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Lawyers (ACTL). Rivals rate him as “one of the finest criminal antitrust lawyers in the state, if not the country”.

Robert Robertson recently left Kirkland & Ellis LLP to return to the US FTC as a trial attorney. Despite the loss of such a high-profile figure to the public sector, the firm maintains an excellent reputation in the field with respondents to our survey noting, “the firm is very strong in the area” and “all the folks at Kirkland are excellent”.

**James Mutchnik** comes recommended as an “experienced criminal antitrust attorney” and he is a prolific author and orator on the subject. **Andrew Langan** is another K&E partner “at the very top of the profession”. Rated by sources as a “fantastic litigator”, he emerges as one of the most nominated individuals in the state. Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal LLP boasts two vastly experienced practitioners on the following pages – **Robert Joseph** and **Alan Silberman**. “Both excellent lawyers”, they have built up a formidable reputation in the field. Joseph has more than 35 years’ experience litigating and counselling on antitrust, trade and franchising matters and emerges as one of the most respected names in the area. A former chair of the ABA’s section of antitrust law his work on *In re Corrugated Containers Antitrust Litigation* was noted on more than one occasion with one prominent source remarking “he is someone I really enjoy working with.” Silberman chairs the firm’s national antitrust, marketing practice, franchise and distribution group with one respondent to our survey noting, “you can’t go wrong with him.” Silberman has also chaired the ABA’s section of antitrust law and his work in the insurance sector was noted. He is also national counsel to BASF in *In re Prescription Drug Antitrust Litigation* and the related state court actions pending throughout the US.

**Joel Chefitz** joined McDermott Will & Emery LLP from Howrey LLP in January 2007 and heads the Chicago office’s securities litigation practice group. An “intense and talented” litigator, he is said to be “first-rate for antitrust and securities”. Representative clients include

Wyeth, TWA, Chicago Bulls and the state of Illinois to name but a few. Partner **David Marx** heads the firm’s Chicago antitrust and competition group and “does a great job for his clients”. His work in the health-care sector is said to be particularly noteworthy. Winston & Strawn LLP is another firm boasting a strong duo in the final chapter. **Duane Kelley** is a fellow of the ACTL and a “fantastic trial lawyer” according to sources. His work as lead trial counsel in the FTC challenge of Evanston Northwestern Healthcare’s merger with Highland Park Hospital was mentioned to researchers on a number of occasions. **Mark McCareins** is rated as an “outstanding business litigator with a strong antitrust subspecialty”. McCareins is the current vice chair of the advocacy committee of the ABA antitrust section, and representative clients include Abbott Laboratories, Monsanto, Smurfit-Stone Container and Western Union, to name but a few.

**Eimer Stahl Klevern & Solberg LLP** was founded in July 2000 and offers clients high levels of expertise when it comes to complex commercial litigation and counselling. **Nathan Eimer**, one of four founding partners, is “extremely strong” and “an excellent trial lawyer” according to rivals. He focuses his practice on complex litigation and antitrust, including criminal investigations and proceedings. Eimer is currently lead counsel in a multi-district litigation attempting to hold a number of companies liable under the Sherman Act for the activities of OPEC. Fellow founding partner **Andrew Klevern** comes rated as “excellent” and, like Eimer, previously practised at Sidley Austin LLP. Highlights include representing Kimberly-Clark Corporation in its successful defence of a class-action suit alleging price fixing in the sale of commercial tissue products.

Freeborn & Peters LLP is a new entry this year thanks to the strong showing of **Jeffery Cross** and **David Gustman** in the research. Cross works extensively with Canadian companies and represented Falconbridge in the Department of Justice investigation into its proposed merger with Inco. He has also worked on matters

relating to the linen, acid, nickel, oil, petroleum and pharmaceutical sectors and one corporate respondent to our survey recommended him as “an excellent litigator and counsellor”. Gustman chairs the firm’s executive committee and highlights include acting as lead counsel for one of the defendants in *In re Sulfuric Acid Antitrust Litigation*. Sources also recommend him for Hart-Scott-Rodino work.

**Michael Sennett** joined the Chicago office of Jones Day from Bell Boyd & Lloyd LLP in October 2007, leading one rival to note “the firm’s antitrust capabilities in Chicago were significantly strengthened thanks to his hire.” Sennett boasts a “significant practice” and counsels clients on transactions and investigations before the DoJ, FTC and state attorneys general and in antitrust litigation matters. Rated as “a leader in the profession”, he was praised by one corporate source as a “very good guy and a law professor on the side”. Jenner & Block LLP’s antitrust capabilities were enhanced when **Lee Freeman** joined from the antitrust and complex litigation boutique Freeman, Freeman & Salzman. Freeman co-chairs the firm’s antitrust and trade regulation practice and is known as “an excellent plaintiff lawyer”. He is also active on the defence side. **Michael Freed** left Much Shelist Freed Denenberg Ament & Rubenstein PC in January 2007 to found class-action firm Freed Kanner London & Millen. Freed undertakes “mostly plaintiff work and knows his stuff”, according to one leading local corporate source. **Paul Slater** co-founded Sperling & Slater in 1976 and is primarily known for his plaintiff work, although he does undertake defence cases. He is hailed as a “very talented” and “exceptionally smart” lawyer. **William Hannay** at Schiff Hardin LLP was praised as a “very fine antitrust lawyer for both litigation and transactions”. Hannay’s work at the intersection between regulation and antitrust was noted, and the start of 2008 has seen him counselling clients on distribution networks. Representative clients come from industries such as health care, public utilities, printing, steel, pumps, sports teams and steel drums. **Stephen Landes** at Wildman Harrold Allen &