs. The firm obtained over **\$135 million** in settlements, won certification of a class of shell egg purchasers, and tried the case against the remaining defendants.

- ***In re Dental Supplies Antitrust Litig.*, No. 1:16-cv-00696 (E.D.N.Y.)**

Hausfeld served as co-lead counsel in this litigation in which a proposed class of private dental practices claimed that the four major distributors of dental products and equipment conspired to fix margins, divide markets and allocate customers, and orchestrate industry boycotts of lower-priced, innovative rivals. The Federal Trade Commission filed a related lawsuit against the dental distributor companies a year after the private plaintiffs first initiated their action, borrowing legal theories first investigated and advanced by the private plaintiffs. In 2019 the private plaintiffs' action was settled just minutes before a class certification Daubert hearing was set to commence for **\$80 million**.

- ***In re Broiler Chicken Grower Antitrust Litigation (No. II)*, MDL No. 6:20-2977-RJS-CMR (E.D. Olka.)**

Hausfeld is co-lead counsel on behalf of a certified class of broiler chicken growers, alleging that poultry companies formed a nationwide conspiracy to suppress and maintain broiler chicken growers'

compensation below competitive levels. In May 2024, the judge granted a motion to certify a class of over 20,000 chicken farmers seeking \$750 million in damages against Pilgrim's Pride, the sole remaining non-settling defendant. By 2025, the firm reached settlements totaling \$169 million with the five Defendants – Tyson, Pilgrim's, Perdue, Koch, and Sanderson. Hausfeld originally developed the case through independent research into anomalous economic activity in the broiler market.

- ***In re Domestic Airline Travel Antitrust Litig., No. 15-1404 (CKK) (D.D.C.)***

Hausfeld serves as co-lead counsel for a proposed class of domestic air passengers that collectively allege the defendants, the four major U.S. passenger air carriers —United, American, Delta, and Southwest — conspired to fix domestic airfares by colluding to limit their respective capacity. The passengers allege that Defendants, in which a common set of investors owned significant shares during the conspiracy period, carried out the conspiracy through repeated assurances to each other on earnings calls and other statements that they each were engaging in “capacity discipline”. In October 2016, the court denied defendants’ motion to dismiss. Since that time, the firm has obtained **\$60 million** in settlements with American and Southwest. The litigation against United and Delta is ongoing.

- ***In re Automotive Aftermarket Lighting Products Antitrust Litig., No. 09-ML-2007 (C.D. Cal.)***

Hausfeld served as co-lead counsel in this case against three manufacturers for participating in an international conspiracy to fix the prices of aftermarket automotive lighting products. The firm obtained over **\$50 million** in settlements.

- ***O'Bannon v. NCAA, No. 09-cv-03329 (N.D. Cal.)***

In the landmark O'Bannon litigation, Hausfeld represented college athletes who collectively alleged that the NCAA, its members, and its commercial partners, violated federal antitrust law by unlawfully foreclosing former players from receiving any compensation related to the use of their names,

images, and likenesses in television broadcasts, rebroadcasts, and videogames. In 2013, the plaintiffs announced a **\$40 million settlement** agreement with defendant Electronic Arts, Inc., which left the NCAA as the remaining defendant. Following trial in 2014, the Court determined that the NCAA had violated the antitrust laws and issued a permanent injunction. The Ninth Circuit affirmed the NCAA's violation of the antitrust laws and upheld significant injunctive relief—the practical effect of which is that college athletes can now each receive up to \$5,000 more every year as part of their scholarship package (to cover their education, travel and medical expenses, and acquire preprofessional training as they enter the work force).

Litigation achievements

Significant trial victories

While many law firms like to talk about litigation experience, Hausfeld lawyers regularly bring cases to trial—and win. Among our trial victories are some of the largest antitrust cases in the modern era. For example, in ***O'Bannon v. NCAA (N.D. Cal.)***, we conducted a three-week bench trial before the chief judge of the Northern District of California, resulting in a complete victory for college athletes who alleged an illegal agreement among the National Collegiate Athletic Association and its member schools to deny payment to athletes for the commercial licensing of their names, images, and likenesses. Our victory in the O'Bannon litigation followed the successful trial efforts in ***Law v. NCAA (D.Kan.)***, a case challenging earning restrictions imposed on assistant college coaches in which the jury awarded **\$67 million** to the class plaintiffs that one of our lawyers represented.

In ***In re National Football League's "Sunday Ticket" Antitrust Litigation (C.D. Cal.)***, Hausfeld served as co-lead counsel and trial counsel on behalf of residential and commercial subscriber plaintiffs alleging that the National Football League 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

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awarded **\$4.7 billion** in damages, the largest antitrust jury verdict ever.

In *In re Vitamin C Antitrust Litigation* (E.D.N.Y.), we obtained, on behalf of our direct purchaser clients, a **\$148 million** jury verdict and judgment against Chinese pharmaceutical companies that fixed prices and controlled export output of Vitamin C—on the heels of \$22.5 million in settlements with other defendants, which represented the first civil settlements with Chinese companies in a U.S. antitrust cartel case. Years earlier, we took on a global vitamin price-fixing cartel in *In re Vitamins* (D.D.C.), in which we secured a **\$1.1 billion settlement** for a class of vitamin purchasers and then took the remaining defendants to trial. Although the verdict was reversed following remand to the Second Circuit Court of Appeals by the Supreme Court on the issue of comity, the case demonstrates Hausfeld's trial expertise.

Our trial experience extends to intellectual property matters and general commercial litigation as well. Recently, we represented entertainment companies that sought to hold internet service provider Cox Communications accountable for willful contributory copyright infringement by ignoring the illegal downloading activity of its users. Following a trial in *BMG Rights Management (US) LLC, v. Cox Enterprises, Inc.* (E.D. Va.), the jury returned a **\$25 million verdict** for our client. After the defendants appealed and prior to a new trial, the parties settled.

Exceptional settlement results

Over the past decade, Hausfeld has recouped over \$20 billion for clients and the classes they represented. We are proud of our record of successful dispute resolution. Among our settlement achievements, a selection of cases merit special mention.

On August 9, 2022, the Court granted approval to the proposed settlement agreement in *In re Blue Cross Blue Shield Antitrust Litigation* (M.D. Ala.), resolving the claims of Blue Cross Blue Shield subscribers represented by Hausfeld for **\$2.67 billion**. In addition to monetary relief, the settlement includes systemic

injunctive relief that will change the landscape for competition in healthcare.

In the high profile *In re Foreign Exchange Benchmark Rates Antitrust Litigation* (S.D.N.Y.), we negotiated settlements totaling more than \$2.3 billion with fifteen banks accused of conspiring to manipulate prices paid in the foreign-exchange market.

In another case involving allegations of price-fixing among the world's largest airfreight carriers, *In re Air Cargo Shipping Services Antitrust Litigation* (E.D.N.Y.), we negotiated settlements with more than 30 defendants totaling over \$1.2 billion—all in advance of trial.

In the ongoing *In re LIBOR-Based Financial Instruments Antitrust Litigation* (S.D.N.Y.) case, we have secured **\$781 million** in settlements with twelve banks, and the case continues against the remaining five defendant banks

Hausfeld served as class counsel in *Hale v. State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Co.* (S.D.Ill.). This case involved allegations that State Farm worked to help elect an Illinois state supreme court justice in order to overturn a billion-dollar judgment against it. On the day opening statements were to be delivered to the jury, State Farm agreed to settle for **\$250 million**.

In the global **Marine Hose matter**, we broke new ground with the first private resolution of a company's global cartel liability without any arbitration, mediation, or litigation. That settlement enabled every one of Parker ITR's non-US marine-hose purchasers to recover up to 16% of their total purchases.

As co-lead counsel for a class of app developers in *In re Google Play Store Antitrust Litigation* (N.D. Cal.), on November 18, 2022, Hausfeld secured preliminary approval for a **\$90 million** settlement in groundbreaking antitrust class action against Google. The settlement resolves claims against Google regarding its alleged anticompetitive conduct and unlawful practices related to the Google Play Store, including Google's requirement that app developers pay a 30% fee to Google on revenue earned from paid apps and in-app products. The settlement was reached on behalf of app developers

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with \$2 million or less in annual sales, which includes nearly all U.S. developers earning revenue in the Google Play Store. In addition to paying \$90 million in monetary relief directly to developers, Google has acknowledged that the litigation was a catalyst for its 2021 launch of a program where developers pay a reduced 15% service fee on their first \$1 million in annual revenues and agreed to maintain that reduced fee tier for at least three more years. Google has also committed to a series of structural reforms, including developing an “Indie Apps Corner” on the homepage of the Google Play Store and publishing an annual transparency report.

In the *In re Disposable Contact Lens Antitrust Litigation* case, Hausfeld serves as one of the three co-lead counsel for a nationwide class of consumers alleging horizontal and vertical conspiracies by the four leading contact lens manufacturers and their primary distributor to impose minimum resale price maintenance policies called “unilateral pricing policies,” or “UPPs.” case. On June 16, 2016, the court overseeing the litigation denied the defendants’ motion to dismiss; on December 4, 2018, the court certified litigation classes of consumers who purchased contact lenses subject to UPPs; and on November 27, 2019, the Court denied the defendants’ four motions for summary judgment. The plaintiffs have prevailed at every turn. On June 16, 2016, the court denied the defendants’ motion to dismiss, on December 4, 2018, the court granted class certification, and on November 27, 2019, the court denied the defendants’ motions for summary judgment. Settlements were reached with all five defendants prior to the scheduled trial in March 2022, totaling **over \$117 million**: CVI (\$2 million), B&L (\$10 million), ABB (\$30.2 million), Alcon (\$20 million) and JJVC (\$55 million).

