

Renata B. Hesse

Partner

Antitrust

EXPERIENCE:

Renata Hesse is a partner in the firm's antitrust practice, with a focus on antitrust litigation and counseling.

Having previously served as the chief of the Networks and Technology Enforcement Section of the Department of Justice's Antitrust Division, Renata is considered one of the country's preeminent technology antitrust attorneys. Her experience includes merger and civil non-merger investigations in technology and financial markets, including computer software, payment networks, and electronic trading of securities. She also was responsible for some of the most significant antitrust litigation brought by the Department of Justice in the last decade, including the DOJ's litigation with Oracle Corporation in connection with its proposed acquisition of PeopleSoft and with First Data Corporation in connection with its proposed acquisition of Concord EFS. In addition, Renata worked extensively on the DOJ's litigation against American Airlines for predatory conduct and Microsoft Corporation for illegal maintenance of its monopoly in Intel-compatible PC operating systems. Renata also has analyzed merger investigations in the academic publishing industry and supervised significant investigations in the financial markets, including the review of the New York Stock Exchange's acquisition of Archipelago and NASDAQ's acquisition of Instinet.

Prior to joining the Department of Justice, Renata practiced at Brobeck, Phleger & Harrison LLP in San Francisco, California, where her work primarily focused on complex litigation involving intellectual property and antitrust issues in technology industries.

EDUCATION:

- J.D., University of California, Berkeley, Boalt Hall School of Law, 1990
Executive Editor, The Ecology Law Quarterly; Board Member, The Berkeley Law Foundation
- B.A., Political Science, Wellesley College, 1986
Magna Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa, With Departmental Honors

ASSOCIATIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS:

- Member, American Bar Association

HONORS:

- The Attorney General's Distinguished Service Award, August 31, 2005