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OVERVIEW

John Susoreny is a member of the firm's antitrust, competition & trade regulation practice group. He focuses on complex civil litigation with a focus on antitrust, cartel and trade regulation and has experience with antitrust disputes and investigations arising in a number of industries, including pharmaceuticals, telecommunications, paper and food products. He has experience in counseling clients on antitrust compliance policies and has performed antitrust compliance audits to assess and improve clients' compliance with antitrust laws. He has extensive experience representing clients in price discrimination, price fixing, market manipulation, bid-rigging, patent licensing, merger, and other restraints of trade and regulatory matters.

John also counsels and guides clients through the process of preparing and obtaining approval of pre-transaction competition filings with the US Department of Justice and the Federal Trade Commission under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act and advises clients regarding antitrust matters that may arise during the transaction process.

In addition, John has considerable experience negotiating and drafting product distribution agreements in various industries. He counsels clients on franchising and distribution matters and on the application of various state and federal laws governing the distribution of products.

John also has extensive experience in providing pro bono legal services, including successfully representing several individuals seeking political asylum in the United States.

In 2016, the K&L Gates Chicago antitrust and competition group was recognized as the “Cartel & Trade Regulation Law Firm of the Year in Illinois” by the international review and assessment programs of both *Corporate INTL Magazine* and Global Law Experts.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to law school, John worked as a commercial real estate broker and real estate analyst. He has experience with mergers, acquisitions and portfolio management for domestic and international companies.

EDUCATION

- J.D., University of Maryland School of Law, 2004 *(cum laude; Notes & Comments Editor, Journal of Healthcare Law and Policy)*
- B.S., Purdue University, 1994

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Illinois
- United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 16 February 2026, California Enacts Uniform Antitrust Premerger Notification Act
- 23 January 2026, FTC Announces New HSR Notification Thresholds for 2026
- 26 February 2025, HSR Overhaul Takes Effect: A New Era For Dealmakers
- 16 January 2025, FTC Announces New HSR Notification Thresholds for 2025
- 17 October 2024, FTC Issues Final HSR Rules Transforming the Merger Review Process
- 20 September 2023, Antitrust and AI: US Antitrust Regulators Increasingly Focused on the Potential Anticompetitive Effects of AI
- 14 November 2019, Government Contractors Beware: DOJ Announces Creation of Interagency Procurement Collusion Strike Force

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Co-author, "Competitive Implications of Pricing Algorithms Under the United States Antitrust Laws," CPI Antirust Chronicle, 28 February 2024
- Co-author, "Ninth Circuit: Apple Case Leads to Additional Clarity on Section 1 Claims," GCR US Courts Annual Review, Ch. 7 (4th ed.), 2023
- "U.S. Courts Annual Review, Ninth Circuit," *Global Competition Review*, 6 July 2020 (co-author)

NEWS & EVENTS

- 12 October 2026, K&L Gates Advises Milliman, Inc. on US$340 Million Sale of Retirement Administration Business to Empower
- 10 September 2026, K&L Gates Advises Cyient on the US$218 Million Acquisition of TAO Digital

- 24 July 2025, K&L Gates Assists Carousel Capital on Sale of Majority Interest in Landscape Workshop to Ares Management Corporation
- 18 March 2025, K&L Gates Advises WesBanco in its Acquisition of Premier Financial Corp.
- 28 January 2025, K&L Gates Advises Universal Stainless and Alloy Products in its Acquisition by Aperam
- 25 July 2024, K&L Gates Advises National Arbitration & Media Holdings, LLC on Investment in Alternative Dispute Resolution Business

OTHER MEDIA MENTIONS

- Mentioned, “CALIFORNIA: Parties Seek to Modify Sealing Procedures,” *Class Action Prospector*, 16 January 2023

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Antitrust and Competition
- Commercial Disputes

INDUSTRIES

- Healthcare