These cases are just a few among dozens of landmark settlements across our practice areas.

Reputation and leadership in the antitrust bar

Court commendations

Judges across the country have taken note of Hausfeld's experience and results achieved in antitrust litigation.



This has just been an absolute gem of an experience from the standpoint of having the opportunity to have just great lawyers fighting over something that's really important and significant.

– District Judge R. David Proctor

In re Blue Cross Blue Shield Antitrust Litigation, MDL No. 2406 (N.D. Ala.) (granting preliminary approval of settlement in case where Hausfeld serves as co-lead counsel.)



All class actions generally are more complex than routine actions... But this one is a doozy. This case is now, I guess, nearly more than ten years old. The discovery as I've noted has been extensive. The motion practice has been extraordinary... The recovery by the class is itself extraordinary. The case, the international aspect of the case is extraordinary. Chasing around the world after all these airlines is an undertaking that took enormous courage.

– Judge Brian M. Cogan

In re Air Cargo Shipping Services Antitrust Litigation, No. 06-md-1775 (E.D.N.Y.)



The class is represented by what I would describe as an all-star group of litigators...

– District Judge David R. Herdon

Hale v. State Farm, No. 12-cv-00660-DRH-SCW (S.D. Ill.)



Hausfeld lawyers achieved 'really, an outstanding settlement in which a group of lawyers from two firms coordinated the work... and brought an enormous expertise and then experience in dealing with the case.' Hausfeld lawyers are 'more than competent. They are outstanding.'

– Judge Charles R. Breyer

In re International Air Passenger Surcharge Antitrust Litig., No. 06-md-01793 (N.D. Cal.) (approving a ground-breaking \$200 million international settlement that provided recovery for both U.S. purchasers under U.S. antitrust laws, and U.K. purchasers under U.K. competition laws.)



Hausfeld has 'the breadth of experience, resources and talent necessary to navigate a case of this import.' Hausfeld 'stands out from the rest.'

– District Judge Morrison C. England Jr.

Four In One v. SK Foods, No. 08-cv-3017 (E.D. Cal.)



Comparing Hausfeld's work through trial to *Game of Thrones*: 'where individuals with seemingly long odds overcome unthinkable challenges... For plaintiffs, their trial victory in this adventurous, risky suit, while more than a mere game, is nothing less than a win...'

– Magistrate Judge Nathanael M. Cousins

O'Bannon v. Nat'l College Athletic Ass'n, No. 09-cv-3329 (N.D. Cal.)

Awards and recognitions



The Legal 500

In 2025, for the 16th consecutive year, Hausfeld was ranked in the top tier nationally for firms in antitrust civil litigation and class actions by *The Legal 500*. As one of only five firms in this top tier, the publication notes that, “Hausfeld LLP has a successful record in high-stakes cases, acting for a broad client base of public and private companies, purchaser classes, and individual plaintiffs,” and, as “one of the top plaintiffs’ antitrust firms in the country,” “the firm has a great deal of experience in handling class actions and individual cases asserting claims in the US and abroad.” The publication also previously stated that:

Hausfeld is “top-notch in all respects and particularly expert in everything about antitrust law.”

Hausfeld lawyers are, “pragmatic, smart and focused litigation experts,” and the firm is “at the top of its game,” with “a number of heavyweight practitioners.”

“DC firm Hausfeld LLP remains top-notch in antitrust litigation... Hausfeld LLP is one of the most capable plaintiffs firms involved in the area of civil cartel enforcement, and is handling some of the major cartel-related cases...”

Hausfeld is a “market transformer,” the “most innovative firm with respect to antitrust damages,” is “[d]riven by excellence,” “anticipates the evolving needs of clients,” and delivers “outstanding advice not only in legal terms but also with a true entrepreneurial touch. . .”

Described by a client as ‘very tenacious and appropriately aggressive, with great client relations skills’, Hausfeld LLP enjoys a stellar reputation in the antitrust space and is regularly praised for its European and global plaintiff-side antitrust practice alongside its work in the US.

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Antitrust Publications & Events

In 2025, the Hausfeld *Competition Bulletin* article titled, “Vanishing Act: The Impact of ephemeral messaging on civil antitrust conspiracy litigation,” authored by Hausfeld lawyer Daniel P. Weick and Jamie Nicolaidis, was awarded *Concurrences’* 2025 Writing Award in its Procedure (Business) category.

In 2018, an article authored by Hausfeld lawyer Scott Martin, joined by co-authors Brian Henry and Michaela Spero, was awarded *Concurrences’* 2018 Writing Award for Private Enforcement (Business) Category. The article, “Cartel Damage Recovery: A Roadmap for In-House Counsel,” was originally published in Antitrust Magazine.

In 2017, Hausfeld’s *Competition Bulletin* was selected to be ranked among the top antitrust firms distributing newsletters and bulletins. Hausfeld is the only Plaintiffs’ firm to be ranked, and we secured the number one spot for Private Enforcement Newsletters.



Benchmark Litigation

In 2024, for the sixth consecutive year, *Benchmark Litigation* highlighted Hausfeld as a leader in the domain of dispute resolution, recognizing the firm at the national level, as well as regionally on both coasts.

Hausfeld was ranked by *Benchmark* for Antitrust/Competition Nationwide, and is one of only a small handful of plaintiff-side firms on the list. Hausfeld was also honored as a 'Recommended Top Plaintiff Firm' Nationwide, and described by the publication as "an undisputed trailblazer, identified as a ubiquitous presence by peers on both the plaintiff and defense sides of the 'V'." A peer on the defense side commented "many firms try to do what they do, but Hausfeld is one of the only ones that gets it right and one of the ones we take the most seriously." Further to Hausfeld's national recognitions, *Benchmark* recognized several individuals in the firm's San Francisco and Washington, DC offices.



2025 Antitrust Report

In 2025, for a seventh consecutive year, Hausfeld has been recognized as one of the leading claimant firms for recovery in antitrust litigation in the US. In the *2024 Antitrust Annual Report*, published by the Center for Litigation and Courts | UC Law SF and The Huntington National Bank. Hausfeld has been recognized as the top firm out of the 25 analyzed, having recovered 132 settlements, totaling over \$8.2 billion, 2009-2024.



Who's Who Legal

In 2022, *Who's Who Legal* honored 14 Hausfeld partners - more than any other firm - among the world's top 106 competition claimant lawyers. These practitioners are renowned for their experience and expertise in competition or antitrust matters before the highest courts in the UK, EU and USA.

In 2019, *Who's Who Legal* honored Hausfeld as the 'Competition Plaintiff Firm of the Year,' noting that the firm is, "a giant in the competition plaintiff field that once again demonstrates the strength and depth of its expertise..."

In 2018, the publication recognized the firm as "[a] powerhouse in the plaintiffs' litigation field, with particularly deep capability in competition matters," highlighting "nine outstanding litigators."



Financial Times

In 2023, the *Financial Times* shortlisted two Hausfeld cases for the 2023 FT Innovative Lawyers Awards North America Awards in the categories 'Innovation Lawyers in Cyber Security & Data Protection' for *In re: T-Mobile Customer Data Security Breach Litigation* and 'Innovation Lawyers in Technology' for *In re Google Play Developer Antitrust Litigation*.

In 2019, the *Financial Times* named Hausfeld one of the 25 'Most Innovative Law Firms: Overall' in North America. Notably, Hausfeld was the only plaintiffs' firm to make the list. In 2018, the *Financial Times*' Innovative Lawyers Report honored Hausfeld with the 'Innovation in Legal Expertise - Dispute Resolution' award for the firm's work with Dutch transportation insurer TVM. The *Financial Times* followed up this award by commending Hausfeld in its 2018 North America Innovative Lawyers Report for its representation of plaintiffs in *In Re Foreign Exchange Benchmark Rates Antitrust Litigation*. Hausfeld is proud to be the only plaintiffs' firm to have received recognition in the category of 'dispute resolution' for 2018 on both sides of the Atlantic.

In 2016, the *Financial Times* named Hausfeld as a top innovative law firm. Writing about Hausfeld's innovation in the legal market, the *Financial Times* noted: "The firm has taken the litigation finance model to Germany, to turn company inhouse legal departments into profit centres."

In 2015, Michael Hausfeld was recognized by the *Financial Times* as one of the Top 10 Innovative Lawyers in North America.

In 2013, Hausfeld won the *Financial Times* Innovative Lawyer Dispute Resolution Award. The FT stated that Hausfeld has "[p]ioneered a unique and market-changing litigation funding structure that improved accessibility and enabled victims to pursue actions with little or no risk."

U.S. News & World Report & Best Lawyers

In 2022, Hausfeld was the only firm awarded the honor of best law firm in the 'Antitrust Law' category by *U.S. News and Best Lawyers* in its 2023 Best Law Firms edition.

In 2021, Hausfeld was the only firm awarded the honor of best law firm in the 'Litigation – Antitrust' category by *U.S. News and Best Lawyers* in its 2022 Best Law Firms edition.



Global Competition Review

In 2023, Hausfeld won Global Competition Review's award for the "Litigation of the Year – Non-Cartel Prosecution" in recognition of the firm's work on *In re Google Play Developer Antitrust Litigation*. In one of the most high-profile private litigation settlements of 2022, Google agreed to pay \$90 million to approximately 48,000 Android app developers that earned less than \$2 million in annual revenue from its Google Play Store.

