

Georgetown University Law Center
Merger Antitrust Law
Professor Dale Collins
Fall 2020
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:00-5:00 pm

CLASS SCHEDULE

Unit 1. Introduction to Merger Antitrust Law: Substance and Process

Class 1	September 1	Tuesday	Introduction to merger antitrust law TransDigm/Takata
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Unit 2. Predicting Merger Antitrust Enforcement Challenges

Class 2	September 3	Thursday	Predicting merger antitrust enforcement challenges DOJ/FTC 2010 Horizontal Merger Guidelines
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Unit 3. The DOJ/FTC Merger Review Process

Class 3	September 8	Tuesday	The Hart-Scott-Rodino Act and merger control filings DOJ/FTC merger investigations
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Unit 4. Merger Antitrust Litigation and Settlements

Class 4	September 10	Thursday	Litigation Settlements
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Unit 5. Hertz/Avis Budget/Dollar Thrifty

Class 5	September 15	Tuesday	The 2010 Hertz/Dollar Thrifty deal
Class 6	September 17	Thursday	Antitrust considerations The 2010 merger agreement The bidding war FTC review and settlement/aftermath

Unit 6. Atlanta Newspaper Merger

Class 7	September 22	Tuesday	Review of homework problem
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Unit 7. Competition Economics

Class 8	September 24	Thursday	Basic concepts
Class 9	September 29	Tuesday	Basic concepts
--	September 30	Wednesday	Economics review session (OPTIONAL)

Unit 8. Sanford Bismark/Mid Dakota Clinic, P.C.

Class 10	October 1	Thursday	Analysis of the Eight Circuit's opinion
Class 11	October 6	Tuesday	Analysis of the Eight Circuit's opinion

Unit 9. H&R Block/TaxACT

Class 12	October 8	Thursday	Analysis of the district court opinion
Class 13	October 13	Tuesday	Analysis of the district court opinion
Class 14	October 15	Thursday	Analysis of the district court opinion
Class 15	October 20	Tuesday	Analysis of the district court opinion

Unit 10. Sysco/U.S. Foods

Class 16	October 22	Thursday	Analysis of the district court opinion
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Unit 11. A Case Study Problem: Ice Cream Merger

Class 17	October 27	Tuesday	Review of Class 17 homework problem
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Unit 12. Staples/Office Depot

Class 18	October 29	Thursday	Analysis of the district court opinion
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Unit 13. Short Horizontal Case Studies

Class 19	November 3	Tuesday	ABI/Grupo Modelo Energy Solutions/Waste Control Specialists Heinz/Beech-Nut
	November 4	Wednesday	Review session (OPTIONAL) GRADED HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT POSTED Due Monday, November 16
Class 20	November 5	Thursday	SGI/Alias/Wavefront Sirius/XM Boston Scientific/CVIS Dollar General/Dollar Tree/Family Dollar

Unit 14. Potential Competition Mergers

Class 21	November 10	Tuesday	Mylan/Perrigo Medtronic/Covidien Mallinckrodt (Questcor)/ Novartis Steris/Synergy Health Nielsen/Arbitron
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Unit 15. Vertical Mergers

Class 22	November 12	Thursday	General Electric/Avio Comcast/NBCUniversal
--	November 16	Monday	GRADED HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT DUE
Class 23	November 17	Tuesday	Review graded homework assignment
Class 24	November 19	Thursday	AT&T/Time Warner
Class 25	November 24	Tuesday	AT&T/Time Warner (con't) Coca-Cola/Coca-Cola Enterprises
	November 26	Thursday	NO CLASS—THANKSGIVING

Unit 16. Sabre/FareLogix

Class 26	December 1	Tuesday	Analysis of the district court opinion
	December 2	Wednesday	OPTIONAL REVIEW CLASS

FINAL EXAM: Monday, December 7 – Thursday, December 17 (5-hour open book take home)