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PRACTICE AREAS

- Antitrust and Unfair Competition
- Commercial Litigation
- Class Actions
- Antitrust Counseling & Compliance
- Breach of Contract
- Corporate Plaintiff Affirmative Recovery
- eDiscovery
- Indirect and Direct Purchaser Class Actions
- International Competition
- Pandemic Claims and Litigation
- Products Liability

BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

- State Court: California
- U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals: Ninth Circuit
- U.S. District Court: Northern District of California; Central District of California
- Chinese Bar

Qianwei has handled a wide variety of litigation matters, with an emphasis on representing consumers and opt-out claimants in antitrust cartel and monopolization cases. Her antitrust experience covers a wide array of industries such as technology, automotive, transportation, energy, and pharmaceutical. Qianwei has played a primary role in all critical stages of litigation in some of the nation's largest antitrust cases. She routinely works with economic and industry experts on damages and pass-on issues.

Qianwei also has expertise in assessing and pursuing antitrust claims with international components and has collaborated with co-counsel in Canada, China and Europe to obtain recovery for multinational corporations. Her international background and training give her the broad scope and a sophisticated mix of skills necessary to navigate the unique legal and practical challenges that arise in cross-border antitrust and complex commercial disputes.

In addition to her antitrust practice, Qianwei specializes in complex commercial litigation and insurance class action defense. She also has experience providing counseling in data privacy matters. Qianwei is a past chair of the California Lawyers Association Antitrust and Unfair Competition Law Section (f/k/a "Antitrust, UCL and Privacy Section").

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

Antitrust and Unfair Competition

Represents United HealthCare Services, Inc. in an individual antitrust matter against Celgene, alleging it engaged in generic exclusion tactics to maintain its monopoly pricing of the drugs Revlimid and Thalomid (*United HealthCare Services, Inc. v. Celgene Corp.*, No. 0:20-cv-00686-DSD-ECW (D.N.J.))

Represents direct purchasers of premium eyewear in the *Eyewear* antitrust litigation as member of the Executive Committee, alleging EssilorLuxottica's monopolization and price-fixing of premium eyewear sunglasses, spectacle frames and custom lenses (*In Re Eyewear Antitrust Litigation*, No. 1:24-cv-04826-MKV (S.D.N.Y.))

Represents end payors of replacement tires in the *Passenger Vehicle*

EDUCATION

- U.C. Davis, School of Law, J.D., 2005; Articles Editor, *U.C. Davis Law Review*
- University of Maryland, M.A. in Criminology and Criminal Justice, 2002
- Xiamen University, School of Law, China, LL.B. (with honor), 1996

Replacement Tires antitrust litigation as member of the Steering Committee, alleging price-fixing of passenger tires by major tire manufacturers (*In Re: Passenger Vehicle Replacement Tires Antitrust Litigation*, No. 5:24-md-3107-SL (N.D. Ohio))

Represents end users in the *Hard Disk Drive Suspension Assemblies* antitrust litigation as part of the leadership team and is heavily involved in discovery, case management, and overall strategies (*In re: Hard Disk Drive Suspension Assemblies Antitrust Litig.*, No. 19-md-02918-MMC (N.D. Cal.))

Represents end users in the *Packaged Seafood* antitrust litigation and made key contributions to pleading motions, class certification, and expert work. The case led to an exceptional *en banc* ruling by the Ninth Circuit, affirming class certification in *Olean et al. v. Bumble Bee Foods*, 31 F.4th 651 (9th Cir. 2022), which in part paved the way for settlements with all remaining defendants in 2024 (*In Re: Packaged Seafood Products Antitrust Litigation*, No. 15-md-2670-DMS (MSB) (S.D. Cal.))

Represented end users in a massive antitrust litigation which encompassed more than 40 separate actions against more than 160 defendants, alleging price-fixing, bid-rigging, and market allocation conspiracies throughout the auto parts industry; the case settled for more than \$1.2 billion (*In re: Automotive Parts Antitrust Litig.*, No. 12-md-02311 (E.D. Mich.))

Represented end users in the *Cathode Ray Tube* antitrust litigation and worked closely with lead counsel on case discovery, management, prosecution and settlement strategies, resulting in a \$580.75 million cash settlement (*In re: Cathode Ray Tube (CRT) Antitrust Litig.*, No. C-07-5944-SC (N.D. Cal.))

Represented railway industry employee putative class in settlement, alleging the world's largest rail equipment suppliers entered into no-poach agreements to restrain competition and reduce compensation for their railway industry employees; the case settled for \$49 million. (*In re Railway Industry Employee No-Poach Antitrust Litigation*, MDL No. 2850 (W.D. Pa.))

Represented direct purchasers of lithium-ion batteries and assisted co-lead counsel by managing document review on critical elements of proof and by holding primary responsibility for industry expert's discovery

and *Daubert* briefing; the case settled for nearly \$140 million in cash (*In re Lithium Ion Batteries Antitrust Litigation*, No. 13-md-02420 YGR (N.D. Cal.))

Represented end users and played a primary role in key aspects of the *TFT-LCD* antitrust litigation as part of the core team that represented consumer class members, which resulted in a record-breaking \$1.082 billion all-cash settlement (*In re TFT-LCD (Flat Panel) Antitrust Litig.*, No. M 07-1827 SI (N.D. Cal.))

