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	Dist. Ct.	Ct. App.*	S. Ct.	Total
PETITIONS FOR REVIEW	0	6	0	6
INJUNCTION AND CONSUMER REDRESS CASES	43	6	3	52
CIVIL PENALTY AND ENFORCEMENT CASES	21	1	1	23
SUBPOENA AND CID ENFORCEMENTS	0	0	0	0
SUITS TO ENJOIN FTC ACTION AND OTHER DEFENSIVE LITIGATION	28	15	2	45
AMICUS CURIAE BRIEFS	2	4	3	9
TOTALS	94	26	9	129

* Includes all cases in which appellate proceedings have taken place during the reporting period or are pending; these cases are not counted in the District Court column, even if such proceedings are occurring simultaneously.

PETITIONS FOR REVIEW

(A) Orders to Cease and Desist

INTUIT v. FTC, No. 24-60040 (5th Cir.)

Parties: Intuit, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Bradley Grossman (OGC)

Nature of Action: Petition for review of final Commission order.

Status: Petition for review filed 1/24/24.
Intuit’s motion to stay FTC order filed 3/1/24; Commission’s opposition to stay filed 3/15/24; order denying stay entered 3/18/24.
Intuit’s opening brief filed 4/15/24; Commission’s answering brief filed 6/14/24; Intuit’s reply brief filed 7/12/24.
Oral argument held 11/4/24.

TRAFFIC JAM EVENTS v. FTC, No. 21-60947 (5th Cir.)

Parties: Traffic Jam Events, LLC
David Jeansonne

Assigned Attorneys: Mariel Goetz (OGC)

Nature of Action: Petition for review of final Commission order.

Status: Petition for review filed 12/21/21.
Traffic Jam Event’s opening brief filed 3/28/22; Commission’s answering brief filed 9/9/22.
Oral argument held 5/3/23.
Unpublished opinion and judgment denying the petition entered 7/10/25.

(B) Rulemakings

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE v. FTC, No. 24-13436 (11th Cir.); No. 24-3388 (8th Cir.)

Parties: Chamber of Commerce

Assigned Attorneys: Ben Aiken (OGC)
Brad Grossman
Matt Hoffman

Nature of Action: Petition to review final rule regulating the use of “negative options” in marketing and business practices.

Status: Petition for review filed 10/23/24.
Commission’s notice of filing petitions with the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation (JPML) filed 11/20/24.
Case transferred to the Eighth Circuit 11/22/24.
Motion for stay filed 12/5/24; Commission’s opposition filed 12/20/24; reply filed 1/2/25; order denying stay entered 1/17/25.
Petitioners’ brief filed 2/18/25; FTC brief filed 3/17/25; reply brief filed 4/4/25.
Oral argument heard 6/10/25.
Opinion granting the petition and vacating the rule issued 7/8/25.

CUSTOM COMMUNICATIONS, INC. v. FTC, No. 24-3137 (8th Cir.)

Parties: Custom Communications, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Ben Aiken (OGC)
Brad Grossman
Matt Hoffman

Nature of Action: Petition to review final rule regulating the use of “negative options” in marketing and business practices.

Status: Petition for review filed 10/22/24.
Motion for stay filed 12/5/24; Commission’s opposition filed 12/20/24; reply filed 1/2/25; order denying stay entered 1/17/25.
Petitioners’ brief filed 2/18/25; FTC brief filed 3/17/25; reply brief filed 4/4/25.
Oral argument heard 6/10/25.
Opinion granting the petition and vacating the rule issued 7/8/25.

ELECTRONIC SECURITY ASSOCIATION v. FTC, No. 24-60542 (5th Cir.); No. 24-3442 (8th Cir.)

Parties: Electronic Security Association
Interactive Advertising Bureau
NCTA – The Internet & Television Association

Assigned Attorneys: Ben Aiken (OGC)
Brad Grossman
Matt Hoffman

Nature of Action: Petition to review final rule regulating the use of “negative options” in marketing and business practices.

Status: Petition for review filed 10/23/24.
Petitioner’s emergency petition for mandamus seeking to compel Commission notification of the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation (JPML) filed 11/5/24; Commission opposition filed 11/12/24; reply filed 11/14/24.
Writ of mandamus issued 11/19/24.
Commission’s notice of filing petitions with the JPML filed 11/20/24.
JPML order designating petition to be consolidated in the Eighth Circuit issued 11/21/24.
Order transferring case to Eighth Circuit issued 12/3/24. Motion for stay filed 12/5/24; Commission’s opposition filed 12/20/24; reply filed 1/2/25; order denying stay entered 1/17/25.
Petitioners’ brief filed 2/18/25; FTC brief filed 3/17/25; reply brief filed 4/4/25.
Oral argument heard 6/10/25.
Opinion granting the petition and vacating the rule issued 7/8/25.

MICHIGAN PRESS ASSOCIATION v. FTC, No. 24-3912 (6th Cir.); No. 24-3415 (8th Cir.)

Parties: Michigan Press Association
National Federation of Independent Business

Assigned Attorneys: Ben Aiken (OGC)
Brad Grossman
Matt Hoffman

Nature of Action: Petition to review final rule regulating the use of “negative options” in marketing and business practices.

Status: Petition for review filed 10/22/24.
Commission’s notice of filing petitions with the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation (JPML) filed 11/20/24.
Order transferring case to Eighth Circuit issued 11/27/24.
Motion for stay filed 12/5/24; Commission’s opposition filed 12/20/24; reply filed 1/2/25; order denying stay entered 1/17/25.
Petitioners’ brief filed 2/18/25; FTC brief filed 3/17/25; reply brief filed 4/4/25.
Oral argument heard 6/10/25.
Opinion granting the petition and vacating the rule issued 7/8/25.

INJUNCTIONS AND CONSUMER REDRESS

(A) Preliminary Injunctions (Mergers/Acquisitions)

FTC v. EDWARDS LIFESCIENCES CORP., No. 1:25-cv-2569 (D.D.C.)

Parties: Edwards Lifesciences Corp.
JenaValve Technology, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Laura Hall (BC/Litigation Group)
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Jacob Danziger
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Lily Verbeck
Nicholas Widnell

Nature of Action: Action for preliminary injunction to prevent the consummation of proposed acquisition of JenaValve Technology by Edwards Lifesciences to combine two medical device companies.

Status: Complaint filed 8/6/25.
Temporary restraining order entered 8/7/25.
Answers filed 8/29/25.

Memorandum in support of preliminary injunction filed 10/22/25;
opposition filed 11/5/25; reply filed 11/12/25.
Preliminary injunction hearing held 11/18/25 to 11/25/25.
Defendants' post-trial brief, proposed findings of facts and conclusions of
law filed 12/10/25.
Plaintiff's proposed findings of facts and conclusions of law filed
12/16/25.

FTC v. GTCR BC HOLDINGS LLC, No. 1:25-cv-2391 (N.D. Ill.)

Parties: GTCR BC Holdings LLC
GTCR LLC
Surmodics, Inc.
States of Illinois and Minnesota (co-plaintiffs)

Assigned Attorneys: Maia Perez (BC/Litigation Group)
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Nicholas Widnell
Lily Verbeck
Leonardo Chingcuanco
Jessica Weiner
Brian O'Dea
Jacob Danziger
Keith Holleran
Kendall Alford
Matthew Joseph
Megan McKinley
Rebecca Danielle Kerley
Varnitha Sivaprasad
Wade Lippard
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James Weiss
Anna C. Van de Stouwe (BC/Mergers IV)
Jacob Hamburger

Allyson Maltas (BC/Litigation Group)

Nature of Action: Action for preliminary injunction to prevent the consummation of proposed acquisition of Surmodics, Inc. by GTCR BC Holdings and its affiliates and subsidiaries to combine the two largest manufacturers of critical medical device coatings pending administrative adjudication.

Status: Complaint filed 3/6/25.
Stipulated temporary restraining order entered 3/12/25.
Answer and counterclaim filed 3/27/25.
Amended complaint adding co-plaintiff states of Illinois and Minnesota and defendant GTCR LLC filed 4/16/25.
Defendants GTCR BC and Surmodics answers and counterclaims to amended complaint filed 4/30/25.
Stipulated order for amended temporary restraining order entered 5/28/25.
Defendant GTCR LLC answer and defenses to amended complaint filed 6/30/25.
Evidentiary hearing held from 8/21/25 to 9/2/25
Order denying Plaintiff's motion for preliminary injunction entered 11/10/25.

(B) Preliminary Injunctions (Other)

(None Pending)

(C) Permanent Injunctions (Mergers/Acquisitions)

FTC v. HENKEL, No. 1:25-mc-00565 (S.D.N.Y.)

Parties: Henkel AG & Co. KGAA
Henkel of America, Inc.
Henkel US Operations Corp.
AIP, LLC d/b/a American Industrial Partners
A-Paint Holding LP
A-Paint Topco, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Abby L. Dennis
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Alex Ansaldo
Maria Cirincione
Michael Blevins
Tim Singer
Frances Anne Johnson

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Chris D'Silva
Edmund Saw

Nature of Action: Action for permanent injunction to prevent consummation of proposed acquisition of A-Paint by Henkel.