In 2021, the firm won *Global Competition Review*'s award for "Litigation of the Year – Cartel Prosecution" in recognition of the firm's work on *In re Blue Cross Blue Shield Antitrust Litigation*. After eight years of litigation, the proposed class of subscribers secured a \$2.67 billion settlement from the Blue Cross Blue Shield (BCBS) network, which was preliminarily approved in 2020 and pending final approval.

In 2018, Hausfeld attorneys were awarded *Global Competition Review*'s "Litigation of the Year – Cartel Prosecution" commending its work on *In re Vitamin C Antitrust Litigation*. In this historic case, the Supreme Court ruled in favor of Hausfeld's clients, setting forth criteria and a framework for courts to use when assessing the credibility and weight to give to a foreign government's expression of its own laws.

In 2016, Hausfeld was awarded Global Competition Review's "Litigation of the Year – Cartel Prosecution" for its work on *In re Foreign Exchange Antitrust Benchmark Litigation*. The award recognized Hausfeld's success in the Foreign Exchange litigation to date, which has included securing settlements for more than \$2.3 billion in on behalf of a class of injured foreign exchange investors and overcoming three motions to dismiss in the action.

In 2015, Hausfeld attorneys were awarded Global Competition Review's "Litigation of the Year – Non-Cartel Prosecution," which recognized their trial victory in *O'Bannon v. NCAA*, a landmark case brought on behalf of college athletes challenging the NCAA's restrictions on payment for commercial licensing of those athletes' names, images, and likenesses in various media.

U.S. News & World Report

Since 2016, *U.S. News & World Report – Best Law Firms* has named Hausfeld to its top tier in both Antitrust Law and Litigation, and among its top tiers in Commercial Litigation. Hausfeld is also continuously recognized in New York, San Francisco, and Washington, DC in Antitrust Law, Litigation, Mass Torts and Commercial Litigation.

American Antitrust Institute

In 2025, Hausfeld and its co-counsel once again received the American Antitrust Institute's award for 'Outstanding Antitrust Litigation Achievement in Private Law Practice' for collective work on behalf of our clients in *In re Broiler Chicken Grower Antitrust Litigation*.

In 2023, Hausfeld and its co-counsel received the American Antitrust Institute's award for 'Outstanding Antitrust Litigation Achievement in Private Law Practice' for collective work on behalf of our clients in *In re Broiler Chicken Grower Antitrust Litigation and Olean Wholesale Foods Inc. v. Bumble Bee Foods Inc.*

In 2021, Hausfeld and its co-counsel received the American Antitrust Institute's award for 'Outstanding Antitrust Litigation Achievement in Private Law Practice' for collective work on behalf of our clients in *In re Blue Cross Blue Shield Antitrust Litigation*.

In 2018, Hausfeld and its co-counsel received the American Antitrust Institute's award for 'Outstanding Antitrust Litigation Achievement in Private Law Practice' for their trial and appellate victories in *In re Vitamin C Antitrust Litigation*.

In 2016, the American Antitrust Institute honored two Hausfeld case teams—*In re Air Cargo Shipping Services Antitrust Litig.* (E.D.N.Y.) and *In re Municipal Derivatives Antitrust Litig.* (S.D.N.Y.)—with its top award for Outstanding Antitrust Litigation Achievement in Private Law Practice. Taken together, these two cases have yielded settlements of over \$1.4 billion to class members after nearly a decade of litigation. The award celebrates private civil actions that provide significant benefits to clients, consumers, or a class and contribute to the positive development of antitrust policy.

In 2015, Hausfeld and fellow trial counsel won the American Antitrust Institute's award for Outstanding Antitrust Litigation Achievement in Private Law Practice for their trial and appellate victories in *O'Bannon v. NCAA*.



Chambers AND PARTNERS

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In 2025, *Chambers and Partners* once again named Hausfeld to its highest tier, Band 1, for “Antitrust: Plaintiff – USA – Nationwide,” noting that the firm is “an outstanding firm with very wide and deep experience” and “Hausfeld brings so much to bear in litigation. On top of being very skilled litigators, they also bring an international bench.” Hausfeld’s team was also noted for being “talented across the board, [Hausfeld] contains some of the hardest-working and smartest lawyers,” and “[the] group does fantastic work.”

Hausfeld was one of just four law firms ranked in Band 1. Hausfeld’s New York office was also named to Band 1 for “Antitrust: Mainly Plaintiff – New York,” Hausfeld’s California office was named to Band 1 for “Antitrust: Mainly Plaintiff - California” and Hausfeld’s Washington, DC office was recognized in Band 1 for “Litigation: Mainly Plaintiff.”

The publication has also previously noted about the firm:

“[H]as fantastic lawyers who are out-of-the-box thinkers, client service-oriented and a pleasure to work with.”

“Able to deploy a deep bench of trial attorneys with outstanding litigation experience,” and is “renowned for its abilities representing plaintiffs in multidistrict class action antitrust suits across the country involving a wide variety of antitrust issues.”

Clients reported to the publication that “Hausfeld is a great partner that makes sure to understand our perspective,” and peers have commended the firm’s “terrific, deep bench.”

National Law Journal

In 2015, Hausfeld was named to the *National Law Journal*’s “Plaintiffs Hot List” for the fourth year in a row. The publication elaborated:

“Hausfeld’s creative approaches underpinned key antitrust wins last year, including a trailblazing victory for former college athletes over the use of their likenesses in television broadcasts and video games...” and Hausfeld, along with its co-counsel, “nailed down a \$99.5 million settlement with JPMorgan Chase & Co. in January in New York federal court for alleged manipulation of market benchmarks. And it helped land nearly \$440 million in settlements last year, and more than \$900 million thus far, in multidistrict antitrust litigation against air cargo companies.”

In 2014, the *National Law Journal* named Hausfeld as one of a select group of America’s Elite Trial Lawyers, as determined by “big victories in complex cases that have a wide impact on the law and legal business.” The award notes that Hausfeld is among those “doing the most creative and substantial work on the plaintiffs side.”

Diversity, equity & inclusion

Hausfeld is committed to diversity and inclusion, because we know that embracing a variety of viewpoints and backgrounds allows us to gain better insights and strengthen our practice. Our diversity is reflected throughout our dozens of case teams leading class actions across the country. Hausfeld is proud that half of our lawyers are women, who lead some of the largest price-fixing and market manipulation antitrust MDLs in the United States on behalf of our firm.

Hausfeld's Appointed Diversity Partner and Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee is committed to examining and improving all aspects of our hiring, benefits, training, support, and promotion practices to ensure that Hausfeld maintains the highest standards for ourselves, and continually strive for improvement. Hausfeld seeks to ensure that all of our attorneys are provided the resources they need to excel, and are given opportunities to lead, both within and outside the firm.

At Hausfeld, achieving social justice, diversity, inclusivity, and equity is core to our values. Some examples of how we live out our values, both through our legal work and within the firm internally includes our representation of victims of apartheid in South Africa, black Americans persecuted in the Tulsa race riots and their survivors, and plaintiffs in a racial-bias discrimination case against Texaco, Inc., among other civil rights and pro bono cases. Today, the firm continues to fight for victims of deeply ingrained inequities, including taking on intersectional challenges like climate change litigation and advocacy.

Hausfeld has a strong ethos of providing access to justice for communities across the world. This is evidenced in much of the pro-bono work the firm has undertaken over the years. One of the highest profile recent cases involves our representation of Greta Thunberg and 15 young climate activists from around the world who are threatened by the climate crisis. Represented by a team of human rights and environmental lawyers from Hausfeld, and NGO Earthjustice, the young people submitted a petition to the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child arguing that five G20 countries - Argentina, Brazil, France, Germany,

and Turkey – are violating their rights to life, health, and culture under the Convention on the Rights of the Child by failing to curb greenhouse gas emissions to levels that would limit global warming to 1.5°C, a target set by climate science and the Paris Agreement. Hausfeld lawyers have worked tirelessly for several years in supporting these young people in tackling climate change.

For over a decade, Hausfeld has supported the Mid-Atlantic Innocence Project, which seeks to exonerate innocent convicted individuals, who are disproportionately persons of color. In addition, the firm ran a significant donation and employee matching program for the Equal Justice Initiative, the National Urban League, and the NAACP's Legal Defense and Education Fund, with ultimate donations over \$50,000. The firm has also joined the Law Firm Anti-Racism Alliance (LFAA), a group with the strategic goal of changing the way institutions deal with racial inequality.

Hausfeld achieved Certification Plus in Diversity Lab's Mansfield Rule for Midsize Firms, an innovative national initiative modeled after the original Mansfield Rule, committing the firm to consider an intentionally broad and diverse pool of candidates when selecting leaders for positions within the firm, hiring entry-level and lateral attorneys, positioning lawyers for case leadership roles, and forming teams for client pitches. As a Mansfield Certified Plus firm, Hausfeld also achieved 30 percent or more diverse representation in current leadership roles, formal client pitches, and staffing on key matters. Out of the total 26 firms that participated in this inaugural program, Hausfeld is one of 16 firms that achieved Certified Plus status.

Hausfeld also has a 1L Diversity Fellowship Program in which a 1L law student from a historically underrepresented background participates in the US summer associate program and receives a \$10,000 scholarship toward the student's law school costs.