Represented indirect purchasers of rough and polished diamonds against De Beers for fixing diamond wholesale prices, which resulted in a \$295 million cash settlement (*Sullivan v. DB Investments, Inc.*, 667 F.3d 273 (3d Cir. 2011), *cert. denied*, 132 S. Ct. 1876 (U.S. 2012))

Represented consumer class members in the *Static Random Access Memory* antitrust litigation as part of the lead counsel team, resulting in settlements of \$41.3 million (*In re: Static Random Access Memory (SRAM) Antitrust Litig.*, No. C 07-01819 CW (N.D. Cal.))

Business & Commercial Disputes

Consulted on litigation strategies and U.S. privacy law in foreign litigations involving antitrust and privacy claims

Represented property insurers in multi-state class action coverage disputes arising from COVID-19

Advised a multinational food company in an antitrust recovery action on litigation and settlement strategies in the European Union

Represented a multinational energy corporation in an environmental dispute involving remediation cost allocation and obtained favorable result in arbitration

Consulted on cash-out settlement strategies in a dispute involving environmental remediation liabilities between two multinational energy companies

ARTICLES & PRESENTATIONS

"Antitrust Trends and Hot Topics in the U.S.", USC Gould School of Law Quarterly Bay Area Antitrust Discussion Lunar New Year Event, February 22, 2024, Palo Alto, CA, panelist

"Antitrust Ethics in Action", 33rd Annual Golden State Institute of Antitrust (GSI), October 26, 2023, panelist

Antitrust Rule of Reason Handbook, American Bar Association (forthcoming), contributing author

Competition, The Journal of the Antitrust, UCL and Privacy Section of the California Lawyers Association, Vol. 30, Nos. 1-2 (2020), Editor-in-Chief

California Antitrust & Unfair Competition Law (Matthew Bender 2019), Editor-in-Chief and co-author

California Antitrust & Unfair Competition Law (Matthew Bender 2016-2018), Executive Editor and co-author

"Diversity in the Antitrust Bar: Is It Truly A Pipeline Problem?", 31st Annual Golden State Antitrust and Unfair Competition Law Institute, May 5, 2022, presenter

"Demystifying the Mystery: China-related Disputes and Investigations Update", California Lawyers Association, May 17, 2019, presenter

"Look Back, Look Forward: China's Anti-Monopoly Law Enforcement", California Lawyers Association, July 25, 2018, moderator

"Has the Clock Run? – Tolling Rules in Private Antitrust Litigation in the US, EU, and China", American Bar Association, June 28, 2018, presenter

"Judges Panel: Managing Antitrust and Complex Business Trials", 27th Annual Golden State Antitrust, UCL and Privacy Law Institute, October 2017, moderator

"Private Antitrust Actions in China: Statute of Limitations", *ABA Antitrust Section Global Private Litigation Bulletin*, July 2017, co-author

“Understanding and Navigating Cross-Border Privilege Issues”, State Bar of California, May 18, 2017, presenter

“Cross-Border Discovery – A Big Chess Game?”, American Bar Association, April 27, 2017, panelist

“Discovery in International Antitrust Litigation – How to Cross the Border?”, State Bar of California, March 30, 2016, panelist

ABA Section of Antitrust Law, Indirect Purchaser Litigation Handbook, Second Edition (2016), contributing author

“Insurance Chain Reaction from the Tianjin Port Explosion”, *Insurance Law360*, September 29, 2015, author

“A Primer on Insurance Dispute Resolution in China”, *Insurance Law360*, July 14, 2015, co-author

“A Primer on Insurance Underwriting in China”, *Insurance Law360*, June 10, 2015, co-author

“Thinking Globally about Recovery Actions in International Cartel Cases”, *Journal of Antitrust Enforcement*, 3, 363-390 (Oxford University Press 2015), co-author

“Finding Peace When Settling U.S. and EU Price-Fixing Claims”, *Competition Law360*, April 28, 2014, co-author

“Recent Developments: CAFA, Class Certification, and Class Arbitration”, paper for the Second Annual Judicial Education Conference, Dana Point, California, March 16-18, 2014, co-author

“Where to Bring Damages Claims in EU Int’l Cartel Cases?”, *Competition Law360*, February 28, 2014, co-author

“International Cooperation in Private Antitrust Litigation”, paper for the 10th International Cartel Workshop, Rome, Italy, February 19-21, 2014, co-author

“Unique Discovery Challenges in International Cartel Cases”, *Competition Law360*, January 31, 2014, co-author

“Ongoing Tension between Filed-Rate and State-Action Doctrines”,
Competition Law360, July 10, 2013, co-author

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

California Lawyers Association Antitrust and Unfair Competition Law Section,
Vice Chair (2016-2020), Chair (2020-2021), Advisor (2022-present)

American Bar Association, Antitrust Section

Asian American Bar Association

All China Lawyers Association (inactive)

NOTEWORTHY

Appointed as Chair, Antitrust and Unfair Competition Law Section of the
California Lawyers Association (2020-2021 term)

Recognized by *Chambers USA* as “an up-and-coming attorney who advises
clients on sophisticated antitrust litigation”

Recognized as a “Next Generation Lawyer” by *The Legal 500* in 2019-2023

Recognized as a “Next Generation Partner” by *The Legal 500* in 2024

Named among the *Lawdragon* “500 Leading Plaintiff Financial Lawyers” in
2019-2024

Named a Northern California “Rising Star” in 2011–2016, and “Super Lawyer”
in 2017-2024

A member of the core litigation team in *TFT-LCD* that received the 2013 AAI
Honorable Mention for Outstanding Antitrust Litigation Achievement in Private
Law Practice

NEWS

Qianwei Fu Appointed Chair of the CLA Antitrust, UCL and Privacy Section
Executive Committee