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Deborah Garza has been a trusted advisor to firms, from the Fortune 10 to mid- and small-cap companies, on strategic transactions, civil investigations, criminal investigations, and litigation. She regularly counsels companies on day-to-day compliance and other advisory matters, leveraging more than 35 years of experience in government leadership positions and private practice. She has served as an Acting Assistant Attorney General, Deputy Assistant Attorney General and Chief of Staff and Counselor to the Assistant Attorney General in three Presidential Administrations. She also served as Chair of the Antitrust Modernization Commission, a bi-partisan blue ribbon commission created by Congress to advise Congress and the President on the state of U.S. Antitrust law enforcement and as co-chair of the International Competition Policy Expert Group. Ms. Garza chaired the Antitrust Section of the American Bar Association during its 2018-2019 year and is a current member of the Corporations, Securities, and Antitrust Committee of the Federalist Society.

Previous Experience

- U.S. Department of Justice, Antitrust Division
 - Acting Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division
 - Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Regulatory Affairs
 - Special Assistant, Chief of Staff and Counselor to the Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division

Memberships and Affiliations

- American Bar Association
- Federalist Society

News and Insights

- "A New Antitrust Prescription," February 2017, *Antitrust Source*
- "Competition Law Enforcement Trends in the U.S., Europe

Practices

Litigation and Investigations

- Class Actions
- Commercial Litigation
- Congressional Investigations
- White Collar Defense and Investigations

Regulatory and Public Policy

- Antitrust/Competition
 - Cartel Defense and Investigations
 - Antitrust Transactions
 - Antitrust Litigation
- Global Compliance
- Public Policy
- Health Care

Industries

- Aerospace, Defense, and National Security
- Financial Services
 - Bank Regulatory Enforcement and Investigations
 - Consumer Financial Services
 - Financial Services M&A and Capital Markets
- Energy
 - Oil and Gas
 - Nuclear
 - Transmission and Distribution

- and China: Looking Back at 2016 and Ahead to 2017," January 18, 2017, *Covington Alert*
- "Two Covington Partners on GCR's Women in Antitrust List," December 2, 2016
 - "Deborah Garza to Co-Chair U.S. Chamber's Group on Trade and Antitrust Policy," August 26, 2016
 - "2015 – A Year of Litigated Merger Challenges What's Blowing in the Wind?," April 7, 2016, *ABA Section of Antitrust Law 64th Annual Spring Meeting "Hot Topics" Panel*
 - "Covington Advises Univision in Sale of Majority Stake to Searchlight and ForgeLight," February 25, 2020
 - "DOJ to Credit Compliance Programs and Consider Deferred Prosecution Agreements in Cartel Cases," July 15, 2019, *Covington Alert*
 - "Competition Law Enforcement Trends and Developments in the U.S., Europe and China: Looking Ahead to 2019," March 11, 2019, *Covington Alert*
 - "Former FTC Commissioner McSweeney Joins Covington," September 10, 2018
 - "Former FTC Commissioner, Obama Admin. Adviser Lands at Covington," September 10, 2018, *The National Law Journal*
 - "McSweeney joins Covington," September 10, 2018, *Global Competition Review*
 - "Competition Law Enforcement Trends in the U.S., Europe and China: Looking Ahead to 2018," January 9, 2018, *Covington Alert*
 - "Covington Advises CenturyLink in \$34 Billion Acquisition of Level 3 Communications," November 1, 2017
 - "Covington Advises Aristocrat in Acquisition of Plarium and Related Acquisition Financing," August 15, 2017
 - "Trump missing chance to steer antitrust as key FTC slots go unfilled," July 7, 2017, *Reuters*
 - "Covington's Garza Testifies Before House Judiciary Committee on International Antitrust Enforcement Trends," July 5, 2017
 - "Congress addresses foreign antitrust against US companies," June 30, 2017, *Global Competition Review*
 - "Experts Split On Group To Curb Int'l Antitrust Abuse," June 29, 2017, *Law360*
 - "Trade experts urge use of Section 301 to fight abusive competition laws," April 18, 2017, *Inside U.S. Trade*

- Life Sciences
 - Life Sciences Litigation and Investigations
 - Life Sciences Transactions
- Media and Internet
- Transportation
- Mining and Metals
- Consumer Brands
- Technology
 - Computer and Electronics
 - Semiconductor
 - Software
- Digital Health