In addition, our Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committees continues to facilitate mandatory trainings, including anti-bias and diversity, equity & inclusion training, for all management, attorneys, and staff. Further, the DEI Committee continues to hold numerous all-firm programs, often time with outside experts including historians, NGOs, and DEI professionals, to speak on various social justice topics including Racial Justice, LGBTQ+, Disability Rights, Women's Rights, and Social Inclusion.

Thought leadership

Hausfeld lawyers do more than litigation. They exercise thought leadership in many fields. Hausfeld lawyers host, lecture at, and participate in leading legal conferences worldwide and address ground-breaking topics including: the pursuit of damages actions in the United States and the European Union on behalf of EU and other non-U.S. plaintiffs; nascent private civil enforcement of EU competition laws; application of the Foreign Trade Antitrust Improvements Act; the impact of *Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. v. Dukes and Comcast Corp. v. Behrend* on class certification; reforms to the Federal Civil Rules of Procedure; emerging issues in complex litigation; and legal technology and electronic discovery.

Hausfeld attorneys have presented before Congressional subcommittees, regulators, judges, business leaders, inhouse counsel, private lawyers, public-interest advocates, elected officials, and institutional investors, and hold leadership positions in organizations such as the American Bar Association, the American Antitrust Institute, the Women Antitrust Plaintiffs' Attorneys network group, the Sedona Conference, and the Institute for the Advancement of the American Legal System.

Every quarter, our lawyers share their insights into noteworthy antitrust investigations, judgments, regulatory decisions, competition law, and digital markets developments in the United States and Europe in Hausfeld's *Competition Bulletin*. Managing Editor, Sarah R. LaFreniere and Chair Emeritus, Michael D. Hausfeld curate detailed and opinion pieces which are regularly shortlisted by *Concurrences* in their Antitrust Writing Awards and widely recognized as market-leading by our peers, clients, and the judiciary.

Selected articles

- **"Supreme Court declines to consider changes to rule 23(B) predominance requirements"** Theodore F. DiSalvo, Hausfeld *Competition Bulletin*/Lexology (May 16, 2024)
- **"Private enforcement of the Digital Markets Act: What to expect under German Law"** Dr. Ann-Christin Richter & Rebecca Apell, Hausfeld *Competition Bulletin*/Lexology (May 16, 2024)
- **"Vanishing act: The impact of ephemeral messaging on civil antitrust conspiracy litigation"** Daniel P. Weick & Jamie Nicolaidis, Hausfeld *Competition Bulletin*/Lexology (February 27, 2024)
- **"Epic Games, Inc. v. Apple, Inc.: A new day for injunctive relief under California's UCL?"** Kyle Bates & Tae H. Kim, Hausfeld *Competition Bulletin*/Lexology (September 15, 2023)
- **"Seventh Circuit reminds practitioners: Article III standing and antitrust standing are distinct,"** Sarah LaFreniere, Hausfeld *Competition Bulletin*/Lexology (Spring 2022).
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- **“Antitrust Class Proceedings – Then and Now,”** Michael D. Hausfeld, Michael P. Lehmann, and Sathya S. Gosselin, *Research in Law and Economics* (Vol. 26, 2014) — Recipient of *Concurrences’* 2015 Antitrust Writing Award for Private Enforcement (Academic) Category.
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OVERVIEW

As a partner in Hausfeld's Washington, D.C. office, Swathi has built a diverse and impactful career. She has worked on some of the highest-profile and most comprehensive class action antitrust cases in recent years, recovering over \$3 billion in settlement awards for the firm's clients. She represented a class of health insurance subscribers in *In re Blue Cross Blue Shield Antitrust Litigation*, securing \$2.67 billion in settlement and broad injunctive relief to increase opportunities for competition in the healthcare industry. She has also played a key role in significant antitrust matters within the sports industry, particularly concerning players' rights around names, images, and likenesses (NIL). Swathi was instrumental in the landmark *O'Bannon v. NCAA* trial, which secured class injunctive relief allowing college athletes to receive compensation for their NIL rights, marking a pivotal victory for college athletes that continues to have significant implications.

From initial case investigations through trial, Swathi has represented the firm's clients in all aspects of litigation. Swathi currently serves as Court-appointed Co-Lead Counsel in *In re RealPage, Inc., Rental Software Antitrust Litigation*, where she represents a class of renters who are alleged to have been harmed by algorithmic price-fixing in the multifamily rental market. Swathi has represented hundreds of patients in wide-ranging healthcare mass torts, and she has also fought for victims of data breaches and privacy violations, challenging retailers, health insurance providers, restaurant chains, and financial institutions for their inadequate security measures.

At Hausfeld, Swathi leads the firm's Community Services Committee and serves on the US Hiring Committee. Prior to joining Hausfeld, Swathi worked on several presidential campaigns and in the U.S. Senate, both for then-Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton and as a law clerk to the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee.

Clients

Swathi has litigated a variety of other cases across the legal spectrum, securing favorable results for her clients. In the antitrust realm, she has represented both individual and class clients in the health insurance, transportation, and financial services sectors seeking to recover damages from price-fixing and market allocation cartels. As an avid sports fan, Swathi has relished the opportunity to represent current and former athletes as they seek fair treatment for the dedication they put into the game.

Swathi has also represented small credit unions, banks, and consumers across the country who have suffered damages as a result of data breaches at companies including Target, Home Depot, Wendy's, and ParkMobile. Through her work on these cases, she has developed an expertise in data breach law and has helped to design and implement unique settlement frameworks in this developing area of law.

EDUCATION

Georgetown University Law Center, J.D., 2011

Brown University, B.A., Human Biology & Public Policy, 2007

BAR ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia

New York

District Court for the District of Columbia

District Court for the Southern District of New York

Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals

AFFILIATIONS

Brown University Alumni Interviewing Program - Washington, D.C., Chair (2012-present)

Brown University Women's Leadership Council, Member (2016-present)

Changing Perceptions, Board of Directors (2016-present)

Georgetown Journal of Law and Public Policy, Managing Editor (2010-2011)

Georgetown Law's Institute for Public Representation, a civil rights clinic, where she previously worked on Title VII litigation in the D.C. District Court

Law360 Sports Editorial Advisory Board, Member (2019)

U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee, Clerk

WHAT OTHERS SAY

American Antitrust Institute

- Outstanding Antitrust Litigation Achievement in Private Law Practice, an honor she received three times:
 - As part of the *In re* Blue Cross Blue Shield Antitrust Litigation case team in 2021
 - As part of the *In re* Municipal Derivatives Antitrust Litigation case team in 2016
 - As part of the *O'Bannon v. NCAA* case team in 2015

Benchmark Litigation

- 40 & Under List since 2023
 - Antitrust/Competition

Best Lawyers

- Best Lawyer since 2025
 - Mass Tort Litigation/Class Action - Plaintiffs

Chambers and Partners

- Up and Comer, Washington D.C. Antitrust: Mainly Plaintiff - in 2025

Global Competition Review

- Litigation of the Year - Cartel Prosecution in 2021: an honor she received as part of the *In re* Blue Cross Blue Shield Antitrust Litigation case team.
- Litigation of the Year - Non-Cartel Prosecution in 2015: an honor she received as part of the *O'Bannon v. NCAA* case team.

Lawdragon

- 500 Leading Plaintiff Financial Lawyers since 2019
- 500 Leading Litigators in America in 2022
- 500 Leading Plaintiff Consumer Lawyers in 2024

Litigation Counsel of America

- Selected Fellow since 2019

Super Lawyers

- Rising Star, Antitrust Litigation in Washington, DC since 2016

Other

- Rising Star Under 40, Sports Law by Law360 in 2016
- Minority Business Leader by The Washington Business Journal in 2016 - an honor held for the top 25 Greater Washington leaders who embody entrepreneurial drive, creativity and success in business.
- Litigation of the Year - Non-Cartel Prosecution: an honor she received by the Global Competition Review as part of the *O'Bannon v. NCAA* case team in 2015

EXPERIENCE

Antitrust/Competition

- *In re Blue Cross Blue Shield Antitrust Litigation* – In one of the largest and most complex antitrust class action cases ever litigated, Swathi 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 Municipal Derivatives Litigation* – Swathi worked as part of a team that secured nearly \$250 million in settlements for a class of municipalities affected by alleged bid-rigging in the market for municipal bonds.
- *In re Air Cargo Shipping Services Antitrust Litigation* – Swathi joined the trial team to prepare for trial against the final four defendants in a worldwide conspiracy to fix fuel surcharge on air cargo; her work assisted in driving settlements with the final defendants totaling nearly \$200 million. In 2016, she was recognized for her work in this, and the above-mentioned Municipal Derivatives case, at the American Antitrust Institute Enforcement Awards, where she won two of the three awards for “Outstanding Antitrust Litigation Achievement in Private Law Practice.”
- *In Re: RealPage, Inc., Rental Software Antitrust Litigation* – Hausfeld serves as co-lead counsel in the federal antitrust class action against RealPage, Inc. and several of their property management clients, alleging that the Defendants, some of the largest owners and managers of rental real estate in the United States, conspired to use RealPage’s so-called “revenue management” service to set rental prices and restrict the supply of available rental units in major metropolitan areas across the United States.
- *Yelp v. Google* - Hausfeld represents Yelp in an antitrust lawsuit alleging that Google has unlawfully monopolized or attempted to monopolize the markets for local search services and local search advertising. The case challenges Google’s self-preferencing behavior and its leveraging of dominance in general search services to prioritize its own local search results over Google’s own organic search results.

