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Overview

Steven L. Groopman is a seasoned class action attorney and a partner in DiCello Levitt's Antitrust and Competition Litigation Practice Group. He focuses primarily on high-stakes antitrust matters—with particular expertise in the health care sector—bringing a strategic, deeply researched approach to cases involving complex markets, sophisticated corporate conduct, and significant economic harm. He also has experience in consumer fintech litigation.

Steve is known for developing cutting-edge, proprietary cases—often before the issues receive mainstream coverage—through deep investigation and analysis. He has significant experience litigating on behalf of union health and welfare benefit funds, individual consumers, and small independent businesses against large corporate defendants. His health care antitrust practice has successfully challenged tactics used to delay, deter, and undermine generic and biosimilar competition, and other conduct affecting competition and pricing in pharmaceutical and health care markets. He also has developed and litigated antitrust claims in other sectors, including real estate and airlines.

Before joining DiCello Levitt, Steve was a partner in the Boston office of an esteemed class action and complex litigation firm. Earlier in his career, he clerked for the Hon. Dickinson R. Debevoise of the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey and practiced at a litigation and white-collar defense boutique in New York. During law school, Steve interned at the World Organization for Human Rights and for the Hon. Nicholas G. Garaufis of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York. He also served as a student-attorney in an appellate defender clinic. Prior to law school, he worked as a reporter-researcher at *The New Republic* in Washington, D.C.

Steve has been recognized by *Benchmark Litigation* as a Massachusetts Future Star and previously on its 40 & Under list in the plaintiff class action category. He has also been honored by Super Lawyers in the New England/Massachusetts jurisdiction and previously as a Rising



Star.

Practice Areas

CLASS ACTION LITIGATION

ANTITRUST AND COMPETITION LITIGATION

Education

George Washington University Law School, J.D. Brown University, A.B., *magna cum laude*

Representative Matters

In re Respimat Pharmaceuticals Antitrust Litigation, No. 25-md-3154 (D. Mass.). Serving on the Co-Lead Counsel team representing a proposed class of third-party payors alleging that defendant Boehringer Ingelheim perpetrated an anticompetitive scheme to delay and deter generic competition for its multibillion-dollar line of Spiriva Respimat and Combivent Respimat asthma and COPD inhalers.

Sheet Metal Workers' Health Plan of Southern California, Arizona, and Nevada v. AbbVie, Inc., No. 25-cv-00615 (N.D. Ill.). Served on the Co-Lead Counsel team representing a proposed class of health plans alleging that AbbVie entered into agreements in restraint of trade with major pharmacy benefit managers to undermine lower cost biosimilar competition for Humira.

Iron Workers District Council of New England Health and Welfare Fund v. Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd., et al., No. 1:23-cv-11131 (D. Mass.). Served on the Co-Lead Counsel team representing a proposed class of third-party payors alleging that defendant Teva Pharmaceuticals and its affiliates embarked on a decade-long anticompetitive scheme to delay generic competition for QVAR, its blockbuster line of brand-name asthma inhalers.

Friedman v. The Real Estate Board of New York Inc., et al., No. 24-cv-0405 (S.D.N.Y.). Served on the Co-Lead Counsel team representing a proposed class of home sellers in specific areas of Brooklyn alleging that the Real Estate Board of New York and its member brokers conspired to inflate the cost of buyer broker commissions for residential real estate.

In re American Airlines/Jetblue Antitrust Litigation, No. 1:22-cv-07374-AMD-TAM (E.D.N.Y.). Represented a proposed class of airline ticket purchasers alleging that American Airlines and JetBlue entered into an agreement to collude, rather than compete, for customers at four Northeast airports, driving up airline ticket prices.

Solomon, et al. v. American Web Loan Inc., et al., No. 17-cv-0145 (E.D. Va.). Served on the Co-Lead Counsel team representing a proposed class of consumer borrowers alleging that online payday lenders and a private equity firm perpetrated a scheme to issue usurious loans through a Native American tribal entity in violation of the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act (RICO), the Truth In Lending Act (TILA), and state law.

Gingras, et al. v. Rosette, et al., No. 15-cv-0101 (D. Vt.). Served on the Co-Lead Counsel team representing a proposed class of consumer borrowers alleging that online payday lenders, along with a major hedge fund and venture capitalists, perpetrated a scheme to collect unlawful debt, in violation of the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act (RICO), by creating and controlling a Native American tribal entity and issuing usurious loans through that entity in an effort to circumvent state and federal law.

Awards & Honors

Future Star, Massachusetts, *Benchmark Litigation* (2024-2025)

40 & Under, Plaintiff Class Action, *Benchmark Litigation* (2022-2023)

Massachusetts Super Lawyers Honoree, **Super Lawyers** (2023-2025)

New England/Massachusetts Rising Star, **Super Lawyers** (2017-2022)

Publications & Presentations

Publications

"Why Dark Money is Bad Business," *The New York Times*, May 10, 2016

Presentations

"A View from the Courthouse: Lawsuits Targeting PBMs," Coalition of State Rheumatology Organizations, 2017 State Society Advocacy Conference, September 9, 2017

Admissions & Memberships

Bar Admissions

Massachusetts

New York

Court Admissions

U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit



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U.S. Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit
U.S. District Court, District of Massachusetts
U.S. District Court, Eastern District of New York
U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York

Memberships

Corporate Reform Coalition