Status: Complaint filed 12/11/25.
Trial scheduled for July 13, 2026.

(D) Permanent Injunctions/Consumer Redress*

FTC v. ACCELERATED DEBT SETTLEMENT, INC., No. 2:25-cv-2443 (D. Ariz.)

Parties: Accelerated Debt Settlement, Inc.
ADS Resolve, LLC
Financial Solutions Group LLC
Unified Capital Services LLC
Mediawerks
Resolution Specialists LLC
Futura Capital LLC
Jeffrey A. Lakes
Robert Knechtel
Elizabeth Reaney

Assigned Attorneys: Gregory Ashe (BCP/FP)
Benjamin Cady

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the Telemarketing Sales Rule, the Trade Regulation Rule on Impersonation of Government and Business, the Fair Credit Reporting Act, and Section 521 of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act in connection with the deceptive marketing and sale of debt relief services.

Status: Complaint filed 7/14/25.
Ex parte TRO entered 7/14/25.
Preliminary injunction entered 8/8/25.
Defendants' motion to stay case pending criminal investigation filed 12/12/25; FTC's opposition filed 12/22/25.

* Unless otherwise noted, cases involve suits for permanent injunction and other equitable relief. Post-judgment proceedings in district court are not generally reported.

FTC v. ACIA17 AUTOMOTIVE, INC., No. 1:24-cv-13047 (N.D. Ill.)

Parties: ACIA17 Automotive
ACIA ACQ
ACIA FINCO
ACIA CH
ACIA CL
ACIA HN Auto
ACIA KL Auto
ACIA Motors
ACIA PG
ACIA PH Auto
ACIA TC Auto
ACIA TN Auto
Auto Canada
James Douvas

Assigned Attorneys: Lisa Bohl (MWR)
Rachel Granetz
Rachel Sifuentes

Alleged Conduct: Unfair and deceptive practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the FTC's Used Motor Vehicle Trade Regulation Rule in connection with auto dealers' marketing, sale, and financing of vehicles.

Status: Complaint entered 12/19/24.
Settlement as to corporate defendants entered 1/2/25.
Douvas motion to dismiss filed 2/17/25; motion denied 5/8/25.
Douvas answer and affirmative defenses filed 6/11/25.

FTC v. AIR AI TECHNOLOGIES, INC., No 2:25-cv-03068 (D. Ariz.)

Parties: Air Ai Technologies, Inc. d/b/a Scale 13
Apex Holdings Group LLC
Apex Scaling LLC d/b/a Air Ai, Scale 13
Apex 4 Kids LLC
New Life Capital LLC
Onyx Capital LLC
Caleb Matthew Maddix
Ryan Paul O'Donnell
Thomas Matthew Lancer

Assigned Attorneys: Rebecca Plett (BCP/ENF)
Lauren Rivard

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in connection with the sale, distribution, or advertising of software and licenses to resell software, in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the Telemarketing Sales Rule, and the Business Opportunity Rule.

Status: Complaint filed 9/25/25.
Stipulated preliminary injunction as to all defendants entered 9/11/25.
Defendants' answer and affirmative defenses to complaint filed 12/31/25.

FTC v. ASSURANCE IQ, No. 2:25-cv-1485 (W.D. Wash.)

Parties: Assurance IQ LLC, also d/b/a National Family Assurance Corp.

Assigned Attorneys: Ben Halpern-Meekin (NWR)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5 of the FTC Act and the Telemarketing Sales Rule in connection with misrepresentations about key features of healthcare plans being sold.

Status: Complaint filed 8/6/25.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction, monetary judgment and other relief entered 8/11/25.
Case terminated 9/12/25.

FTC v. AMAZON.COM, INC., No. 24-3835 (9th Cir.); No. 2:23-cv-01495 (W.D. Wash.)

Parties: Amazon.com, Inc.
States of New York, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, Rhode Island, and Wisconsin (co-plaintiffs)
American Booksellers Association (proposed intervenor)

Assigned Attorneys: Edward Takashima (BC/Litigation Group)
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Daniel Bradley
Daniel Principato
Emily Bolles
Jake Walter-Warner
Kelly Schoolmeester

Stephen Antonio
Ethan Stevenson (BC/Litigation Group)
Ben Aiken (OGC)

Alleged Conduct: Unfair methods of competition through exclusionary conduct in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and Section 2 of the Sherman Act to maintain monopoly power in the market for online superstores.

Status: Complaint filed 9/26/23.
Defendant's motion to dismiss filed 12/8/23; response filed 2/6/24; reply filed 3/22/24.
FTC motion to bifurcate filed 2/29/24; response filed 3/11/24; reply filed 3/15/24.
Motion to intervene by American Booksellers Association filed 5/8/24; FTC and defendant responses filed 5/23/24; reply filed 5/31/24.
Order denying intervention entered 6/3/24.
Notice of appeal by American Booksellers Association filed 6/14/24; appeals court decision affirming district court's order denying intervention issued 12/4/24.
Order granting in part and denying in part plaintiff's motion to dismiss and FTC's motion to bifurcate entered 9/30/24.
Second amended complaint filed 10/31/24.
Defendant's answer and motion to dismiss three counts of amended complaint filed 11/14/24.
Defendant's motion for judgment on the pleadings filed 12/6/24; FTC response filed 1/14/25; reply filed 2/4/25.
Order granting Defendant's motion to dismiss three counts of amended complaint entered 3/20/25.
Order denying motion for judgment on the pleadings entered 4/8/25.
Trial scheduled for 2/9/27.

FTC v. AMERICAN FUTURE SYSTEMS, INC., No. 2:20-cv-02266 (E.D. Pa.)

Parties: American Future Systems, Inc. d/b/a Progressive Business Publications
d/b/a Progressive Business Publications, Inc. d/b/a Center for
Education & Employment Law
Progressive Business Publications of New Jersey, Inc. d/b/a Progressive
Business Publications, Inc. d/b/a Center for Education and
Employment Law
International Credit Recovery, Inc. d/b/a ICR
Edward M. Satell
Richard Diorio, Jr.
Cynthia Powell
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (co-plaintiff)

Assigned Attorneys: Derek Diaz (ECR)
Harris Senturia
Maris Snell
Fil de Banate

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Unordered Merchandise Statute, and in violation of Pennsylvania consumer protection law, in connection with Defendants' deceptive selling of and collection of payment for publication subscriptions.

Status: Complaint filed 5/13/20.
Motion to file first amended complaint adding plaintiff Commonwealth of Pennsylvania filed 7/23/20; motion granted 1/20/21.
Amended complaint filed 1/21/21.
Motion to dismiss for failure to state a claim filed by Defendants Richard Diorio, Jr., International Credit Recovery, Inc., and Cynthia Powell 2/4/21; Commission response filed 3/4/21; Defendant reply filed 3/25/21; motion denied 4/30/21.
Motion to dismiss for Defendants American Future Systems Inc., Progressive Business Publications of New Jersey, Inc., and Edward M. Satell filed 2/11/21; motion denied 4/30/21.
Defendants' motion for judgment on the pleadings filed 6/24/21; motion denied 7/26/21.
Stipulated permanent injunction as to defendants International Credit Recovery, Inc., Richard Diorio, Jr., and Cynthia Powell entered 3/24/23.
Plaintiffs' and Defendants' cross motions for summary judgment filed 6/26/23; oppositions filed 7/17/23; replies filed 7/24/23.
Orders denying Plaintiffs' and Defendants' cross-motions for summary judgment entered 9/20/23.
Trial held 9/26/23 to 10/19/23.
Plaintiffs' and Defendants' proposed findings of facts and conclusions of law filed 12/04/23.
Closing arguments heard 12/19/23.
Adverse ruling in favor of defendants on all plaintiffs' claims entered 3/29/24.
Plaintiffs' separate motions to alter or amend judgment filed 4/26/24; opposition filed 5/10/24; reply filed 5/17/24.
Order denying plaintiffs' motions to alter or amend entered 6/12/24.
Defendants motion for attorney fees & costs filed 9/3/24; FTC response filed 10/1/24; Defendants' reply filed 10/8/24.
Order granting in part defendants' motion for attorney fees and ordering submission of supplemental documentation entered 5/19/25.
Defendants' supplemental submission in support of motion for attorney fees filed 5/30/25; FTC response filed 6/13/25; Defendants' reply filed 6/20/25.

Order granting in part and denying in part AFS's motion for attorneys' fees under EAJA entered 7/31/25.
FTC notice of appeal filed 9/29/25.

FTC v. AMERICAN TAX SERVICE, No. 2:25-cv-01894 (D. Nev.)

Parties: American Tax Service LLC
American Tax Solutions LLC
ATS Tax Group LLC
Elite Sales Solutions d/b/a American Tax Services
GETATAXLAWYER.COM LLC
TNT Holding Group LLC
TNT Services Group LLC
TNT Tax Associates Inc.
Tyler Bennett
Terrance Selb
State of Nevada (co-plaintiff)

Assigned Attorneys: Simon Barth (BCP/MP)
James Evans

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, Section 521 of the Gramm-Leach Bliley Act, the Trade Regulation Rule on Impersonation of Government and Businesses, the Telemarketing Sales Rule, and in violation of Nevada state laws in connection with the marketing of purported tax debt relief services.

