

Representative Legal Matters

Edward W. Batchelor

- Advising on merger control and joint ventures in relation to the BP/Nova styrenics joint venture (for BP), Cisco/WebEx (for Cisco), Bain/American-Standard (for American Standard), OTPP/Camelot (for OTPP) Canal+/TVN (for Canal+), Warner Bros./Eyeworks (for Warner Bros.) and ADM/Wilmar (for ADM).
- Annulled a cartel decision and fines in the Synthetic Rubber cartel (involving fines of EUR519 million).
- Annulled a EUR119 million fine in the GIS cartel.
- Secured one of the lowest negotiated settlements in the seven-year-long DRAM investigation. Halved the fine in the Windows Mountings case based on financial distress.
- Secured immunity or substantial leniency discounts in the Pipe Fittings, Citric Acid and Sodium Gluconate cartels.
- Settled the investigation of a large multinational bank in the EU Belgian Banks cartel investigation.
- Settled the 9/11 aviation insurance cartel inquiry on behalf of a major reinsurer.
- Represented a pharmaceutical company before the General Court in an alleged "reverse payment" settlement agreement.
- Represented KirchMedia (now Infront), and subsequently FIFA, before the EU courts reversing EU decisions mandating free-to-air coverage of the FIFA World Cup.
- Represented Dyson before the EU courts challenging labelling regulations favoring competing vacuum cleaners.
- Represented Poland before the EU Courts in its carbon trading allocation plan, securing annulment of the Commission decision challenging Poland's allocation (upheld on appeal in the ECJ).
- Successfully defended abuse of dominance investigations by the EU, German and Swiss authorities in relation to a global IT company.
- Successfully represented a complainant before the UK antitrust authorities securing access to interface information of a dominant software vendor.