Education

- The University of Chicago Law School, J.D., 1981
- Northern Illinois University, B.S., 1978

Government Service

- U.S. Department of Justice

Bar Admissions

- District of Columbia

- "Delrahim, DOJ antitrust chief nominee, wins praise, but Trump could complicate the job," March 28, 2017, *mLex*
- "Delrahim Pick Signals Traditional Republican Antitrust Tack," March 27, 2017, *Law360*
- "Q&A with Deborah Garza," March 23, 2017, *Global Competition Review*
- "Experts call for US government to coordinate against unfair trade," March 17, 2017, *Global Competition Review*
- "Experts Want Coordination Of Competition, Trade Policies," March 15, 2017, *Law360*
- "Expert Group Co-Chaired by Deborah Garza Offers Plan for International Competition Issues," March 14, 2017
- "A time of challenge and change," February 15, 2017
- "Crystal Ball Department: Law Firms Line Up to Offer 2017 Litigation Predictions," January 19, 2017, *The Litigation Daily*
- "Women in Antitrust Roundtable," October 27, 2016, *Global Competition Review*
- "Amid Diverse Global Approaches To Antitrust, Experts Look To Guide Next Administration," August 30, 2016, *Inside U.S. Trade*
- "U.S. Chamber of Commerce drills into antitrust and trade," August 30, 2016, *Global Competition Review*
- "U.S. Antitrust Watchdogs Turn to Insurers After Halliburton Win," May 4, 2016, *Bloomberg*
- "Former DG COMP State Aid Official Sophie Bertin Joins Forces With Covington's EU Competition Practice," April 20, 2016
- "DG COMP's Kevin Coates Joins Covington's European Competition Practice," April 4, 2016
- "Covington hires EU cartel enforcer Coates," April 4, 2016, *Global Competition Review*
- "As Staples/Office Depot and Halliburton/Baker Hughes are left pending, issues arise," January 27, 2016, *Global Competition Review*
- "Antitrust Enforcement Trends in the U.S., Europe and China: Looking Back at 2015 and Ahead to 2016," January 8, 2016, *Covington Alert*
- "FTC Chairwoman Sees Antitrust Bill as Threat to Authority," October 7, 2015, *The National Law Journal*
- "Covington's Garza Testifies Before Senate Antitrust Subcommittee in Support of SMARTER Act," October 7, 2015

- "Covington's Garza Testifies Before House Judiciary Subcommittee," June 17, 2015
- "Dianne Coffino and Andrea Reister Receive "Americas Women in Business Law" Award," June 9, 2015
- "Covington Receives Top Tier Rankings from Legal 500 U.S.," June 9, 2015
- "Law360 Names Covington's Competition Practice One of Year's Best," January 16, 2015
- "Covington Adds Premier EU Competition Practitioner Andrea Zulli," October 27, 2014
- "Strategies for navigating joint antitrust division and criminal division investigations," October 9, 2014, *Global Competition Review*
- "Best Lawyers Names Covington's Stuart Eizenstat and Gregg Levy Lawyers of the Year," August 18, 2014
- "Deals: Covington, Skadden on \$1.3 Billion Aristocrat Leisure Deal," July 8, 2014, *Bloomberg*
- "Former San Francisco DOJ Antitrust Chief Joins Covington," May 30, 2014
- "Covington Strengthens EU Competition Practice with Johan Ysewyn and Peter Camesasca," 4/30/2014
- "Covington Shortlisted for 'Americas Women in Business Law Awards'," April 23, 2014
- "Covington's Garza Testifies Before House Judiciary Subcommittee," April 7, 2014
- "U.S. Supreme Court Weighs into the Debate Over Antitrust Implications of Settlements of Hatch-Waxman ANDA Patent Litigation," June 19, 2013, *Covington E-Alert*
- "Covington Receives 196 Individual Mentions in 2013 Edition of Best Lawyers," August 27, 2012
- "ABA Names Covington's Voorhees Chair of Antitrust Section," August 10, 2012
- "Covington Lawyers Recognized by D.C. Super Lawyers," May 2, 2012
- "Covington Advises AstraZeneca in \$1.26 Billion Acquisition of Ardea Biosciences," April 23, 2012
- "Albarrán, Engh and Garza Shortlisted for 'Americas Women in Business Law Awards'," March 29, 2012
- "Covington Receives 46 Lawyer, 20 Practice Accolades in Chambers Global," March 19, 2012
- "Covington Named to GCR's Global Elite," February 6, 2012
- "Washingtonian Names 34 Covington Attorneys 'Best