Status: Complaint filed 10/6/25.
Ex parte TRO granted 10/7/25.
Preliminary injunction granted 11/20/25.

FTC v. ASCEND CAPVENTURES, INC., No. 2:24-cv-7660 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties: Ascend Capventures, Inc. d/b/a Ascend Ecom LLC d/b/a
Ascend Ecomm LLC d/b/a ACV d/b/a ACV Partners d/b/a
Accelerated Ecommerce Ventures d/b/a Ascend Distribution LLC
d/b/a Ethix Capital d/b/a ACV Nexus
Ascend Ecommerce, Inc. d/b/a Ascend Ecom LLC
Ascend Administration, Inc.
Ascend Ecom LLC
Ascend Distribution LLC
William Michael Basta
Jeremy Kenneth Leung

Assigned Attorneys: Elsie Kappler (BCP/DMP)
Jeffrey Tang (WRLA)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the Business Opportunity Rule, and the Consumer Review Fairness Act in connection with misrepresentations made in marketing e-commerce investment opportunities.

Status: Complaint filed 9/9/24.
Ex parte TRO entered 9/13/24.
Joint stipulation for preliminary injunction filed 10/21/24.
Preliminary injunction entered 12/3/24.
Proposed stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary relief filed 6/23/25.
Order granting stipulated permanent injunction entered 8/11/25.

FTC v. AYLO GROUP LTD., No. 2:25-cv-00752 (D. Utah)

Parties: Aylo Group Ltd.
Donormass Limited
Aylo Freesites Ltd.
Aylo Premium Ltd.
Aylo Technologies Ltd.
9279-2738 Quebec Inc.
9219-1568 Quebec Inc.
Aylo Holdings USA Corp.
Aylo Billing US Corp.
Toqon, LLC
Aylo Global Entertainment Inc.
Aylo USA Inc.
FTSA, LLC
Aylo Billing Limited
Utah Division of Consumer Protection (co-plaintiff)

Assigned Attorneys: Jacqueline Ford (BCP/DPIP)
Manmeet Dhindsa
Alejandro Rosenberg

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violations of Section 5 of the FTC Act and Utah Consumer Sales Practices Act in connection with defendants' pornographic photo and video-streaming websites.

Status: Complaint filed 9/3/25.
Stipulated order for preliminary injunction, monetary judgment, and other relief entered 9/8/25.

Judgment for plaintiffs entered 9/9/25.

FTC v. CELSIUS NETWORK LLC, No. 1:23-cv-6009 (S.D.N.Y.)

Parties: Celsius Network Inc.
Celsius Network LLC
Celsius Networks Lending LLC
Celsius Lending LLC
Celsius Keyfi LLC
Celsius Mining LLC
Celsius US Holding LLC
Celsius US LLC
Celsius Management Corp.
Alexander Mashinsky
Shlomi Daniel Leon
Hanoch Goldstein

Assigned Attorneys: Stephanie Liebner (BCP/FP)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act in connection with the marketing and sale of cryptocurrency lending and custody services.

Status: Complaint filed 7/13/23.
Stipulated final order as to corporate defendants entered 8/16/23.
United States' motion to intervene and to stay discovery to avoid prejudice to an ongoing criminal case against Alexander Mashinsky filed 9/11/23; motion granted 9/26/23.
Order denying individual defendants' motions to dismiss entered 12/12/23.
Order granting in part FTC's motion to strike defendants' affirmative defenses entered 4/12/24.
Discovery stay lifted 5/27/25.

FTC v. CARDFLEX, INC., No. 3:14-cv-397-MMD-GWF (D. Nev.)

Parties: Cliq, Inc. (f/k/a Cardflex, Inc.)
Andrew Phillips
John Blaugrund

Assigned Attorneys: Benjamin Theisman
Benjamin Davidson
Iris Micklavzina

Alleged Conduct: Contempt of federal court order regarding the types of businesses for which the defendants can provide payment processing services.

Status: Complaint filed 7/30/14.
Stipulated permanent injunction and final order as to defendants Cardflex, Inc., Andrew Phillips, and John Blaugrund entered 5/5/15.
Motion for contempt for violations of stipulated permanent injunction filed 12/15/25.

FTC v. CHASE NISSAN, No. 3:24-cv-12 (D. Conn.)

Parties: Chase Nissan LLC d/b/a Manchester City Nissan
Patrick Dibre
Refaat Soboh
Michael Hamadi
Aiham Alkhatib
Matthew Chmielinski
Fred Mojica
State of Connecticut (co-plaintiff)

Assigned Attorneys: Samuel Jacobson (BCP/FP)
Edward Smith
Paul Mezan
Dan Hanks
Dan Dwyer
Julia Heald

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive and unfair acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act in connection with systematically deceiving consumers about the price of certified used cars, add-ons, and government fees.

Status: Complaint filed 1/4/24.
Amended complaint filed 1/19/24.
Defendants' answer to amended complaint filed 3/4/24.
Plaintiffs' summary judgment motions filed 4/21/25; defendants' opposition filed 7/11/25; plaintiffs' summary judgment reply filed 8/6/25.
Stipulated orders for permanent injunction and monetary judgment against Chmielinski and Mojica entered 10/1/25.

FTC v. CHEGG, INC., No. 5:25-cv-07827 (N.D. Cal.)

Parties: Chegg, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Evan Mendelson (BCP/ENF)
Sana Chaudhry

Alleged Conduct: Violations of the Restore Online Shoppers' Confidence Act in connection defendant's advertising, marketing, and selling of educational products and services through its websites.

Status: Complaint filed 9/15/25.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction, monetary judgment, and other relief entered 9/18/25; case terminated.

FTC v. CLICK PROFIT LLC, No. 1:25-cv-20973 (S.D. Fla.)

Parties: Click Profit LLC
SA Automation Enterprise LLC
M23 Holding, LLC
Click Profit Distribution LLC
Automation Industries LLC
M7 Investments LLC
Express Ecom LLC
Ecom Direct LLC
Craig Emslie
Patrick McGeoghean
Jason Masri
William Holton

Assigned Attorneys: Lisa Bohl (MRW)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the Consumer Review Fairness Act, the Business Opportunity Rule, and the Trade Impersonation Rule in connection with a business opportunity scheme for consumers to become owners of e-commerce stores.

Status: Complaint filed 3/3/25.
TRO entered as to all defendants 3/5/25; extended 4/4/25.
Stipulated preliminary injunction orders as to all defendants entered 4/21/25.
Stipulated orders for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to all defendants entered 8/26/25.

FTC v. CREDIT BUREAU CENTER, LLC, No. 23-853 (S. Ct.); No. 21-2945 (7th Cir.), No. 1:17-cv-00194 (N.D. Ill.); ***FTC v. LLOYD***, No. 25-3049 (7th Cir.)

Parties: Credit Bureau Center, LLC, f/k/a MyScore, LLC d/b/a efreescore.com,

creditupdates.com, and freecreditnation.com
Michael Brown
Danny Pierce
Andrew Lloyd

Assigned Attorneys: Lisa Bohl (MWR)
Robert Zuver (OGC)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the Restore Online Shoppers' Confidence Act, and the Fair Credit Reporting Act in connection with the marketing of credit monitoring services.

Status: Complaint filed 1/10/17.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to defendants Danny Pierce and Andrew Lloyd entered 10/26/17.
Defendant Andrew Lloyd's motion to vacate the consent judgment filed 7/11/25; FTC's response filed 8/26/25; Lloyd's reply filed 9/19/25.
Opinion and order denying Lloyd's motion entered 10/27/25.
Lloyd's notice of appeal filed 11/12/25.

FTC v. DEERE & CO., No. 3:25-cv-50017 (N.D. Ill.)

Parties: Deere & Co.
States of Illinois, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Arizona, and Michigan (co-plaintiffs)

Assigned Attorneys: Laura Hall (BC/Litigation Group)
Melissa Westman-Cherry (BC/ACP I)
Joseph M. Conrad
Austin Heyroth
Alok Narahari
Jack Parke
Sophia Qasir
Rachel F. Sifuentes (MWR)

Alleged Conduct: Unfair methods of competition in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, Section 2 of the Sherman Act, and state antitrust laws in connection with the repair of agricultural equipment.

Status: Complaint filed 1/15/25.
Amended complaint to add states of Arizona, Wisconsin and the People of Michigan filed 2/7/25.
Defendant's answer and affirmative defenses to amended complaint filed 3/17/25.

Defendant's motion for judgment on the pleadings filed 3/17/25;
Plaintiffs' opposition filed 4/28/25.
Opinion and order denying defendant's motion for judgment on the
pleadings entered 6/9/25.

FTC v. DOXO, INC., No. 2:24-cv-569 (W.D. Wash.)

Parties: Doxo, Inc.
Steve Shivers
Roger Parks

Assigned Attorneys: Edward Smith (BCP/FP)
James Doty
Wendy Miller

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the
Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, and the Restore Online Shoppers' Confidence
Act in connection with the use of misleading search ads to impersonate
consumers' billers and deceptive design practices to mislead consumers
about junk fees.