Environmental & Product Liability

- *Bowman et al. v. St. Joseph's Medical Center et al.* – Swathi participated in a mass tort action arising from the placement of unnecessary stents in patients at a Baltimore-area hospital, which culminated in a month-long jury trial in Maryland state court and a global resolution compensating over 240 affected patients.

Sports & Entertainment

- *Dryer et al. v. National Football League* – Swathi represented a class of retired NFL players whose names, images, and likenesses were being used in NFL Films features. She was involved in negotiating a \$50 million settlement agreement, which created a Greater Good Fund to provide health and welfare programs to former NFL players and also established a licensing agency, in partnership with IMG, to help former players market their names, images, and likenesses. After this novel settlement was reached, Swathi continued to advise the Court-appointed Board of Directors on implementation of the settlement agreement.
- *O'Bannon v. NCAA* – Swathi represented a class action on behalf of current and former Division I men's basketball and FBS football players against the NCAA and its member institutions based on rules foreclosing athletes from receiving compensation for the use of their names, images, and likenesses. In 2014, plaintiffs completed a three-week bench trial in which Swathi was part of a trial team that successfully obtained class injunctive relief allowing college athletes to receive compensation for their NIL rights, a landmark victory for college athletes.

Technology & Data Breach

- *In re Premiera Blue Cross Customer Data Breach Litigation* – Represented Premiera health insurance customers whose confidential medical information was accessed during an extended breach. A \$74 million settlement including a \$32 million settlement fund was granted final approval in March 2020.
- *In re Arby's Restaurant Group, Inc. Data Security Litigation* – Representing financial institutions who were forced to cancel compromised cards, issue refunds due to fraudulent transactions, stop and block unauthorized transactions on their customers' accounts, and increase fraud monitoring because of the breach. A \$5 million+ settlement was preliminarily approved in March 2020.
- *First Choice Federal Credit Union v. The Wendy's Company et al* – Represented financial institutions who have had to pay to replace credit cards and cover fraud losses sustained by customers as a result of a data breach at Wendy's franchisees. A \$50 million settlement was granted final approval in November 2019.
- *In re The Home Depot, Inc. Customer Data Breach Litigation* – Represented financial institutions who had to pay to replace credit cards and cover fraud losses sustained by customers as a result of a data breach at Home Depot affecting 56 million people. A \$25 million settlement was granted final approval in September 2017.
- *In re Target Corporation Customer Data Security Breach Litigation* – Represented financial institutions who had to pay to replace credit cards and cover fraud losses sustained by customers as a result of a data breach at Target which exposed 40 million debit and credit card accounts. This case resulted in a ground-breaking \$60 million+ total settlement.

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OVERVIEW

Gary is an acclaimed litigator, focusing his practice on complex federal antitrust cases. Gary has successfully litigated cases involving monopolistic and cartel activity in a wide range of industries in district courts throughout the country and, when necessary, defended his victories on appeal to the circuit courts and the Supreme Court of the United States. All told, over the past decade Gary has recovered over \$1.5 billion for the victims of antitrust violations. For this work, *The Legal 500* identified Gary as a “key name in California” for antitrust litigation and described him as “an outstanding antitrust lawyer,” “creative and intellectually nimble” in crafting antitrust theories, “a practical and effective litigator,” “a pleasure to work with,” and “a very skilled advocate” that “takes his professional and ethical obligations seriously.” Gary has received similar recognition over the years from Benchmark Litigation, Best Lawyers, Super Lawyers, Law360, The Legal Intelligencer, the American Antitrust Institute, and jurists presiding over his cases.

Gary is also committed to legal scholarship and the development of the antitrust laws. Gary has authored numerous articles on competition issues and the legal profession, including, most notably, contributing to the Eighth Edition and the upcoming Tenth Edition of the ABA Antitrust Section’s seminal publication, *Antitrust Law Developments*. And as a former Chair of the Committee to Support the Antitrust Law’s (COSAL) Amicus Committee, Gary has authored or contributed to over a dozen amicus filings across the circuit courts and in the Supreme Court seeking to advance pro-enforcement competition law policies.

Gary is also committed to providing *pro bono* services. Of particular import, before moving to California, Gary spent years representing victims of clergy sexual abuse that received settlement offers from the Philadelphia Archdiocese. As a result, Gary was a recipient of the Philadelphia Bar Foundation’s 2019 Pro Bono Award.

Clients

Gary counts among his clients hospitals and hospital systems, pediatricians, dentists and dental laboratories, universities, local governments, investment and pension funds, advertising agencies, consumers, and farmers.

EDUCATION

Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law at Arizona State University, J.D., 2011
University of Arizona, B.S.B.A. in Business Economics, 2008

BAR ADMISSIONS

Pennsylvania

United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania

Arizona

United States District Court for the District of Arizona

California

United States District Court for the Southern District of California

United States District Court for the Central District of California

United States District Court for the Northern District of California

United States District Court for the District of Colorado

United States District Court for the Eastern District of Oklahoma

United States District Court for the Middle District of Tennessee

United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit

United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit

United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit

United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit

United States Supreme Court

AFFILIATIONS

California Lawyers Association - Antitrust and Unfair Competition Law Section, Executive Committee Member (2023 - Present)

Committee to Support the Antitrust Laws - Amicus Committee, Chair (2020-2022)

WHAT OTHERS SAY

Courts

"[A]s I have stated before, based on my own observation over the course of nearly eight years, I find counsel to be skilled and experienced and find that they have zealously represented the interests of the plaintiffs and the settlement class."

- Comments of Chief Judge Robert J. Shelby during the Final Approval Hearing in *In re Broiler Chicken Grower Antitrust Litigation* (No. II), where Gary successfully argued for final approval of the \$100 million settlement with Pilgrim's Pride Corp.

"This is a substantial recovery that has the deterrent effect that class actions are supposed to have, and I think it was done because we had really good Plaintiffs' Lawyers in this case who were running it."

- Comments of Judge Brian M. Cogan during the Final Approval Hearing in *In re Dental Supplies Antitrust Litigation*, where Gary successfully argued for final approval of the \$80 million settlement with Defendants Henry Schein, Inc., Patterson Companies, Inc., and Benco Dental Supply Co.

Legal 500

"Gary Smith is an outstanding antitrust lawyer." (Legal 500 US, Antitrust - Civil Litigation/Class Action: Plaintiff, 2025)

"Gary Smith is a very talented, ethical lawyer." (Legal 500 US, Antitrust - Civil Litigation/Class Action: Plaintiff, 2024)

"Gary Smith is a very smart lawyer, that is a very skilled advocate, who, while representing his clients' interests vigorously, takes his professional and ethical obligations seriously." (Legal 500 US, Antitrust - Civil Litigation/Class Action: Plaintiff, 2023)

"Gary Smith is a pleasure to work with. He is creative and intellectually nimble in crafting antitrust theories and legal arguments. He is also a practical and effective litigator." (Legal 500 US, Antitrust - Civil Litigation/Class Action: Plaintiff, 2023)

American Antitrust Institute

- Recipient of Award for Outstanding Antitrust Litigation Achievement in Private Law Practice in 2025 for *In re Broiler Chicken Grower Antitrust Litigation*
- Recipient of Award for Outstanding Antitrust Litigation Achievement in Private Law Practice in 2023 for *In re Broiler Chicken Grower Antitrust Litigation*

Best Lawyers

- Ones to Watch in 2025
 - Antitrust Law
 - Litigation - Antitrust

Benchmark Litigation

- 40 & Under List since 2023
 - Antitrust/Competition

Law360

- Rising Star Under 40, Healthcare Law in 2017

Super Lawyers

- Rising Star, Antitrust Litigation in Pennsylvania (2017 - 2022)
- Super Lawyer, Antitrust Litigation in Pennsylvania in 2023
- Super Lawyer, Antitrust Litigation in Northern California since 2024

The Legal Intelligencer

- Pennsylvania Trailblazer in 2019

Other

- Pro Bono Award of the Philadelphia Bar Foundation: an honor received by Gary and the firm's Philadelphia office in 2019.

