

Georgetown University Law Center
Merger Antitrust Law
Professor Dale Collins
Fall 2021
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:00-5:00 pm

CLASS SCHEDULE

Unit 1. Introduction to Merger Antitrust Law: TransDigm/Takata

Class 1	August 31	Tuesday	TransDigm/Takata case study
Class 2	September 2	Thursday	TransDigm/Takata case study

Unit 2. Predicting Merger Antitrust Enforcement Challenges

Class 3	September 7	Tuesday	Predicting merger antitrust enforcement challenges DOJ/FTC 2010 Horizontal Merger Guidelines
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Unit 3. The DOJ/FTC Merger Review Process

Class 4	September 9	Thursday	The Hart-Scott-Rodino Act and merger control filings DOJ/FTC merger investigations
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Unit 4. Merger Antitrust Settlements

Class 5	September 14	Tuesday	Settlements
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Unit 5. Merger Antitrust Litigation

Class 6	September 16	Thursday	Litigation
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Unit 6. Hertz/Avis Budget/Dollar Thrifty

Class 7	September 21	Tuesday	The 2010 Hertz/Dollar Thrifty deal
Class 8	September 23	Thursday	Antitrust considerations The 2010 merger agreement The bidding war FTC review and settlement/aftermath

Unit 7. Competition Economics

Class 9	September 28	Tuesday	Basic concepts
Class 10	September 30	Thursday	Basic concepts
--	October 1	Friday	Economics review session (OPTIONAL)

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

Class 11	October 5	Tuesday	Analysis of the Eight Circuit's opinion
Class 12	October 7	Thursday	Analysis of the Eight Circuit's opinion
	October 12	Tuesday	NO CLASS (legislative Monday)

Unit 9. H&R Block/TaxACT

Class 13	October 14	Thursday	Analysis of the district court opinion
Class 14	October 19	Tuesday	Analysis of the district court opinion
Class 15	October 21	Thursday	Analysis of the district court opinion
Class 16	October 26	Tuesday	Analysis of the district court opinion

Unit 10. Sysco/U.S. Foods

Class 17	October 28	Thursday	Analysis of the district court opinion
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Unit 11. A Case Study Problem: Ice Cream Merger

Class 18	November 2	Tuesday	Review of Class 18 homework problem
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Unit 12. Staples/Office Depot

Class 19	November 4	Thursday	Analysis of the district court opinion
	November 5	Friday	Horizontal mergers review session (OPTIONAL)

**GRADED HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT POSTED
Due Monday, November 17**

Unit 13. Short Horizontal Case Studies

Class 20	November 9	Tuesday	ABI/Grupo Modelo Energy Solutions/Waste Control Specialists Heinz/Beech-Nut SGI/Alias/Wavefront Sirius/XM Boston Scientific/CVIS Dollar General/Dollar Tree/Family Dollar
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Unit 14. Potential Competition Mergers

Class 21	November 11	Thursday	Tuesday Mylan/Perrigo Medtronic/Covidien Mallinckrodt (Questcor)/ Novartis
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Steris/Synergy Health
Nielsen/Arbitron
Facebook/Instagram/WhatsApp

Unit 15. Vertical Mergers

Class 22	November 16	Thursday	General Electric/Avio Comcast/NBCUniversal
--	November 17	Wednesday	GRADED HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT DUE
Class 23	November 18	Thursday	Review graded homework assignment
Class 24	November 23	Tuesday	AT&T/Time Warner
	November 25	Thursday	NO CLASS—THANKSGIVING
Class 25	November 30	Tuesday	AT&T/Time Warner (con't) Coca-Cola/Coca-Cola Enterprises

Unit 16. Sabre/FareLogix

Class 26	December 2	Thursday	Analysis of the district court opinion
	December 3	Friday	OPTIONAL REVIEW CLASS

FINAL EXAM: Tuesday, December 7 – Thursday, December 16 (5-hour open book take home)