

## Taylor M. Owings

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### FOCUS AREAS

Antitrust Civil Enforcement  
Antitrust Compliance and  
Business Strategy  
Antitrust Litigation  
Antitrust Merger Clearance  
Antitrust and Competition  
Antitrust and Intellectual  
Property  
Federal Trade Commission  
Supreme Court and  
Appellate  
Third-Party Merger and  
Non-Merger Antitrust  
Representation

### HIGHLIGHTS

#### ■ Antitrust and Regulatory Leader

As former counsel and chief of staff in the Antitrust Division of the U.S. Department of Justice, Taylor represented the United States in the first major monopolization challenge and first major vertical merger challenge brought in decades.

#### ■ A Recognized Practitioner

Taylor was named a "Next Generation Partner" by *The Legal 500 U.S.* in 2022 and 2023.

### EXPERIENCE

Taylor M. Owings is a partner at Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, where she represents clients in civil merger and non-merger matters both before government agencies and in private litigation. She also counsels clients on the application of antitrust law to their business operations, with an emphasis on issues arising in technology-focused industries.

Prior to joining the firm, Taylor served in the front office of the Antitrust Division of the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) from 2018 to 2021, first as counsel to the Assistant Attorney General and then as chief of staff. She was a key advisor on the application of antitrust law to technology industries, including in the DOJ's review of the business practices of market-leading online platforms and in the application of antitrust law to the exercise of intellectual property rights and standard setting organizations. She was the recipient of both the Assistant Attorney General's Award and the Attorney General's Award for Distinguished Service.

Taylor is intimately familiar with all phases of merger review, drawing on her direct experience reviewing mergers at the DOJ to counsel and represent clients before regulatory agencies. Her experience includes mergers involving vertical theories of harm, the acquisition of a nascent or potential competitor, and the implications of a merger for innovation and data accumulation.

Taylor also has deep experience crafting both trial and appellate strategy in headline-making antitrust and competition litigation, and has argued matters before the U.S. Courts of Appeal for the First and Fourth Circuits.

Upon leaving the DOJ in 2021, Taylor joined Baker Botts as a partner in that firm's Washington, D.C., office.

Earlier in her career, she clerked for the Honorable Douglas H. Ginsburg on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit and for the Honorable Richard J. Leon on the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia.

Taylor is admitted in California and Washington, D.C. She is not admitted in New York, and therefore not yet authorized to practice law in New York.

## CREDENTIALS

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### Education

- J.D., Vanderbilt University Law School, 2013  
*Order of the Coif; Senior Notes Editor, Vanderbilt Law Review; John W. Wade Scholar; Morgan Prize; Gellhorn-Sargentich Award*
- M.Sc., London School of Economics and Political Science, 2010
- A.B., Economics, Harvard University, 2008  
*Magna Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa, George Caspar Homans Prize*

### Associations and Memberships

- Vice Chair, Unilateral Conduct Committee, Section of Antitrust Law, American Bar Association

### Honors

- Recognized as a "Next Generation Partner" by *The Legal 500 U.S.*, 2022-2023

### Admissions

- Bar of the District of Columbia
- State Bar of California
- Not admitted in New York