EXPERIENCE

Antitrust/Competition

- *In Re: RealPage, Inc., Rental Software Antitrust Litigation* (M.D. Tenn.) – In which Gary developed and filed the first complaint in the nation challenging so-called “algorithmic collusion,” bringing claims against RealPage, Inc. and several of their property management clients, alleging that the largest owners and managers of rental real estate in the United States conspired to use RealPage’s “revenue management” service to set rental prices and restrict the supply of available rental units in major metropolitan areas across the United States. The case has resulted in over \$140 million in settlements and continues against twenty remaining landlord defendants in addition to RealPage, Inc.
- *In re LIBOR-Based Financial Instruments Antitrust Litigation* (S.D.N.Y.) – in which Gary certified a class of purchasers of over-the-counter (OTC) financial instruments with interest payments tied to the London Interbank Offering Rate (LIBOR) challenging the collusive manipulation of U.S. Dollar LIBOR by the world’s largest financial institutions. The collusion is claimed to have suppressed the U.S. Dollar LIBOR rate, which allowed the defendant banks to benefit financially to the detriment of their counterparties in OTC financial instruments such as swaps and bonds. The case has resulted in \$781 million in settlements with twelve banks, and continues against the remaining five defendant banks.
- *In re Broiler Chicken Grower Antitrust Litigation* (E.D. Okla.) – in which Gary certified a nationwide class of broiler chicken farmers (referred to as “Growers”) claiming that over twenty of the country’s largest poultry producers, including Tyson, Pilgrim’s, Perdue, Koch Foods, and Sanderson Farms colluded to suppress Grower pay through agreements not to recruit, solicit, or “poach” one another’s Growers and through comprehensive and systematic exchanges of Grower compensation information. Settlements have been reached with Tyson (\$21 million), Perdue (\$14.75 million), Koch Foods (\$15.5 million), Sanderson Farms (\$17.75 million), and Pilgrim’s Pride (\$100 million) totaling \$169 million.
- *In re Dental Supplies Antitrust Litigation* (E.D.N.Y.) – In which a proposed class of private dental practices claimed that the four major distributors of dental products and equipment conspired to fix margins, divide markets and allocate customers, and orchestrate industry boycotts of lower-priced, innovative rivals. Gary beat the Federal Trade Commission (“FTC”) to the courthouse by almost two years, with the FTC filing a related lawsuit against the dental distributor companies well after the private plaintiffs first initiated their action, borrowing legal theories first investigated and advanced by the private plaintiffs. The private plaintiffs’ action was settled just minutes before a class certification and Daubert hearing was set to commence for \$80 million.
- *Adriana M. Castro, M.D., P.A. v. Sanofi Pasteur Inc.* (D.N.J.) – In which Gary certified a class of wholesalers, hospitals, and physicians that purchased Sanofi’s quadrivalent conjugate meningococcal vaccine (MCV4) Menactra (a vaccine for Meningitis) claiming that Sanofi monopolized the MCV4 market by threatening large price penalties across Sanofi’s broad line of pediatric vaccines if pediatricians purchased MCV4 vaccines from Sanofi’s only MCV4 rival, Novartis’s Menveo. The suit claimed that Sanofi’s conditional pricing practices had the purpose and effect of foreclosing Sanofi’s only MCV4 rival from the market, allowing Sanofi to continue to charge monopoly prices for Menactra. The case settled in December 2016 for \$61.5 million.
- *In re Transpacific Passenger Air Transportation Antitrust Litigation* (N.D. Cal.) – In which Gary certified a class of consumers of transpacific passenger air travel that claimed that thirteen airlines conspired to fix the prices of certain air fares and fuel surcharges. The last of the thirteen defendants settled on the eve of trial for \$58 million, bringing the total settlements in the case to over \$147 million.

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OVERVIEW

Mindee J. Reuben is a partner in Hausfeld's Philadelphia office, where she specializes in representing plaintiffs in complex antitrust and consumer class action matters across the United States. She frequently serves as lead, co-lead, and liaison counsel in high-profile, multi-jurisdictional litigation, with a track record of successful settlements and strategic case management. Recognized by *Super Lawyers* and *Philadelphia Magazine* as one of Pennsylvania's top lawyers, Mindee has been repeatedly named by *Super Lawyers* to their Top 50 Women in Pennsylvania, Top 100 in Pennsylvania, and Top 100 in Philadelphia lists. She is also consistently listed in *The Best Lawyers in America* and honored by *Chambers and Partners USA* for her antitrust litigation expertise.

Mindee is currently involved in several plaintiff class action matters, including *In re: Generic Pharmaceutical Pricing Antitrust Litigation*; *In re: Concrete and Cement Additives Antitrust Litigation*; *Juan Anaya et al. v. Cencora, Inc., et al.* (data breach case); and *In re Wawa, Inc. Data Security Litig.* (data breach case).

Mindee has held leadership or other significant roles in numerous federal antitrust matters including, *In re Processed Egg Products Antitrust Litigation* (Co-Lead and Liaison Counsel, \$130 million settlement); *In re Blue Cross Blue Shield Antitrust Litigation* (Subscriber Track) (Trial Plan Committee, \$2.67 billion settlement); *In re Broiler Chicken Antitrust Litigation* (Direct Purchaser Class) (Deposition and Trial Team, \$284 million settlement); and *In re Polyurethane Foam Antitrust Litigation* (Executive Committee, \$147 million settlement).

Other antitrust cases of note in which Mindee previously had significant involvement include, *In re Pork Antitrust Litig.* (Direct Purchaser Class); *In re: Hard Disk Drive Suspension Assemblies Antitrust Litig.* (Reseller Class); *In re: Fragrance Indirect Purchaser Antitrust Litig.* (Producer Indirect Class).

Mindee has also served as class counsel on federal and state law matters such as in the consumer actions of *Fritzinger v. Angie's List* and as co-lead counsel in *Stone v. Stewart Title Guaranty Co.*, both of which resulted in highly favorable settlements for the class.

Clients

Mindee represents plaintiffs in a wide range of industries, including pharmaceuticals, healthcare, technology, consumer goods, and data security. She has served as lead, co-lead, and liaison counsel in high-profile antitrust and consumer class action cases, advocating for both direct and indirect purchasers impacted by anticompetitive practices. Mindee's clients include individuals, classes, and large corporations who have been affected by price-fixing, monopolistic behavior, and other antitrust violations. Her work spans multi-jurisdictional litigation, and she is deeply committed to securing favorable outcomes and substantial settlements for her clients.

EDUCATION

University of Pittsburgh, J.D.
University of Pittsburgh, M.P.A.
Indiana University, B.A.

BAR ADMISSIONS

Pennsylvania
New Jersey
S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit
S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania
S. District Court, Western District of Pennsylvania
S. District Court, District of New Jersey
U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois

AFFILIATIONS

American Bar Association - Antitrust Law Section, Member
American Bar Association - Antitrust Law Section, Member, Competition/Consumer Protection Policy Task Force
American Bar Association - Antitrust Law Section, Member, North American Comments Task Force
Federal Courts Committee, Member
Philadelphia Bar Association, Vice Chair, Bench Bar and Annual Meeting
Philadelphia Bar Association, Chair, Women's Rights Committee
Temple University James E. Beasley School of Law, Adjunct Professor of Law
Temple University James E. Beasley School of Law, Women's Law Caucus, Law Student Mentor
University of Pennsylvania School of Law, Lecturer in Law, LL.M. Program
Women Antitrust Plaintiffs' Attorneys, Founding Member

WHAT OTHERS SAY

Best Lawyers

- Best Lawyer since 2018
 - Antitrust Law
 - Litigation - Antitrust

Chambers and Partners

- Band 3, Antitrust – Pennsylvania since 2024
- Band 1, Litigation: Mainly Plaintiff - Pennsylvania in 2026
- Described as “a brilliant lawyer and very hard-working” by peers

Philadelphia Magazine

- Philadelphia Magazine has repeatedly named Mindee as one of Pennsylvania's top lawyers in the field of antitrust

Super Lawyers

- Top 50 Women Pennsylvania Super Lawyers® in 2011-2012 and again since 2023
- Pennsylvania Super Lawyer since 2009
- Super Lawyer Rising Stars in 2005 – 2008

Antitrust/Competition

- *In Re: RealPage, Inc., Rental Software Antitrust Litigation* – Hausfeld serves as co-lead counsel in the federal antitrust class action against RealPage, Inc. and several of their property management clients, alleging that the Defendants, some of the largest owners and managers of rental real estate in the United States, conspired to use RealPage’s so-called “revenue management” service to set rental prices and restrict the supply of available rental units in major metropolitan areas across the United States.
- *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.
- *In re Generic Pharmaceuticals Pricing Antitrust Litigation* – Representing end-payer plaintiffs against some of the largest generic pharmaceutical companies in the world for their industry-wide coordination to inflate prices, divvy up the markets, and block competition. Mindee serves as a court-appointed member of the Plaintiffs’ Steering Committee.
- *Korean Publishers Association, et al. v. Apple Inc.* – Hausfeld represents two trade associations, U.S. app developers, and Korean developers in an antitrust lawsuit against Apple, alleging monopolization of the markets for app distribution and in-app payment processing in violation of U.S. and foreign law. This case follows a bench trial by Epic Games finding that Apple engaged in unfair competition.
- *CD Reiss, et al. v. Audible, Inc.* – Part of the team representing audiobook authors, publishers, and other rights holders in an antitrust class action against Audible, Inc. over its alleged monopolization of the audiobook retail distribution market.
- Prior to joining Hausfeld, Mindee represented clients in the following notable actions:
 - *In re Processed Egg Products Antitrust Litigation* – Represented egg purchasers alleging egg producers and distributors entered into an unlawful agreement to restrict egg supplies, resulting in a \$130 million settlement (Co-Lead and Liaison Counsel).
 - *In re Blue Cross Blue Shield Antitrust Litigation (Subscriber Track)* – Represented subscribers alleging dozens of Blue Cross Blue Shield entities entered into an unlawful agreement not to compete, resulting in a \$2.67 billion settlement (Trial Plan Committee).
 - *In re Broiler Chicken Antitrust Litigation (Direct Purchaser Class)* – Represented a certified class of broiler chicken farmers claim that over twenty of the country’s largest poultry producers, including Tyson, Pilgrim’s, Perdue, Koch Foods, and Sanderson Farms colluded to suppress Grower pay through agreements not to recruit, solicit, or “poach” one another’s Growers and through comprehensive and systematic exchanges of Grower compensation information, resulting in a \$284 million settlement (Deposition and Trial Team).
 - *In re Polyurethane Foam Antitrust Litigation (Direct Purchaser Class)* – Represented a certified class of direct purchasers of polyurethane foam against eleven defendant manufacturers which resulted in a \$147 million settlement (Executive Committee).