Status: Complaint filed 4/25/24.
Defendants' motion to dismiss for failure to state a claim filed 6/24/24;
response filed 7/15/24; reply filed 7/22/24.
Order denying Defendants' motion to dismiss 3/21/25.
Answer filed 4/11/25.

FTC v. ECOLOGICAL FOX, LLC, No. 22-958 (S. Ct.); Nos. 19-1925, 19-2387, 19-2204, 19-
2306, 19-2387, 20-1594, 20-2215, 21-1452, 23-1742 (4th Cir.); No. 1:18-cv-03309 (D.
Md.)

Parties: Ecological Fox, LLC
Luke Chadwick
Andris Pukke a/k/a Marc Romeo a/k/a Andy Storm
Peter Baker
Global Property Alliance, Inc. d/b/a Sanctuary Bay, Sanctuary Belize, The
Reserve, Kanantik, Laguna Palms, Bamboo Springs, Eco Futures,
Eco Futures Development, Eco Futures Belize, Sittee River
Wildlife Reserve, Buy Belize, Buy International
Sittee River Wildlife Reserve d/b/a Sanctuary Bay d/b/a Sanctuary Belize
d/b/a The Reserve
Buy Belize, LLC d/b/a Sanctuary Bay d/b/a Sanctuary Belize d/b/a The
Reserve d/b/a Kanantik d/b/a Laguna Palms d/b/a Bamboo Springs

Buy International, Inc. d/b/a Sanctuary Bay d/b/a Sanctuary Belize d/b/a
The Reserve d/b/a Kanantik d/b/a Laguna Palms d/b/a Bamboo
Springs
Foundation Development Management Inc.
Eco-Futures Development d/b/a Sanctuary Bay d/b/a Sanctuary Belize
d/b/a The Reserve
Eco-Futures Belize Limited d/b/a Sanctuary Bay d/b/a Sanctuary Belize
d/b/a The Reserve
Power Haus Marketing
Brandi Greenfield
BG Marketing, LLC
Prodigy Management Group, LLC
John Usher
Rod Kazazi
Foundation Partners f/k/a Red Crane Advisors, Inc.
Frank Costanzo a/k/a Frank Green a/k/a Frank Peerless Green a/k/a Frank
Connelly a/k/a Frank Connelly-Costanzo
Belize Real Estate Affiliates, LLC d/b/a Coldwell Banker Belize d/b/a
Coldwell Banker Southern Belize
Exotic Investor, LLC d/b/a Coldwell Banker Belize d/b/a Coldwell Banker
Southern Belize
Southern Blaze Realty, LLC d/b/a Coldwell Banker Belize d/b/a Coldwell
Banker Southern Belize
Sanctuary Belize Property Owners' Association d/b/a The Reserve
Property Owners' Association
Atlantic International Bank, Ltd.
Angela Chittenden
Beach Bunny Holdings, LLC
The Estate of John Pukke a/k/a The Estate of Janis Pukke a/k/a The Estate
of John Andris Pukke
John Vipulis
Deborah Connelly
Newport Land Group, LLC a/k/a Laguna Palms a/k/a Sanctuary Belize
a/k/a Bamboo Springs a/k/a The Reserve Michael Santos
Proposed Intervenors, Yu Lin, Quan Lin, Jamie Teng, Juliana
Tengonciang, Alfonso Kolb Jr., Jasmin Tengonciang, Roel Pahl,
Clarissa Tengonciang, Allan Prijoles, Mary Jane Prijoles, Darren
Christian, Chan Martin, Julie Santos, David Heiman, and
Heartland Property Group, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Benjamin Theisman (BCP/ENF)
Christopher Erickson
Brad Grossman (OGC)
Ben Aiken

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the Telemarketing Sales Rule, and prior court orders in connection with the marketing and sale of real estate investments and related services.

Status: Complaint filed 10/31/18.
TRO entered 11/11/18.
Motion for interim preliminary injunction filed 11/15/18; response in opposition filed 11/16/18; reply filed 11/18/18.
Order extending TRO, to remain in effect as an interim preliminary injunction through the conclusion of a show cause hearing, entered 11/20/18.
Defendant Atlantic International Bank, LTD's motion to dismiss filed 12/14/18; response in opposition filed 1/22/19; defendant's response filed 1/31/19.
Defendant Andris Pukke's motion to transfer case to the Central District of California filed 12/14/18.
Notice of appeal from 11/20/18 order by defendant Atlantic National Bank filed 12/19/18.
Commission's amended complaint filed 1/15/19.
Order denying defendant Atlantic International Bank's motion to dismiss entered 2/1/19.
Order denying defendant Andris Pukke's motion to dismiss certain claims in the amended complaint entered 3/4/19.
Commission's motion to hold defendants John Vipulis, Peter Baker, Andris Pukke, and John Usher in contempt filed 3/5/19; response in opposition filed by defendant Peter Baker 3/7/19.
Preliminary injunction hearing held 3/11/19-3/22/19.
Motion to dismiss for failure to state a claim by defendant Michael Santos filed 3/18/19; Commission's response filed 4/1/19.
Order modifying interim preliminary injunction entered 3/28/19.
Order granting Commission's motion to stay proceedings as to defendants Frank Costanzo, Ecological Fox, LLC, and Deborah Connelly entered 4/4/19.
Motion to dismiss for lack of jurisdiction by defendant Atlantic International Bank, LTD filed 4/4/19; Commission's response filed 6/7/19.
Order denying defendant Andris Pukke's motion to dismiss entered 4/30/19.
Appellant Atlantic International Bank, LTD's (No. 19-1925) opening brief filed 5/14/19; Commission's response brief filed 6/12/19.
Commission's motion for stay of proceedings as to defendants Frank Costanzo, Ecological Fox LLC, and Deborah Connelly filed 7/23/19; order granting motion entered 7/26/19.
Commission's proposed preliminary injunction filed 8/12/19; defendant Chadwick's opposition to proposed preliminary injunction filed

8/22/19; Commission's reply in support of preliminary injunction filed 9/3/19.

Defendant Chadwick's motion to dismiss for lack of jurisdiction filed 8/22/19; Commission's response to motion filed 8/27/19; order denying motion to dismiss entered 9/5/19.

Order extending stay of litigation against Atlantic International Bank entered 9/6/19.

Joint motion to dismiss Atlantic International Bank's appeal (No. 19-1925) filed 9/10/19.

Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment against defendant Atlantic International Bank entered 9/25/19.

Preliminary injunction as to defendants Andris Pukke, Peter Baker, Luke Chadwick, John Usher, Certain Corporate Defendants, and the estate of John Pukke entered 10/3/19.

Memorandum opinion and order addressing calculation of equitable monetary relief entered 10/17/19.

Order that defendants are not entitled to jury trials on the contempt motions entered 10/22/19.

Notice of appeal of preliminary injunction by defendant Peter Baker (No. 19-2306) filed 10/25/19.

Notice of appeal of preliminary injunction by defendant Andris Pukke (No. 19-2204) filed 10/29/19.

Notice of appeal of preliminary injunction by defendant Luke Chadwick (No. 19-2387) filed 12/2/19; order dismissing appeal for failure to prosecute entered 4/17/20.

Baker's opening brief filed 12/27/19; Pukke's opening brief filed 12/30/19; Commission's answering brief to Baker and Pukke appeals filed 2/3/20; opinion affirming preliminary injunction issued 2/24/20.

Stipulated final orders for permanent injunction and monetary judgment against Brandi Greenfield, BG Marketing LLC, Rod Kazazi, and Foundation Partners entered 1/4/20.

Stipulated final order against relief defendants Angela Chittenden and Beach Bunny Holdings LLC entered 1/10/20.

Bench trial held 1/21/20 through 2/12/20.

Order denying motion by Peter Baker to dismiss the case as sanction against FTC entered 4/22/20.

Notice of appeal by Peter Baker (No. 20-1594) filed 5/26/20.

Baker's opening brief filed 6/23/20; Commission's response brief filed 7/10/20.

Baker's appeal dismissed 9/28/20.

Notice of appeal (No. 20-2215) by Andris Pukke filed 11/9/20.

Final order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment against Defendants Andris Pukke, Peter Baker, and Luke Chadwick entered 1/13/21.

Final order of contempt against Defendants Andris Pukke, Peter Baker, and John Usher entered 1/13/21.

Amended final order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment entered 3/24/21.

Notices of appeal filed 4/20/21, 4/21/21, 4/29/21, 5/3/21, 5/14/21.

All appeals except Luke Chadwick's consolidated 5/18/21.

Appellants' motions for summary disposition filed 7/11/21; Commission's opposition filed 7/16/21; order deferring decision on motion entered 7/19/21.

Appellants' opening brief in consolidated appeals (No. 20-2215) filed 8/12/21; FTC's response brief filed 11/18/21; brief by Receiver filed 11/18/21; Appellants' reply brief filed 12/22/21.

