



## Andreas Stargard

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An experienced antitrust litigator, Andreas Stargard advises companies and individuals across the globe. His focus areas are antitrust & competition advice, white-collar counseling, contract litigation & negotiation, and resolution of global business disputes, cartel work, corruption allegations and internal investigations, including competition-adjacent intellectual property & distribution issues. Clients commend him for providing high-quality work product, strict client focus, and timely, concrete advice that stays on point. He has written and spoken extensively on business litigation, antitrust & competition-law issues. Andreas also advises clients on corporate compliance programs that conform to local as well as global government standards, and has handled key strategic merger-notification issues, including evaluation of filing requirements, avoidance strategies, cross-jurisdictional cooperation, and the like.

Andreas is a founding partner of Africa-focused antitrust boutique Primerio Ltd., is the Editor-in-Chief and author of leading online resources on African competition law and anti-corruption matters across the continent, co-editor of the *Competition Policy International* Africa column, and has appeared frequently in the media discussing for example, the Google antitrust investigation. Additionally, Andreas speaks and lectures for various associations and organizations including IBA, ABA, *Concurrences*, and COMESA.

Andreas is fluent (written and oral) in German, French, and English

## Experience

- Shepherd multiple M&A deals through international approval processes, including before the COMESA Competition Commission, the Nigerian FCCPC, Kenyan CAK, and several other adjudicative bodies; representative industries include: telecoms; advanced machine manufacturers; 'clean-room' medical technology company; automotive; educational tech company; advanced seed technology and related chemicals consolidation; mobile payments tech co.
- Advise Kenyan and South African limited corporations on buyout strategy and

## Education

University of Virginia, J.D.,  
Dean's List  
College of William and Mary,  
B.A.

- *Phi Beta Kappa* 1999

## Admissions

- New York
- District of Columbia

merger clearance issues.

- Act as chief deal integration counsel on behalf of Independence Blue Cross in multi-billion-dollar Highmark transaction.
- Advise one of the largest international educational capacity-building corporations on private equity takeover, including competition implications of same.
- Advise domestic video and music production company and affiliates on licensing, contracting on new properties, as well as intellectual property issues.
- Legal counsel to numerous physician groups and independent practice groups in the Northeast U.S. in relation to collaborative conduct with respect to insurers, pharmacy benefit managers, payor networks.
- Advised UN subsidiary on mobile money policies across Africa, including competitive impact study.
- Advise Rockwell Automation Inc. in its global joint venture with Schlumberger, creating the first fully-integrated digital oilfield automation solutions provider (Sensia) (2018-2019).
- Represent senior executive in criminal DOJ price-fixing investigation in the RF technology sector (2018-2019).
- Advise World Bank subsidiary on commercial and competition-law aspects of cross-border interoperability project (2018-2019).
- Shepherded largest global agriculture M&A transaction through multi-jurisdictional merger clearance processes in three African jurisdictions, including COMESA filings, on behalf of Monsanto (2017-2018).
- Appeared before broad spectrum of courts and agencies (FTC, DOJ, DG COMP, COMESA CC, Kenya CAK, German Bundeskartellamt, State AGs, etc.).
- Provide ongoing competition-law and related advice to largest African generic pharmaceutical manufacturer.
- Attorney representing leading multi-nationals in various industries in relation to cartel investigations and civil suits (e.g., *Electrograph Sys. Inc. v. Hitachi, Ltd.*, *In re Cathode Ray Tube Antitrust Litig.*, *Haley Paint Co. v. E.I. DuPont De Nemours & Co.*, *re Air Cargo Shipping Servs. Antitrust Litig.*)
- Acted as expert witness on competition-law issues in relation to then-newly established COMESA competition regime on behalf of European petroleum consortium as part of an ongoing commercial dispute in arbitral proceedings against Chinese competitor.
- AAA arbitration experience (including class-action arbitration disputes; argued on behalf of large community pharmacy entity in reimbursement action against Caremark; represented individuals in real estate disputes with co-owners; etc.).
- Extensive experience advising parties and protecting client interests in global governmental cartel and bid-rigging investigations, leniency applications, and

follow-on civil damages lawsuits, as well as international & domestic business disputes.

- Successfully sought and obtained first DOJ amnesty pursuant to (then newly-enacted) ACPERA on behalf of German fittings manufacturer and individuals.
- Represented global technology companies in European Commission DRAM cartel investigation & block-exemption proceedings (Samsung).
- Represented aircraft manufacturer in its navigation of African regulatory regimes across southern Africa.
- Represented largest African airline in cartel investigation, defending it against allegations of air cargo price-fixing and market allocation claims, in both civil and governmental proceedings (SAA).
- Defended against breach-of-contract allegations and pursue affirmative claims against U.S. agent of leading African seafood distributor.
- Extensive experience defending against and prosecuting antitrust and contractual disputes, including monopolisation, cartel, and breach of contract charges, among many others. New York and D.C. bar memberships.

## Awards & Recognition

- COMESA, Competition Commission Business Award (2023)

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