Technology & Data Breach

- *Juan Anaya et al. v. Cencora, Inc., et al.* – Representing a class of a class of plaintiffs whose private information was stolen from Cencora and other drug companies during a data breach.
- *In re Wawa, Inc. Data Security Litigation* – Mindee served as liaison counsel and settlement class counsel for a proposed class of financial institutions alleging the convenience-store chain’s negligence resulted in a massive data breach, compromising more than 30 million payment cards used at up to 850 store locations on the East Coast.

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OVERVIEW

Mary is an Associate based in Hausfeld's New York office. Mary focuses on complex litigation and has experience supporting matters across a range of substantive areas. Her work includes drafting memoranda and motions, managing discovery, and analyzing legal and procedural issues in federal courts.

Mary has experience supporting all phases of litigation, including fact and expert discovery, drafting dispositive motions, and preparing briefing. She has also conducted legal research on constitutional and civil rights issues and contributed to appellate advocacy efforts.

Prior to joining Hausfeld, Mary worked as an Associate at a plaintiff-side law firm, where she represented consumers in complex antitrust matters. She also served as a Law Clerk to the Honorable Pamela Harris of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. Earlier in her career, she held positions with civil rights and public interest organizations, including the American Civil Liberties Union and the NAACP Legal Defense Fund, where she worked on matters involving education, voting rights, and racial and gender-based discrimination.

EDUCATION

Harvard Law School, J.D., 2022

Harvard College, B.A. in Government, *cum laude* and high honors, 2017

BAR ADMISSIONS

Massachusetts

New York

AFFILIATIONS

American Bar Association - Antitrust Section, Member (2026)

EXPERIENCE

Antitrust/Competition

- *In Re: RealPage, Inc., Rental Software Antitrust Litigation* – Hausfeld serves as co-lead counsel in the federal antitrust class action against RealPage, Inc. and several of their property management clients, alleging that the Defendants, some of the largest owners and managers of rental real estate in the United States, conspired to use RealPage's so-called "revenue management" service to set rental prices and restrict the supply of available rental units in major metropolitan areas across the United States.
- *In re Automatic Card Shufflers Litigation* – Represents a class of casino operators that purchased automated deck shufflers at an artificially high price because of defendants' monopolization of the market. Plaintiffs allege defendants monopolized the market for automated card shufflers through abuse of the patent system and judicial process to exclude and drive out competitors.
- *Phhhoto, Inc. v. Meta Platforms, Inc.* (F/K/A Facebook, Inc.) – Hausfeld represents PHHHOTO Inc., an upstart photo app that alleges Facebook engaged in an anticompetitive course of conduct to force PHHHOTO out of business.

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OVERVIEW

Sam is an associate in Hausfeld's San Francisco office. His practice focuses on complex federal antitrust matters. Sam has been involved in litigating cases alleging anticompetitive monopolization, conspiracies to restrain trade and monopolize, and tying and exclusive dealing arrangements. His focus in redressing anticompetitive conduct has led him to represent clients in the health care, technology, rental housing, and sports industries. His experience at Hausfeld spans every stage of trial litigation, including discovery and depositions, class certification, summary judgment, and trial. Outside of case-related work, Sam is an active member of the firm's Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee as well as the Summer Associate Hiring Committee.

Prior to joining Hausfeld, Sam was an associate at a defense firm where he represented attorneys and doctors. His experience comprised all stages of trial litigation and has helped him understand the mindset on both sides of a dispute.

During law school, Sam externed for the Federal Trade Commission, Bureau of Competition, for the U.S. House of Representatives in the office of Congresswoman Katie Porter, and for the Superior Court of Santa Barbara with the Honorable Brian Hill.

Clients

Sam's clients include classes of individual consumers and renters, bars, restaurants, gas stations, hospitals, and surgery centers.

EDUCATION

University of California, Irvine School of Law, J.D., 2020

University of California, Santa Barbara, B.A., Economics, *High Honors*, 2015

BAR ADMISSIONS

California

AFFILIATIONS

American Bar Association - Antitrust Section, Member

California Antitrust and Unfair Competition Law treatise, Editor (2025)

California Lawyers Association - Antitrust and Unfair Competition Law Section, Member

EXPERIENCE

Antitrust/Competition

- *In re NFL's Sunday Ticket Antitrust Litigation* – Sam was part of a trial team representing 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 Da Vinci Surgical Robot Antitrust Litigation* – certified class action alleging that Intuitive Surgical engages in an anticompetitive scheme pursuant to which it ties the purchase or lease of its da Vinci surgical robot to the additional purchase of da Vinci maintenance and repair services, including the repair and replacement of the surgical system's EndoWrists.
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- *In re Apple App Developer Antitrust Litigation* – Hausfeld represents two trade associations, U.S. app developers, and Korean developers in an antitrust lawsuit against Apple, alleging monopolization of the markets for app distribution and in-app payment processing in violation of U.S. and foreign law. This case follows a bench trial by Epic Games finding that Apple engaged in unfair competition.
- *Korean Publishers Association, et al. v. Google LLC* – Hausfeld represents two trade associations, U.S. app developers, and Korean developers in an antitrust lawsuit against Google, alleging monopolization of the markets for app distribution and in-app payment processing in violation of U.S. and foreign law. This case builds upon Hausfeld's successful resolution of claims by a class of smaller US app developers and a jury verdict in favor of Epic Games finding Google's conduct to be anticompetitive.

Technology & Data Breach

- *In re Wawa, Inc. Data Security Litigation* – proposed class of financial institutions alleging the convenience-store chain's negligence resulted in a massive data breach, compromising more than 30 million payment cards used at up to 850 store locations on the East Coast.

MANDY BOLTAX

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OVERVIEW

Mandy's practice focuses on holding powerful institutions to account in complex civil litigation matters involving antitrust, competition, privacy, and civil and human rights disputes. Mandy earned her J.D. from Duke University School of Law, where she was an academic writer and legal historical researcher, with a focus on the civil rights era, the pernicious conservative origins of the Chicago School Economics and its impact on the American antitrust doctrine, and race, poverty, and law. Additionally, Mandy externed as a judicial law clerk at the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia with the Honorable Royce C. Lamberth.

Before law school, Mandy worked for several years as a full-stack software engineer, programming mobile and web applications. She worked with several small tech start-ups, tackling diverse issues, such as food justice and sustainability, educational access, and animal welfare.

In 2023, Mandy was recognized in the Unconventional Award category, an award given to those persons who stand out from the pack by taking a different approach to litigation or problem-solving, one of five award categories that make up the Hausfeld Values Awards, an annual recognition program that highlights the achievements of Hausfeld team members based on their significant contributions made and results achieved over the prior calendar year.

Working towards a diverse, equitable, and inclusive world is paramount to Mandy who is an active member of our LGBTQ+ Alliance working group.

EDUCATION

Duke University School of Law, J.D., 2022

Binghamton University, State University of New York, B.S., Computer Science, B.A. Creative Writing, 2015

BAR ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia

Oregon

AFFILIATIONS

American Bar Association - Antitrust Section, Member (2022)

Duke Center on Law and Technology, Access to Justice Technology Fellow (2020)

Duke Law Anti-Racism Project, Student Leader and Co-Founder (2020-2021)

National Lawyers Guild, Legal Observer (2020-2022)

The Beat Within at Rivarde Juvenile Detention Center, Workshop Leader and Community Outreach Coordinator (2018-2019)

WHAT OTHERS SAY

National Law Journal

- Elite Trial Lawyers, Hausfeld wins Privacy/Data Breach category in 2024

EXPERIENCE

Antitrust/Competition

- *In re LIBOR-Based Financial Instruments Antitrust Litigation* – In which a certified class of purchasers of over-the-counter (OTC) financial instruments with interest payments tied to the London Interbank Offering Rate (LIBOR) are challenging the collusive manipulation of U.S. Dollar LIBOR by the world's largest financial institutions. The collusion is claimed to have suppressed the U.S. Dollar LIBOR rate, which allowed the defendant banks to benefit financially to the detriment of their counterparties in OTC financial instruments such as swaps and bonds. The case has resulted in \$781 million in settlements with twelve banks, and continues against the remaining five defendant banks.
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Human Rights

- *Padre et al. v. MVM* – Hausfeld represents families that were unlawfully separated pursuant to the unconstitutional family separation policy implemented during the first Trump administration. The defendant in this class action lawsuit is MVM, Inc., the private security contractor that transported thousands of migrant children away from their parents. The plaintiffs bring human rights claims for enforced disappearance, torture, and cruel and inhumane treatment under the Alien Tort Statute, among other claims.