Motion to intervene in district court proceeding by Yu Lin, Quan Lin, Jamie Teng, Juliana Tengonciang, Alfonso Kolb Jr., Jasmin Tengonciang, Roel Pahl, Clarissa Tengonciang, Allan Prijoles, Mary Jane Prijoles, Darren Christian, Chan Martin, Julie Santos, David Heiman, and Heartland Property Group, Inc, investors in a defendant company who seek to challenge orders placing company's assets in receivership, filed 11/12/21; Commission's opposition filed 12/13/21; reply filed 10/27/21.

Order granting joint motion for an indicative ruling that Court would enter proposed stipulated order resolving all matters in dispute between FTC and stipulating defendants, if the Fourth Circuit remanded for that purpose, entered 3/8/22.

Fourth Circuit order remanding appeals for limited purpose of adopting a settlement decree entered 3/17/22.

Stipulated order modifying final order for permanent injunction and monetary relief as to Luke Chadwick, Prodigy Management Group LLC, Belize Real Estate Affiliates LLC, Exotic Investor LLC, and Southern Belize Realty LLC, entered 3/24/22.

Commission motion to dismiss appeal by Luke Chadwick, Exotic Investor, and Prodigy Management filed 3/24/22; opposition to dismissal by nonparties (Kanantik entities) filed 4/1/22; Commission reply filed 4/4/22; order dismissing appeal, ruling Kanantik entities lack appellate standing, entered 6/16/22.

Order by district court denying motion to intervene by Yu Lin et al. entered 6/23/22.

Notices of appeal from denial of motions to intervene and set aside judgment Yu Lin et al. filed 7/8/22 and 7/13/22. Oral argument in consolidated appeals held 9/13/22.

Yu Lin appellants' opening brief filed 8/19/22; FTC's brief filed 10/21/22; appellants' reply brief filed 11/14/22.

Opinion affirming injunctive relief against all defendants, contempt sanction against individual defendants, and district court's finding that Pukke must pay remaining balance of monetary judgment

from AmeriDebt, but vacating equitable monetary relief judgment against individual defendants in light of AMG, entered 11/1/22.
Order denying petition for rehearing and rehearing *en banc* by Andris Pukke entered 12/30/22.
Commission's motion to reform and reaffirm final orders filed 1/31/23; Defendants' response filed 2/6/23; Commission's reply filed 2/21/23.
Oral argument in Yu Lin appeal held 3/8/23.
Petition for certiorari by Pukke, Baker, and Usher filed 3/30/23; FTC opposition brief filed 6/2/23; reply brief filed 7/15/23; petition denied 10/2/23.
Receiver's motion for settlement and motion for order approving settlement with Jorge Diaz-Cueto and Bella Mar Estates filed 4/7/23; order granting motion entered 4/20/23.
Defendants' motion for return of property filed 5/5/23; Commission's response filed 5/11/23.
Order granting in part, denying in part Commission's motion to reform and reaffirm final orders and denying defendant's motion for return of property entered 5/31/23.
Order implementing next stage of consumer redress entered 6/14/23.
Order reforming and reaffirming final orders entered 6/15/23.
Notice of appeal (No. 23-1742) by Peter Baker, Andris Pukke, and John Usher filed 7/14/23; opening brief filed 9/26/23; FTC response brief filed 11/17/23; reply brief filed 12/8/23.
Opinion affirming the receivership and asset freeze portions of prior orders issued on 12/12/24.
Receiver motion to sell Sanctuary Belize and Kanantik filed 3/10/25.
Bob Yari motion to intervene related to Receiver's request to sell Sanctuary Belize and Kanantik filed 3/12/25; Receiver's opposition filed 3/24/25; FTC opposition to motion to intervene filed 3/26/25; Yari reply filed 4/7/25.
Order denying Yari motion to intervene entered 5/13/25.
Order granting Receiver motion to sell Sanctuary Belize and Kanantik entered 5/13/25.
Receiver motion for approval of redress distributions filed 10/24/25; FTC correspondence in support filed 12/19/25.

FTC v. ECOM GENIE CONSULTING LLC, No. 1:24-cv-23976 (S.D. Fla.)

Parties: Ecom Genie Consulting LLC
Lunar Capital Ventures LLC d/b/a Lunar Automation
Profitable Automation LLC
Steven J. Mayer
Trevor Duffy Young
Wessam Baiz

Alpine Management Group, Inc.
Baiz Sales LLC
Salespreneurs LLC
Vicenza Capital Corp. f/k/a Steven Mayer Lux Corp.

Assigned Attorneys: Molly Rucki (BCP/MP)
Sara Tonnesen

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Business Opportunity Rule in connection with the use of misrepresentations to advertise e-commerce investment and business opportunities.

Status: Complaint filed 10/15/24.
Ex parte TRO with asset freeze and appointment of receiver entered 10/21/24.
Preliminary injunction as to defendants Lunar Capital Ventures LLC and Profitable Automation LLC entered 11/4/24.
Stipulated preliminary injunction as to defendant Trevor D. Young entered 11/21/24.
Stipulated preliminary injunction as to defendants Wessam Baiz, Baiz Sales LLC, and Salespreneurs LLC entered 11/25/24.
Stipulated preliminary injunction as to defendants Steven J. Mayer, Ecom Genie Consulting LLC, Alpine Management Group, Inc., and Vicenza Capital Corp. entered 11/25/24.
Notice of joint liability, in connection with entry of default as to defendants Lunar Capital Ventures LLC and Profitable Automation LLC, filed 11/26/24.
Stipulated orders for permanent injunction and monetary judgement as to defendants Trevor D. Young, Wessam Baiz, Baiz Sales LLC, and Salespreneurs LLC entered 03/19/25.
Stipulated orders for permanent injunction and monetary judgement as to defendants Steven J. Mayer, Ecom Genie Consulting LLC, Alpine Management Group Inc., Vicenza Capital Corp., Lunar Capital Ventures LLC, and Profitable Automation LLC entered 7/18/25.

FTC v. FITNESS INTERNATIONAL LLC, No. 8:25-cv-1841 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties: Fitness International LLC
Fitness and Sports Clubs LLC

Assigned Attorneys: Serena Mosely-Day (SWR)
Reid Tepfer
Edward Hynes

Alleged Conduct: Violations of Section 5 of the FTC Act and Section 4 of the Restore Online Shoppers' Confidence Act in connection with gym membership recurring charges and cancellation processes.

Status: Complaint filed 8/20/25.
Motion to dismiss by Defendants filed 12/3/25.
Amended complaint filed 12/23/25.

FTC v. THEFBAMACHINE INC., No. 24-cv-6635 (D.N.J.)

Parties: TheFBAMachine Inc.
Passive Scaling Inc.
Sales Support New Jersey Inc.
1HR Deliveries Inc.
Hourly Relief Inc.
3PL Logistic Automation Inc.
FBA Support NJ Corp.
Daily Distro LLC
Closter Green, d/b/a Wraith & Co.
Bratislav Rozenfeld, a/k/a Steven Rozenfeld and Steven Rozen
Amanda Rozenfeld, a/k/a Amanda Peremen and Amanada Peremen

Assigned Attorneys: Miry Kim (BCP/DMP)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive and unfair acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the Business Opportunity Rule, and the Consumer Review Fairness Act in connection with offering automated online stores purporting to use AI-enhanced software.

Status: Complaint filed 6/3/24.
Ex parte TRO with asset freeze and appointment of receiver entered 6/3/24.
Amended complaint filed 6/14/24.
Stipulated preliminary injunction as to corporate defendants and Bratislav Rozenfeld entered 8/7/24.
Commission's emergency motion for order to show cause as to why corporate defendants and Bratislav Rozenfeld should not be held in contempt filed 8/29/24; order to show cause entered 8/30/24; corporate defendants' response filed 9/18/24.
Second amended complaint filed 10/15/24.
Motion to intervene by Zoeller Pump Company intervene filed 12/6/24.
Stipulated Order for Monetary Judgment as to Relief Defendant Amanda Rozenfeld entered 5/12/25.
Commission motion for summary judgment filed 5/9/25.
Order granting motion to stay to consider final settlement entered

6/4/25.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment entered
7/31/25.

FTC v. FLEETCOR TECHNOLOGIES, INC., No. 23-12539 (11th Cir.); No. 1:19-cv-05727
(N.D. Ga.)

Parties: FleetCor Technologies, Inc.
Ronald Clarke

Assigned Attorneys: Daniel Hanks (BCP/FP)
James Doty
Matthew Hoffman (OGC)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive and unfair acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the
FTC Act in connection with the advertising, marketing, and offering of
commercial fuel card products.

Status: Complaint filed 12/20/19.
Commission motion for summary judgment filed 4/16/21; Defendants'
cross motion for partial summary judgment and opposition to
Commission's motion filed 5/16/21; Commission response filed
6/18/21.
Commission motion to stay pending resolution of administrative litigation
or dismiss without prejudice filed 8/13/21; Defendants' response
filed 8/27/21; Commission reply filed 9/10/21; motion denied
2/7/22.
Order granting Commission's motion for summary judgment entered
8/9/22.
Commission's motion for permanent injunction and other relief filed
12/19/22; Defendants' opposition filed 1/20/23; Commission's
reply filed 2/3/23.
Order granting Commission's motion for permanent injunction entered
6/8/23.
Notice of appeal filed 8/4/23.
Appellants' opening brief filed 11/1/23; Commission's response brief filed
1/29/24; reply brief filed 2/20/24.
Oral argument held 1/21/25.