Lawyers'," November 30, 2011

- "Ireland Taps Covington's Calkins For Competition Authority," November 18, 2011
- "Covington's Voorhees Named Chair-Elect of ABA Antitrust Section," September 16, 2011
- "Marketing and Distribution Issues," September 2011, *PLI's Antitrust Counseling & Compliance Conference 2011*
- "Chambers USA Recognizes Covington with 123 Individual, 45 Practice Nods," June 10, 2011
- "Covington Receives 92 Individual, 32 Practice Mentions in Legal 500," June 9, 2011
- "Covington Advises Joy Global in Acquisition of LeTourneau Technologies, Inc.," 5/16/2011
- "Covington Shortlisted for Three Chambers USA Awards," April 7, 2011
- "Covington Practice Groups and Lawyers Named to PLC Rankings," February 15, 2011
- "Market Definition, the New Horizontal Merger Guidelines, and the Long March Away from Structural Presumptions," October 2010, *The Antitrust Source*
- "U.S. Antitrust Agencies Issue Revised Horizontal Merger Guidelines," August 24, 2010, *Covington E-Alert*
- "Covington's Garza Named a 'Most Admired Attorney' By Competition Law360," August 20, 2010
- "Mergers and Health Care Reform: Federal Antitrust Enforcement Issues and Trends in Health Care," July 2010, *chapter in Inside the Minds: Understanding Antitrust Issues in Health Care*
- "National Law Journal Names Covington's Garza to Washington's Most Influential Women Lawyers List," June 28, 2010
- "Covington Receives 85 Individual, 23 Practice Mentions in Legal 500 US," June 23, 2010
- "Chambers USA Recognizes Covington with 112 Individual, 44 Practice Nods," June 16, 2010
- "Covington Lawyers Recognized by Washington, D.C. Super Lawyers," March 18, 2010
- "The Ticketmaster/Live Nation Consent Decree," March 9, 2010, *Law360*
- "Top 10 Competition Law Developments of 2009," February 2010, *Covington Report*
- "FTC Announces New Lower HSR Filing Thresholds

Effective February 22, 2010," January 22, 2010, *Covington E-Alert*

- "Chambers USA Recognizes Covington With 100 Individual, 40 Practice Nods," June 12, 2009
- "Senior DOJ Antitrust Official Joins Covington as Co-Chair of Global Competition Practice," 3/23/2009

Accolades

- *Global Competition Review*, "Pathmaker for Diversifying Competition Practice" Award (2017)
- *Global Competition Review*, "**Women in Antitrust**" (2016, 2013)
- *Latinvex*, "Latin America's Top 50 Female Lawyers" (2015)
- *Euromoney*, Americas Women in Business Awards, "Best in Antitrust & Competition" (2013)
- *Best Lawyers in America*, Antitrust (2013-2020)
- *Competition Law360*, "Most Admired Attorneys" (2010)
- *The National Law Journal*, "Washington's Most Influential Women Lawyers" (2010), "50 Most Influential Women in America" (2007), and "100 Most Influential Lawyers in America" (2006)
- *Chambers USA - America's Leading Business Lawyers*, Antitrust (2009-2019)
- *Chambers Global*, Competition/Antitrust (US) (2012-2020)
- *LawDragon*, 500 Leading Lawyers in America (2014)
- *Legal 500 US*, Antitrust - Cartel and Civil Litigation (2015-2017); Antitrust - Mergers Control (2013-2017)
- *Benchmark Litigation*, Euromoney's list of the Top 250 Women in U.S. Litigation (2012-2013)
- Euromoney, *Benchmark: Expert Guide to America's Leading Litigation Firms and Attorneys* - Antitrust Litigation Star, DC (2013-2015) and US (2015)
- *Washington DC Super Lawyers*, "The Top 100 and The Top 50 Women" (2013-2014)
- *Washington DC Super Lawyers*, Antitrust Litigation (2007-2019)
- *Who's Who Legal, Competition* (2010-2019)
- *Washingtonian*, Best Lawyers (2011, 2013)