

MCMILLAN'S COMPETITION/ANTITRUST GROUP HONOURED AT THE 2015 GLOBAL COMPETITION REVIEW AWARDS

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McMillan is pleased to announce that our Competition/Antitrust Group has been honoured as a co-winner of the "Matter of the Year" award by *Global Competition Review* (GCR) for its contribution to the *GlaxoSmithKline/Novartis/Eli Lilly* matter. The Global Competition Review Awards are based on more than 3,000 votes cast by competition and antitrust practitioners globally.

Partners [Dr. A. Neil Campbell](#), [Mark Opashinov](#) and Casey Halladay were Canadian counsel to Novartis AG in four major transactions involving: (1) the US\$16 billion purchase of GlaxoSmithKline's (GSK) Oncology business; (2) the US\$7 billion sale of Novartis' Vaccines business to GSK; (3) the creation of an US\$11 billion consumer health JV with GSK; (4) and the US\$5.4 billion sale of Novartis' Animal Health business to Eli Lilly.

Additionally, a McMillan team led by [Mark Opashinov](#) and Jun Chao Meng was nominated as a finalist for the "Merger Control Matter of the Year - Americas" award for its role as Canadian counsel to Veyance in its US\$1.9 billion acquisition by Continental.

Our 2015 recognition continues a long tradition of success at the annual GCR Awards. In 2014, McMillan was a co-winner of the "Matter of the Year" award for the role that partners Casey Halladay and [Eric Vallières](#) played in representing American Airlines in its merger with US Airways. Our Competition/Antitrust Group also received the 2014 award for "Behavioural Matter of the Year - Americas" for its successful defence of MasterCard in a precedent-setting litigation before the Competition Tribunal. That team included [James Musgrove](#), [Jeffrey Simpson](#), [David Kent](#) and [Adam Chisholm](#). In 2011, a team led by [Mark Opashinov](#) also received the "Matter of the Year" award for its work on the Oracle/Sun Microsystems merger, in which McMillan was Canadian counsel to Oracle.

Our competition/antitrust lawyers have also been repeatedly recognized for their individual accomplishments at the GCR Awards. In 2014 and 2013, Casey Halladay was a finalist for the "Lawyer of the Year – Under 40" award and, in 2011, D. Martin Low QC was a finalist for the "Cartels Lawyer – Special Recognition Award"; no other Canadian practitioners were nominated for these awards.

For more than three decades, McMillan has been recognized nationally and internationally as a leader in



competition law. Our cross-Canada team of lawyers in Toronto, Ottawa, Montréal, Vancouver and Calgary routinely assists clients in obtaining approval of industry-transforming transactions and in defending cartel, class action, and unilateral conduct litigation before the competition authorities and the courts. For more information about our Competition/Antitrust Group, please click [here](#).