FTC v. GOLDEN SUNRISE NUTRACEUTICAL, INC., No. 1:20-cv-01060 (E.D. Cal.)

Parties: Golden Sunrise Nutraceutical, Inc.
Golden Sunrise Pharmaceutical, Inc.
Huu Tieu

Stephen Meis

Assigned Attorneys: Edward Hynes (SWR)
Reid Tepfer

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Sections 5(a) and 12 of the FTC Act in connection with the marketing and sale of purported COVID-19, cancer, and Parkinson's disease treatments.

Status: Complaint filed 07/30/20.
TRO entered 08/05/20.
Stipulated preliminary injunctions entered 08/27/20.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to Defendant Stephen Meis entered 6/11/21.
Motion for summary judgment as to defendants Golden Sunrise Nutraceutical, Inc., Golden Sunrise Pharmaceutical, Inc., and Huu Tieu filed 10/1/21.
Motion to self-represent by Huu Tieu on behalf of himself, Golden Sunrise Nutraceutical, and Golden Sunrise Pharmaceutical filed 6/21/22; motion denied 6/23/22.
Opposition to FTC's summary judgment motion by Huu Tieu filed 11/03/22; order striking opposition as untimely entered 12/14/22.
FTC status reports filed 4/11/24 and 7/30/24.
FTC's motion for summary judgment granted 9/30/25.
Judgment and order for permanent injunction entered 10/20/25.

FTC v. GRAND CANYON EDUCATION, No. 2:23-cv-2711 (D. Ariz.)

Parties: Grand Canyon Education
Grand Canyon University
Brian Mueller

Assigned Attorneys: Michael Tankersley (BCP/FP)
Carlton Mosley
Patrick Roy
Gregory Ashe
Laura Antonini

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act in connection with advertising that the defendant's University is a non-profit institution and misrepresentations regarding doctoral programs.

Status: Complaint filed 12/27/23.
Defendants' motions to dismiss filed 2/9/24; FTC's opposition filed 2/29/24; replies filed 3/124 and 3/7/24.

Order granting in part and denying in part motion to dismiss by Grand Canyon University and Brian Mueller, and denying motion to dismiss by Grand Canyon Education, entered 8/15/24.

First amended complaint filed, 9/5/24.

Motion to dismiss by Grand Canyon University filed, 9/26/24;

Commission's opposition filed 10/10/24; reply filed 10/17/24.

Order granting motion to dismiss by Grand Canyon University entered 3/6/25.

Stipulation of dismissal with prejudice as to Grand Canyon Education and Brian Mueller filed 8/15/25.

FTC v. GREYSTAR REAL ESTATE PARTNERS, LLC, No. 1:25-cv-165 (D. Colo).

Parties: Greystar Real Estate Partners LLC
GREP General Partner LLC
Greystar Management Service, LLC
Greystar RS National LLC
Greystar California, Inc.
GREP Southwest LLC
State of Colorado (co-plaintiff)

Assigned Attorneys: Samantha Bennett (WR-SF)
Roberta Tonelli
Spencer Scoville
Alyssa Wu
Christian Glover

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, and the Colorado Consumer Protect Act in connection with misrepresentations in advertisements and listings for rental housing regarding the total monthly cost.

Status: Complaint filed 1/16/225.
Defendants' motion to dismiss for failure to state a claim filed 4/16/25;
Plaintiffs' opposition filed 5/16/25; Defendants' reply filed 6/6/25.
Stipulated Order for permanent injunction, monetary judgment, and other relief entered 12/12/25.

FTC v. GROWTH CAVE LLC, No. 2:25-cv-1115 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties: Growth Cave LLC
Apex Mind LLC
Lucas Lee-Tyson
Osmany Batte

Jordan Marksberry
LLT Research LLC
Friendly Solar, Inc. (Relief Defendant)

Assigned Attorneys: Maris Snell (ECR)
Adrienne Jenkins
Harris Senturia
Miles Freeman (WR-LA)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the Credit Repair Organizations Act, the Business Opportunity Rule, and the Reviews and Testimonials Rule in connection with the promotion and sale of business opportunities and a credit repair system.

Status: Complaint filed 2/10/25.
Ex parte TRO entered 2/13/25.
Stipulated preliminary injunction as to defendant Marksberry entered 3/5/25.
Stipulated preliminary injunction as to defendants Apex Mind and Batte entered 3/26/25.
Stipulated preliminary injunction as to defendants Growth Cave and Lee-Tyson entered 4/1/25.
Amended complaint filed 5/9/25.
Trial set for 4/14/26.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction, monetary judgment, and other relief as to defendant Marksberry entered 8/25/25.

FTC v. INTERNATIONAL MARKETS LIVE, INC., No. 2:25-cv-00760 (D. Nev.)

Parties: International Markets Live, Inc., also d/b/a IYOVIA, iMarketsLive, IM Mastery Academy, and IM Academy
IM Mastery Academy, Ltd., f/k/a International Markets Live, Ltd.
Assiduous, Inc.
Global Dynasty Network, LLC
Christopher Terry
Isis Terry, f/k/a Isis De La Torre
Jason Brown
Alex Morton
Matthew Rosa
Brandon Boyd
State of Nevada (co-plaintiff)

Assigned Attorneys: Thomas M. Biesty (BCP/DMP)
Laura C. Basford
J. Ronald Brooke, Jr.

Josh Doan

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices violating Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the Restore Online Shoppers' Confidence Act, and the Telemarketing Sales Rule, in connection with the marketing and sale of Trading Training Services and a business venture as part of a multi-level marketing scheme.

Status: Complaint filed 5/1/25.
Motion for preliminary injunction filed 5/30/25; oppositions filed 6/27/25; replies filed 7/11/25.
Stay of litigation as to Defendants Global Dynasty Network, Jason Brown, and Matthew Rosa to permit Commission review of proposed settlement entered 6/17/25.
Stipulated preliminary injunction with Defendant Alex Morton entered 6/30/25.
Answer by Defendants International Markets Live, Inc., IM Mastery Academy Ltd., Assiduous, Inc., Christopher Terry, and Isis Terry ("IML Defendants) filed 7/07/25.
FTC motion to strike affirmative defenses filed 7/28/25; opposition filed 8/11/25; reply filed 8/18/25.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary relief against Defendants Global Dynasty Network, Jason Brown, and Matthew Rosa entered 8/08/25.
Preliminary injunction entered 8/11/25; modified 8/18/25.
Motion to intervene by P. Sterling Kerr filed 8/20/25; FTC opposition filed 9/03/25; reply filed 9/10/25; motion denied 10/21/25.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary relief against Defendant Brandon Boyd entered 8/20/25.
Motion for order to show cause for contempt against IML Defendants for violations of modified preliminary injunction filed 8/29/25; opposition filed 9/02/25; motion denied 9/03/25.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary relief against Defendant Alex Morton entered 9/04/25.
Emergency motion to modify preliminary injunction by FTC filed 10/16/25; opposition filed 10/20/25.
Motion for declaratory relief by proposed intervenor Kerr filed 10/20/25; denied 10/30/25.
Motion to intervene by Beach Music filed 10/20/25; denied 10/24/25.
Second modified preliminary injunction entered 10/28/25.
Third modified preliminary injunction entered 11/07/25.
Motion to amend third modified PI by IML Defendants filed 11/18/25; opposition filed 12/2/25; reply filed 12/9/25.

FTC v. KARS-R-US.COM, No. 2:25-cv-09150 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties: Kars-R-U.S.com, Inc., also d/b/a Donate Car 2 Veterans and
Donation2Charity.com
Michael Irwin
Lisa Frank
States of Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida,
Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, New York, North Carolina,
Oklahoma, Oregon, South Carolina, Utah, West Virginia,
Wisconsin, and Commonwealth of Virginia (co-plaintiffs)

Assigned Attorneys: Elsie Kappler (BCP/MP)
Joseph Brooke
Miry Kim
David Hankin

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive and unfair practices in violation of Section 5 of the FTC Act
and state statutes in connection with soliciting charitable donations.

Status: Complaint filed 9/25/25.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction, monetary judgment, and other
relief entered 10/21/25; case terminated.

FTC v. KOCHAVA, INC., 2:22-cv-00377 (D. Idaho)

Parties: Kochava, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Brian Shull (BCP/DPIP)
Jennifer Rimm
Julia Horwitz
Elizabeth Scott
Erik Jones
Michael Sherling

Alleged Conduct: Unfair practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act in connection
with data broker's sale of consumer data, including data that reveal
consumers' visits to sensitive locations.

Status: Complaint filed 8/29/22.
Motion to dismiss for failure to state a claim filed 10/28/22; FTC's
opposition filed 11/18/22; Kochava's reply filed 12/2/22; hearing
on motion to dismiss held 2/21/23; motion to dismiss granted with
leave to amend 5/4/23.
First amended complaint filed 6/05/23.

Motion to dismiss for failure to state a claim filed 7/5/23; FTC's opposition filed 8/9/23; Kochava's reply filed 8/30/23; FTC sur-reply filed 9/7/23.

