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Named to The
American Lawyer's
"Litigators of the
Week"

Michael Krantz represents clients in antitrust and high-stakes complex commercial litigation matters in Colorado and around the country, including on novel and evolving areas of antitrust law such as algorithmic price fixing and student-athlete compensation. He has represented clients across numerous industries—telecommunications, healthcare, financial services, residential real estate, and others. Michael strives relentlessly to advocate for his clients and to craft detail-oriented strategies and solutions for even the most complex problems.

Credentials

Education

Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 2013; *Journal of Criminal Law and Criminology*, Executive Articles Editor

Kenyon College, B.A., *magna cum laude*, 2007; Phi Beta Kappa, highest honors in Political Science

CLERKSHIPS

Summer Law Clerk, Cook County, Illinois State's Attorney's Office

OTHER GOVERNMENT SERVICE

International Paralegal Specialist, U.S. Department of Justice, Office of International Affairs

BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

Colorado

District of Columbia

Illinois

Practices

Antitrust

Commercial Litigation

Investigations

Cases

ANTITRUST

Representing the Southeastern Conference in an antitrust case in Colorado federal court brought by hundreds of class action opt-outs against the NCAA and its five major athletic conferences regarding student-athlete benefits.

Obtained a favorable a settlement for a publicly traded apartment REIT facing antitrust claims as part of a multidistrict litigation that spans 40 states based on the alleged use of pricing algorithms in setting residential rental rates.

Won a favorable result for a multinational insurance company accused of insurance bad faith, intentional interference with a contract, and bid rigging and price fixing in violation of the Colorado Antitrust Act.

Defending a Fortune 500 healthcare company against industry-wide price-fixing and market allocation conspiracy claims.

Representing a national outdoor and sporting goods retailer in multi-district antitrust case alleging price fixing conspiracy.

Successfully represented one of the nation's largest grocery and foodservice distributors as a direct action plaintiff in antitrust litigation concerning broiler chickens.

COMMERCIAL LITIGATION

Briefed, argued, and won a successful summary judgment motion in Delaware for a global communications service provider in a complex contract dispute with a competitor over unpaid service charges.

Represented a Denver-based hedge fund through a two-week arbitration merits hearing in a contractual dispute involving trade secret misappropriation, Colorado Wage Act claims, and retaliation claims.

Won summary judgment for an intellectual property law firm facing legal malpractice claims involving allegations of trade secret misappropriation in the wireless technology space.

Won a \$268 million award for a private equity fund in an international investment treaty arbitration against a government that improperly interfered with the sale of a business.

PRO BONO

Advocated for pro bono clients in cases involving immigration benefits, tenant-landlord disputes, disability benefits, and more.
