

REPORTS OF THE SECTIONS

ANTITRUST, FRANCHISE AND TRADE REGULATION

Stephen E. Story, Chair

The Antitrust, Franchise and Trade Regulation Section was responsible for several programs and articles during the year.

As usual, the high point of the year was the section's program at the annual meeting in Virginia Beach. Together with the Intellectual Property Law Section as a co-sponsor, the section presented a panel of speakers on antitrust issues and federal enforcement initiatives related to intellectual property. The panel explored various practical and legal issues raised by the confluence of intellectual property and antitrust law, such as in licensing arrangements. This has been an area of special interest for both intellectual property and antitrust lawyers.

Scott Caulkins turned in a stellar performance running the section's newsletter. He deserves great credit for producing a timely publication including information that is useful and interesting for the membership.

Among potential projects for the 2002–2003 year are another joint program with the Intellectual Property Section on September 27–28, 2002, at the Wintergreen Resort, work on the section's Web page and perhaps a revision of the comprehensive digest of antitrust cases prepared by the section a few years back.

The new section officers elected at the June 2002 meeting were James R. Creekmore, chair; Greg St. Ours, vice chair; and Scott Caulkins, secretary.