Motion to dismissed denied 2/3/24.

Second amended complaint filed 7/15/24.

Motion by Kochava to dismiss for failure to state a claim filed 10/7/24; Commission's opposition filed 10/28/24; reply filed 11/12/24; defendants' supplement filed 1/22/25.

Motion to dismiss second amended complaint denied 2/3/25.

Motion to strike defendants' affirmation defenses and request for jury trial filed 3/7/25; defendants' opposition filed 3/28/25; FTC reply filed 4/9/25.

Motion to strike defendants' affirmative defenses granted in part and denied in part 7/1/25.

FTC v. K W TECHNOLOGY, INC., No. 1:23-cv-06633 (E.D.N.Y)

Parties: K W Technology Inc.
K W Technology NV Inc.
Gary Kong
Timothy Wetzel

Assigned Attorneys: Robin Rock (SER)
Joseph (Nate) Watson

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive and unfair acts and practices in violation of Sections 5(a) and 12 of the FTC Act and the Covid-19 Consumer Protection Act in connection with the advertising and sale of the 1 Virus Buster Invisible Mask.

Status: Complaint filed 10/23/23.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction to monetary order as to KW Technology Inc and Gary Kong filed 10/24/23.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction to monetary order as to KW Technology NV Inc and Gary Kong filed 10/24/23.
Motion to dismiss by Timothy Wetzel filed 10/31/24; FTC's opposition filed 12/6/24.
Magistrate judge's report and recommendation that defendant Wetzel's motion to dismiss be denied entered 8/25/25.
Order adopting report and recommendation denying motion to dismiss entered 9/17/25.

FTC v. LINDSAY CHEVROLET, ET AL., No. 1:24-cv-2362 (E.D. Va.)

Parties: Lindsay Management Company, LLC
Lindsay Chevrolet, L.L.C., d/b/a Lindsay Chevrolet of Woodbridge
Lindsay Ford, LLC, d/b/a Lindsay Ford of Wheaton
Lindsay Motors, LLC, d/b/a Lindsay Chrysler-Dodge-Jeep-Ram
Michael Lindsay
John Smallwood
Paul Smyth
Maryland Attorney General (co-plaintiff)

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Jamie Brooks
Adam Saltzman
Jason Sanders

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive and unfair acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, and the MD Consumer Protection Act in connection with advertising, sale, and financing of motor vehicles.

Status: Complaint filed 12/27/24.
Order denying Defendants' motion for partial judgment on the pleadings entered 6/30/25.
FTC's motion for summary judgment, and Defendants' partial cross motion, filed 9/10/25; opposition briefs filed 10/1/25; reply briefs filed 12/5/25.

FTC v. MAPLEBEAR, INC., No. 4:25-cv-10783 (N.D. Cal)

Parties: Maplebear Inc., d/b/a Instacart

Assigned Attorneys: Alan Bakowski (SER)
Christopher Gleason

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5 of the FTC Act and Section 4 of the Restore online Shoppers' Confidence Act in connection with Defendant's grocery delivery services.

Status: Complaint filed 12/18/25.
Joint motion for stipulated order for permanent injunction, monetary judgment, and other relief filed 12/18/25.

FTC v. MEDIA ALPHA, No. 2:25-cv-7263 (C.D. Cal)

Parties: MediaAlpha, Inc., also d/b/a QuoteLab, Corp.
QuoteLab, LLC, also d/b/a Media Alpha LLC

Assigned Attorneys: Matthew Schiltz (MWR)
Rachel Granetz

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5 of the FTC Act, the
Telemarketing Sales Rule, and the Government and Business
Impersonation Rule in connection with operation of a lead exchange
platform.

Status: Complaint and proposed settlement order filed 8/6/25.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction, monetary judgment, and other
relief entered 10/16/25.

FTC v. META PLATFORMS, INC., No. 1:20-cv-3590 (D.D.C.)

Parties: Meta Platforms, Inc., f/k/a Facebook, Inc.

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Karen Goff (WRSF)
Christopher Harris (BC/Merger IV)
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Nicholas Widnell (BC/Mergers I)

Alleged Conduct: Unfair methods of competition in violation of Section 5 of the FTC Act in connection with the illegal maintenance of a personal social networking monopoly through a years-long course of anticompetitive conduct including the acquisition of rivals.

Status: Complaint filed 12/9/20.
Facebook motion to dismiss filed 3/10/21; Commission opposition filed 4/7/21; Facebook reply filed 4/21/21; motion granted, order dismissing without prejudice entered 6/28/21.
Amended complaint filed 8/19/21.
Facebook motion to dismiss FTC's amended complaint filed 10/4/21; Commission opposition filed 11/17/21; Facebook reply filed 12/1/21; motion denied 1/11/22.
Meta motion for summary judgment filed 4/5/24; FTC motion for partial summary judgment filed 5/24/24; FTC updated memorandum in support of motion for partial summary judgment filed 6/4/24; Meta reply in support of motion of summary judgment and opposition to FTC motion for partial summary judgment filed 7/12/24; FTC reply in support of motion for partial summary judgment filed 8/9/24; parties' motions denied 11/13/24.
Meta's pretrial brief filed 4/7/25; FTC's pretrial brief filed 4/10/25.
Trial began 4/14/25; ended 5/27/25.
Memorandum opinion and order entering judgment for Defendant entered 11/18/25.

FTC v. MYTEL INTERNATIONAL, INC., No. 2:87-cv-7259 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties: Mytel International, Inc.
Gilbert Michaels
Gerald Feldman
GNM Financial Services, Inc.
Thomas Hill
Holly LaRue

Assigned Attorneys: Kimberly Nelson (BCP/E)
Taylor Bates
John Jacobs (WR-LA)

Alleged Conduct: Post-judgment civil contempt proceeding related to violation of a Stipulated Final Order and Judgment entered in 1988 concerning allegations of deceptive marketing of photocopier and office supplies in violation of Section 5 of the FTC Act.

Status: Final judgment entered 11/16/88.
Commission's motion for contempt filed 4/17/14.
Order granting defendants' motion for stay entered 11/6/14; order lifting stay entered 4/15/15.
Evidentiary hearing held 1/27/15.
Order granting defendants' motion for a stay pending outcome of parallel criminal proceeding against defendants Michaels and Feldman entered 8/5/16.
Order lifting stay entered 4/14/22.
Defendants Feldman, GNM Financial Services, and Michaels motions seeking criminal due process filed 5/31/22.
Order denying defendants' motions and denying dismissal of defendant Feldman entered 8/11/22.
FTC motion for summary judgment against Feldman filed 12/15/23.
Stipulated orders resolving claims against estate of Michaels, Mytel, and GNM Financial entered 1/3/24.
Order denying FTC motion for summary judgment as to defendant Feldman entered 3/18/25.
Motion by Feldman for attorney's fees filed 6/18/25; FTC opposition to motion filed 7/16/25.
Order denying Feldman motion for attorneys' fees entered 8/29/25.

FTC v. NETFORCE SEMINARS, No. 2:00-cv-02260 (D. Ariz.)

Parties: Netforce Seminars
Scott Harris
Thomas Socca
J.D. Noland
Richard Slaback
Darin Epps
Edward Lamont

Assigned Attorneys: Evan Mendelson (BCP/ENF)
Jonathan Ware
Sarah Waldrop
James H. Davis

Alleged Conduct: Contempt action for violations of a 2002 permanent injunction in connection with a pyramid scheme.

Status: Stipulated final judgment and order for permanent injunction against J.D. Noland entered 7/2/02.
Motion for an order to show cause why James D. Noland, Jr., Success by Media Holdings Inc., and Success by Media LLC should not be held in contempt filed 1/17/20; Defendant J.D. Nolan response filed 2/20/20; Commission's reply filed 2/27/20.
Motion for order to show cause why Scott Harris and Thomas Sacca should not be held in contempt filed 4/10/20; Defendants' responses filed 6/15/20; Commission's reply filed 6/22/20.
Order granting motions to show cause in part and denying in part (court will address FTC's request for civil contempt sanctions after it resolves FTC's request for a permanent injunction in *FTC v. Noland*) entered 7/6/20.
Commission motion for sanctions for contempt against Defendants James D. Noland Jr., Scott Harris, Thomas Sacca, Success by Media, LLC, and Success by Media Holdings Inc. filed 6/23/21.
Contempt motion against the FTC by contempt defendants filed 2/24/22; Commission's opposition filed 3/10/22; contempt defendants' reply filed 3/16/22; motion denied 3/28/22.
Order denying without prejudice Commission's motion for contempt sanctions entered 3/22/22; motion for reconsideration denied 3/30/22.
Case consolidated with *FTC v. James Noland*, No. 2:20-cv-00047 (lead action), on 7/26/22 (see that case for further developments).

FTC v. NOLAND, Nos. 23-3757, 21-15767, 21-16679 (9th Cir.); No. 2:20-cv-00047 (D. Ariz.)

