

Hearings on Competition and Consumer Protection in the 21st Century

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Panel 1: The State of U.S. Antitrust Law (Session 1)

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Panel 2: The State of U.S. Antitrust Law (Session 2)

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Panel 3: Monopsony & Buyer Power

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