Technology & Data Breach

- *In re: Entertainment Partners Data Breach Litig.*, 2:23-cv-06546-CAS-PVC (\$10M settlement reached)
- *In re: Snowflake, Inc. Data Security Breach Litigation*, 2:24-md-03126-BMM (D. Mont.)
- *In re: MOVEit Customer Data Sec. Breach Litig.*, 1:23-md-03083-ADB (D. Mass.)
- *Detrixhe v. Integris Health, Inc.*, CJ-2023-7235 (Dist. Ct. Okl. Cty)
- *Tanya Owens, et. al, v. MGM Resorts International, et. al.*, 2:23-cv-01480-RFB-MDC (D. Nev.)
- *In re Harvard Pilgrim Data Security Incident*, No. 23-11211-NMG (D. Mass.) (tentative settlement reached)
- *In re: Postmeds, Inc., Data Breach Litig.*, No. 4:23-cv-05710-HSG (N.D. Cal.) (\$7.5M settlement pending)
- *Gordon v. Zeroed-In Technologies, LLC*, 1:23-cv-03284-BAH (D. Md.) (pending)
- *In re Enzo Biochem Data Sec. Litig.*, 2:23-cv-04282 (E.D.N.Y.) (tentative settlement reached)
- *Hulewat v. Medical Management Resource Group LLC*, 2:24-cv-00377 (D. Az.) (Plaintiff's Executive Committee)
- *In re PowerSchool Holdings, Inc. and PowerSchool Group Customer Sec. Breach Litig.*, 25-md-3149-BEN-MSB (S.D. Cal.)
- *In re Keffer Development Services, LLC, Data Sec. Breach Litig.*, 2:25-md-03159 (E.D. Mich)

SHAYLA HARRIS

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OVERVIEW

Shayla is an associate in Hausfeld's New York office. Shayla started her career as a Strategy Consultant at Accenture, where she transitioned from working with Fortune 500 companies to collaborating with nonprofit and public sector clients. Her experience serving communities through corporate citizenship efforts inspired her to seek systemic change and transition to a career in law.

While in law school, Shayla was a summer associate at Hausfeld for two years and the recipient of Hausfeld's 1L Diversity Law Fellowship. She was involved in the University of Chicago Law School's Plaintiff Law Association and served as President for the school's Domestic and Sexual Violence Project.

Shayla is also an Executive Board Member of Caring Contact, a crisis prevention center that serves as provider for the national suicide prevention hotline. Shayla is responsible for guiding mission performance and oversees Board recruitment.

EDUCATION

The University of Chicago Law School, J.D., 2024

The University of Chicago, M.A. in Humanities with focus in Cultural Policy, 2018

The University of Chicago, B.A. in Comparative Race & Ethnic Studies, 2018

BAR ADMISSIONS

New York

AFFILIATIONS

American Bar Association, Member (2024 - Present)

EXPERIENCE

Antitrust/Competition

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- *In re Apple Inc., Smartphone Antitrust Litigation* – Hausfeld represents a class of direct purchasers seeking recovery for alleged monopolization of smart phones.

Environmental & Product Liability

- *City of Philadelphia and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania v. Glock, Inc.* – Hausfeld serves as lead counsel to the City of Philadelphia and the Philadelphia District Attorney’s Office, in partnership with the Giffords Law Center, in this consumer-protection action against Glock, Inc. alleging deceptive marketing that promotes illegal “Glock switches” and misleads civilians about the legality of fully automatic weapons, seeking civil penalties, compensatory damages, and equitable relief that addresses the public health and safety harms from machine-gun-enabled gun violence.

JACOB LEIKEN

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OVERVIEW

Jacob is an Associate in Hausfeld's New York office. He brings a combined background in law and technology, with prior professional experience as a software engineer.

Before joining Hausfeld as an Associate, Jacob served as a law clerk and summer associate with the firm, where he supported teams on complex litigation matters across antitrust, human rights, data privacy, and environmental practice areas.

While in law school, Jacob interned with the New York Attorney General's Bureau of Internet and Technology.

Jacob is also committed to public interest advocacy. He has worked to advance access to education, including advocating for special education students in New York City public schools through his participation in an education advocacy clinic and conducting intakes for the Suspension Representation Project.

Before law school, Jacob worked as a software engineer, focusing on large-scale technical projects at a global technology company.

EDUCATION

New York University School of Law, J.D., 2025

Brown University, Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, 2020

BAR ADMISSIONS

New York

AFFILIATIONS

American Bar Association, Member (2025 - Present)

EXPERIENCE

Antitrust/Competition

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- *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.

Human Rights

- *Padre et al. v. MVM* – Hausfeld represents families that were unlawfully separated pursuant to the unconstitutional family separation policy implemented during the first Trump administration. The defendant in this class action lawsuit is MVM, Inc., the private security contractor that transported thousands of migrant children away from their parents. The plaintiffs bring human rights claims for enforced disappearance, torture, and cruel and inhumane treatment under the Alien Tort Statute, among other claims.

Technology & Data Breach

- *Javorsky et al. v. Flock Group, Inc. d/b/a/ Flock Safety*, 4:26-cv-02382 (N.D.Ca.)
- *Williams v. Linerock Investments, Ltd.*, 1:22-cv-02531 (N.D.Ill.)

EXHIBIT 2

EXHIBIT - HAUSFELD LLP
TIME- EEPERS TITLE CURRENT RATE HOURS OR ED LODESTAR

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eran, atie	Partner	\$1,050.00	191.9	\$201,495.00
o edla, Swathi	Partner	\$1,050.00	2862.1	\$3,005,205.00
oltax, Mandy	Associate	\$600.00	896.1	\$537,660.00
ui, oanne	Associate	\$625.00	1541.6	\$963,500.00
Chao, Sophia	Sta Attorney	\$575.00	1907.5	\$1,096,812.50
Chao, Sophia Doc eview	Sta Attorney Doc	\$350.00	1083	\$379,050.00
Dougherty, o ert	Sta Attorney	\$575.00	568.3	\$326,772.50
Dougherty, o ert Doc eview	Sta Attorney Doc	\$350.00	1312.9	\$459,515.00
Durunna, chechi	Sta Attorney	\$575.00	462.6	\$265,995.00
Durunna, chechi Doc eview	Sta Attorney Doc	\$350.00	856.5	\$299,775.00
Furman, Andrea	Sta Attorney	\$600.00	720.5	\$432,300.00
Furman, Andrea Doc eview	Sta Attorney Doc	\$350.00	1442.5	\$504,875.00
Harris, Shayla	Associate	\$525.00	1754.9	\$921,322.50
enney, eannine	Partner	\$1,075.00	15.4	\$16,555.00
Lei en, aco	Associate	\$500.00	351.1	\$175,550.00
Loughran, Thomas	Paralegal	\$400.00	1327.7	\$531,080.00
Maida, Samuel	Associate	\$650.00	1392.9	\$905,385.00
McPhail, Su anne	Paralegal	\$425.00	22.1	\$9,392.50
Oliver, im	Sta Attorney	\$600.00	1005.2	\$603,120.00
Oliver, im Doc eview	Sta Attorney Doc	\$350.00	1960.6	\$686,210.00
eiser, urt	Sta Attorney	\$575.00	18.6	\$10,695.00
eiser, urt Doc eview	Sta Attorney Doc	\$350.00	306.6	\$107,310.00
eu en, Mindee	Partner	\$1,300.00	927.6	\$1,205,880.00
ingeling, Camila	Associate	\$625.00	15.5	\$9,687.50
otich, anice	Summer Associate	\$265.00	29.3	\$7,764.50
Shimi u, Season	Paralegal	\$350.00	13.3	\$4,655.00
Smith, Gary	Partner	\$1,050.00	1019.4	\$1,070,370.00
Trouillot, Sara	Sta Attorney	\$575.00	325.4	\$187,105.00
Trouillot, Sara Doc eview	Sta Attorney Doc	\$350.00	241.9	\$84,665.00
ehmer, Sean	Counsel	\$700.00	478.5	\$334,950.00
TOTAL:			25051.5	\$15,344,652.00

EXHIBIT 3

EXHIBIT - HAUSFELD LLP
CATEGORY HOURS LODESTAR

C	r	H	r	L	d	r
Lead/Liaison/PSC						
Counsel						
Calls/Meeting		322.6		\$247,292.50		
Lead/Liaison/PSC						
Counsel Duties		170.5		\$136,900.00		
Class/Client						
Communications		516		\$296,195.00		
Administrative		130.8		\$60,292.50		
MDL Status						
Conference		8.9		\$5,365.00		
Hearing/Court						
Appearance		66.6		\$57,362.50		
Research		702.9		\$422,637.00		
Discovery		7455.7		\$4,813,730.00		
Doc. Review		7204		\$2,521,400.00		
Litigation Strategy						
Analysis		1541.2		\$1,234,442.50		
Dep						
Prep/Take/Depend		3664.5		\$2,613,097.50		
Pleadings/ Briefs,						
Pretrial Motions,						
Legal		1812.9		\$1,584,140.00		
Computer Software						
Analysis		3.8		\$1,900.00		
Experts/Consultants		358.2		\$273,982.50		
Mediation/Settlement						
		1078.7		\$1,067,505.00		
Trial						
Prep/ Wellwether						
Trial						
Appeal		1.1		\$440.00		
Miscellaneous		13.1		\$7,970.00		
TOTAL:				44		

EXHIBIT 4

EXHIBIT 4 - HAUSFELD LLP
EXPENSE CATEGORY AMOUNT

CATEGORY	AMOUNT
Assessment Fees	\$3,850,000.00
Federal Express/Local Courier	\$1,755.12
Postage Charges	
Facsimile Charges	
Long Distance	
In-House Photocopying	\$931.68
Outside Photocopying	\$1,476.43
Hotels	\$27,422.15
Meals	\$7,250.90
Mileage	
Air Travel	\$39,861.28
Deposition Costs	\$586.10
Lexis/Westlaw	\$26,946.64
Court Fees	\$4,462.13
Witness/Expert Fees	
Investigation Fees/Service Fee	\$2,406.50
Transcripts	\$85.05
Ground Transportation	\$13,042.44
Misc.	\$1,531.81
TOTAL:	\$3,977,758.23