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Stefano Sharma works with clients to assess and navigate transaction-related antitrust risk. He represents a wide array of clients across industries to analyze whether their transactions require Hart-Scott-Rodino filings, and to prepare and submit HSR filings where they are required. Stefano has advocated on behalf of clients before the Federal Trade Commission and the Department of Justice in connection with transactions and investigations. He also counsels on transaction-related antitrust issues such as diligence, pre-closing conduct, information sharing, non-compete agreements, interlocking directorates, and competitor collaboration.

Stefano additionally assists Choate's Private Equity and M&A clients with CFIUS analysis and with the Corporate Transparency Act.

Stefano began his career as a litigator and represented clients of Choate's Litigation Department on disputes involving antitrust laws, breach of contract, trade secret misappropriation, employment laws, and the False Claims Act.

Focus Areas

Private Equity and M&A

Corporate and
Specialty Areas

Representative Engagements

- Represented a leading biotechnology company in obtaining merger clearance for strategic collaboration.
- Represented a leading home services company in obtaining merger clearance for its acquisition.
- Represented multiple private equity funds in their acquisitions or divestitures of portfolio companies in transactions requiring HSR filings.
- Represented former executive in relation to a criminal antitrust case led by the Department of Justice.
- Represented leading private institutions of higher education in Department of Justice antitrust investigations.
- Represented multinational biotechnology company in civil antitrust and trade secret misappropriation lawsuit.

Publications and Presentations

- ["Evolving No-Poach Landscape Requires a Vigilant Eye," author, Law360, September 2019](#)

Professional & Community Involvement

- Member of the Choate's pro bono program, partnering with the EdLaw Project to directly advocate for the educational needs of low-income children in the Boston area
- Member of the Boston Bar Association

Education & Credentials

- Harvard Law School, JD (2017) *Harvard Negotiation Law Review*
- University of Florida, BA (2013)

Admissions

- Massachusetts
- U.S. District Court, Massachusetts