



Jim Herbison

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Jim, co-chair of the firm's Antitrust/Competition Practice, is a proven litigator with over 30 major jury trials, bench trials, and arbitrations under his belt. With extensive experience in the field of antitrust, he is well versed in civil and criminal antitrust litigation, government antitrust investigations, corporate counseling, and the review and clearance of large-scale mergers and acquisitions.

Jim heads the Chicago Litigation Practice and concentrates his practice on complex commercial litigation with an emphasis on civil and criminal antitrust matters.

Jim has represented clients in civil antitrust matters ranging from price fixing and merger enforcement to antitrust issues related to patents. He also has represented clients in connection with criminal price fixing and bid rigging grand juries and internal investigations, as well as various class action lawsuits. Jim has represented a number of trade associations and assisted in ensuring their compliance with the antitrust laws, as well as consulting on antitrust issues in connection with commercial transactions.

Recent Experience

Winston Scores Decisive Victory in Case Against Nation's Largest Credit Reporting and Scoring Companies

Secured Another Massive Summary Judgment Victory in Chickens Price-Fixing Case for Claxton Poultry Farms

United American Healthcare Corp. Sale of Pulse Systems LLC to Heraeus Holding GmbH

Recognitions

Jim was ranked in the 2014–2024 editions of *Chambers USA* as a leader in Antitrust. He was named by *Best Lawyers*® as the 2024 “Lawyer of the Year” in Chicago for Antitrust Law and was also recognized by *The Best Lawyers in America*® for Antitrust Litigation and Antitrust Law (2019–2025). *The Legal 500 US* recognized him as a “Leading Lawyer” for Antitrust Civil Litigation/Class Actions: Defense (2021–2024) and as a “Key Lawyer” for Antitrust: Cartel (2021–2024). He was selected to *Lawdragon*’s “500 Leading Litigators in America” for Complex Commercial Litigation especially Civil & Criminal Antitrust (2023–2025) and *Lawdragon*’s “500 Leading Global Antitrust & Competition Lawyers” (2025). In addition, he was recognized in *Benchmark Litigation US* as an “Illinois Litigation Star” (2020–2025) and a “National Practice Area Star” (2022–2025).

In 2015, Winston & Strawn was named the “Chicago Litigation Department of the Year” for general litigation by *The National Law Journal* and in 2014, was recognized for the same award for white collar defense. Winston & Strawn’s Antitrust/Competition Practice was named “2015 Team of the Year” in cartel defense by *The Legal 500 US*.

Credentials

EDUCATION

Jim received a J.D. from Washington University School of Law in 2001, where he was elected to the Order of the Coif and served as associate editor of the *Washington University Law Quarterly*. He received a B.A. in Economics and Management from Beloit College in 1998, where he was a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

ADMISSIONS

- Florida
- Illinois

Related Insights & News

Jim spoke on a panel titled “Doing Business in a World of Institutional Change,” which was presented at Beloit College in November 2008 as part of the school’s Miller Upton Forum on “The Wealth and Well Being of Nations.”

RECOGNITIONS

Winston & Strawn’s Antitrust Work Shortlisted for Three GCR Awards 2025

FEBRUARY 5, 2025

RECOGNITIONS

Winston Attorneys Featured on the 2025 *Lawdragon* 500 Leading Global Antitrust & Competition Lawyers List
JANUARY 30, 2025

RECOGNITIONS

Winston & Strawn Wins Three 2024 Law360 Practice Group of the Year Awards
JANUARY 20, 2025

RECOGNITIONS

Winston Team Recognized as Runner-Up in Litigator of the Week Column
DECEMBER 3, 2024

ARTICLE

Global Competition Review's Americas Antitrust Review 2025
OCTOBER 30, 2024

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Winston & Strawn Recognized in 2025 *Benchmark Litigation*
OCTOBER 3, 2024

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Winston Attorneys Featured on the 2025 *Lawdragon* 500 Leading Litigators in America List
SEPTEMBER 6, 2024

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Winston Attorneys Recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America*® 2025
AUGUST 15, 2024

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Winston & Strawn Recognized in *The Legal 500 U.S.* 2024
JUNE 12, 2024

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Winston & Strawn Recognized in *Chambers USA* 2024
JUNE 6, 2024

RECOGNITIONS

Winston Shortlisted for *Benchmark Litigation U.S.*'s 2024 Illinois Firm of the Year
JANUARY 8, 2024

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Winston & Strawn Recognized in 2024 *Benchmark Litigation*

OCTOBER 6, 2023

Capabilities

Antitrust/Competition	Litigation/Trials	ERISA Litigation	Antitrust Transactions
Commercial Litigation & Disputes	Government Investigations, Enforcement & Compliance		
Class Actions & Group Litigation	Securities, M&A & Corporate Governance Litigation		
Technology Antitrust			