Parties: James D. Noland, Jr.
Lina Noland
Scott A. Harris
Thomas G. Sacca, Jr.
Success by Media Holdings Incorporated Success by Media d/b/a Success by Health
Success by Media, LLC, d/b/a Success by Health
Thomas G. Sacca

Assigned Attorneys: Evan Mendelson (BCP/ENF)
Jonathan Ware
Sarah Waldrop
Matt Weprin (OGC)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the Merchandise Rule, and the Cooling-Off Rule, in connection with a pyramid scheme.

Status:

Complaint filed 1/8/20.
TRO with asset freeze entered 1/8/20.
Amended complaint for permanent injunction filed 1/17/20.
TRO as to Thomas G. Sacca entered 1/17/20.
Preliminary injunction hearing held 2/12/20.
Preliminary injunction entered 2/27/20.
Defendants' motion to dismiss case or compel joinder of parties filed 7/28/20; Commission's opposition filed 7/31/20; reply filed 8/7/20; order denying motion entered 9/21/20.
Defendants' motion to dissolve or modify the preliminary injunction filed 9/7/20; Commission's opposition filed 9/21/20; reply filed 9/28/20; order denying motion entered 10/27/20.
Defendants' motion to stay pending the Supreme Court's decisions in *Credit Bureau Center* and *AMG Capital Mgmt* filed 10/21/20; Commission's opposition filed 11/4/20; reply filed 11/12/20; order denying stay entered 12/3/20.
Motion for sanctions against individual defendants for intentional spoliation of evidence filed 1/28/21; Defendants' opposition filed 2/19/21; Commission's reply filed 2/25/21.
Motion for summary judgment as to liability filed 3/12/21; Defendants' opposition filed 5/3/21; Commission's reply filed 6/28/21.
Order denying motion to intervene by Success by Health affiliates entered 4/1/21; notice of appeal by would-be intervenors filed 4/19/21; appellants' motion for voluntary dismissal of appeal granted 7/23/21.
Motion for preliminary injunction with asset freeze and receivership filed 5/18/21; Defendants' opposition filed 6/11/21; Commission's reply filed 6/16/21.
Commission's motion for summary judgment as to monetary remedies filed 6/23/21; defendants' opposition filed 8/6/21; Commission's reply filed 8/16/21.
Motion to dissolve the preliminary injunction order and stay or dismiss 13(b) proceedings by individual defendants filed 7/30/21; Commission's opposition filed 8/6/21; defendants' reply filed 8/13/21.
FTC motion for sanctions for intentional spoliation of evidence granted 8/30/21.
Order granting FTC's motion for summary judgment on liability entered 9/9/21.
Order granting FTC motion for preliminary injunction with asset freeze and receivership, and denying individual defendants' motion to dissolve preliminary injunction and stay or dismiss 13(b) proceedings, entered 9/23/21.
Notice of appeal of preliminary injunction order and denial of motion to dismiss by individual defendants filed 10/8/21.

Order denying FTC motion for summary judgment on remedies entered 11/23/21.
Motion for voluntary dismissal of appeal granted 12/14/21.
FTC's motion to apply summary judgment on liability order to corporate defendants filed 1/31/22; defendants' opposition filed 2/14/22; denied without prejudice 2/17/22.
Motion to set aside judgment by individual defendants filed 2/22/22; FTC's opposition filed 3/4/22; reply filed 3/10/22; denied 3/28/22.
Case consolidated with *FTC v. Netforce Seminars*, No. 2:00-cv-02260, on 7/26/22.
Bench trial held 1/25/23 to 2/10/23.
Commission's proposed final order as to individual defendants filed 5/24/23; individual defendants' objection filed 6/1/23; Commission's response filed 6/12/23; individual defendants' reply filed 6/13/23.
Order lifting stay as to corporate defendants entered 6/10/23.
Stipulated final orders for permanent injunction and monetary judgment against corporate defendants Success By Media Holdings Inc., Success By Media LLC, and Enhanced Capital Funding entered 9/18/23.
Final order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment against individual defendants James D. Noland, Jr., Lina Noland, Scott Harris, and Thomas G. Sacca entered 9/18/23.
Notice of appeal by Jay Noland, Lina Noland, Scott Harris, and Thomas Sacca filed 11/17/23.
Opening brief of defendant-appellants filed 6/24/24; answering brief filed 9/6/24; reply filed 10/30/24.
Oral argument held 3/27/25.
Opinion by Ninth Circuit upholding trial court decisions entered 11/24/25.
Motion for *en banc* review by individual defendants filed 12/9/25.

FTC v. QUINCY BIOSCIENCE HOLDING CO., INC., No. 25-12 (2d Cir.); No. 25-16 (2d Cir.); No. 17-3745 (2d Cir.); No. 17-3791 (2d Cir.); No. 1:17-cv-00124 (S.D.N.Y.)

Parties: Quincy Bioscience Holding Company, Inc.
Quincy Bioscience, LLC
Prevagen, Inc. d/b/a Sugar River Supplements
Quincy Bioscience Manufacturing, LLC
Mark Underwood
State of New York (co-plaintiff)

Assigned Attorneys: Christine Lee DeLorme (BCP/AP)
Edward Glennon
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Bradley D. Grossman (OGC)
Matthew Hoffman
Tom Byron

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Sections 5(a) and 12 of the FTC Act, the New York Executive Law, and the New York General Business Law, in connection with the marketing of defendants' purported memory improvement supplement, Prevagen.

Status: Complaint filed 1/9/17.
Motion to dismiss for failure to state a claim filed 4/6/17; Commission's opposition filed 4/25/17; reply filed 5/5/17; order granting motion entered 9/29/17.
Commission's notice of appeal filed 11/21/17.
Commission's opening brief filed 2/28/18; appellees' brief filed 5/30/18; Commission's reply filed 6/13/18; appellees' corrected brief filed 6/15/18; Commission's corrected brief filed 7/17/18.
Oral argument held 2/8/19.
Order vacating the judgment of the District Court and remanding the case for further proceedings entered 2/21/19.
Corporate defendants' supplemental brief on motions to dismiss filed 6/17/19; individual defendants' supplemental brief on motions to dismiss filed 6/18/19; Commission's opposition to corporate defendants' motions filed 7/1/19; Commission's opposition to individual defendants' motions filed 7/2/19.
Order denying motion to dismiss with respect to the validity of the FTC's quorum and as to claims against individual defendant Mark Underwood but granting motion to dismiss as to the claims against individual defendant Michael Beaman entered 7/24/19.
Order granting in part and denying in part Plaintiffs' motion to strike eight affirmative defenses entered 3/2/20.
Order granting defendants a jury trial entered 4/26/21.
Order dismissing without prejudice the FTC's claim for monetary relief entered 9/17/21.
Defendants' motion for summary judgment filed 4/14/22; Commission's opposition filed 6/18/22; defendants' reply filed 7/11/22.
Order granting Individual Defendant Mark Underwood's motion for partial summary judgment on NY State's claims entered 7/5/22.
Order denying Defendants' motion for summary judgment entered 12/19/22.
FTC's motion to participate in the jury trial filed 12/1/23.
Order granting FTC's motion to participate in jury trial entered 1/3/24.
Jury trial on NY claims conducted 2/21/24 – 3/11/24.
Order denying Defendants' renewed motion for judgment as a matter of law entered 5/3/24.

Opening briefs on corporate defendants' liability under the FTC Act filed 6/28/24.
Order finding corporate defendants liable under Sections 5 and 12 of the FTC Act for claims found by the jury to be materially misleading entered 8/29/24.
Letter advising Court of individual defendant Underwood's agreement to be bound by injunctive relief that the Court determines appropriate for corporate defendants filed 11/5/24.
Order and judgment imposing nationwide injunction on all defendants for all challenged claims entered 11/18/24.
Order denying corporate defendants' motion to modify judgment, and also clarifying that 11/18/24 order is nationwide in scope and constitutes relief for FTC Act violations, entered 12/6/24.
Notices of defendants' appeals from judgment filed 12/19/24.
Defendant-appellants' opening briefs filed 4/3/25; plaintiff-appellees' briefs filed 7/17/25; defendant-appellants' reply briefs filed 9/29/25.
Oral argument before 2d Cir. scheduled for 2/26/26.

FTC v. QYK BRANDS, LLC, No. 24-564 (S. Ct.); No. 22-55446 (9th Cir.); No. 8:20-cv-1431 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties: QYK Brands, LLC d/b/a Glowwy
DRJSNATURAL, LLC
Theo Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
EASII, Inc.
Rakesh Tammabattula
Jacqueline Nguyen

Assigned Attorneys: Christopher Erickson (BCP/ENF)
Delilah Vinzon (WR-LA)
Mariel Goetz (OGC)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Sections 5(a) and 12 of the FTC Act in connection with the sale and marketing of face masks, sanitizer, and other personal protective equipment related to the coronavirus pandemic.

Status: Complaint filed 8/4/20.
Stipulated TRO entered 8/9/20.
Stipulated preliminary injunction entered 8/26/20.
Amended complaint adding new defendants Theo Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and EASII, Inc. filed 5/19/21.
Defendants' motion to dismiss case filed 6/23/21; Commission's opposition filed 11/12/21; defendants' reply filed 11/19/21.
Order denying defendants' motion to dismiss entered 11/30/21.

Motion for summary judgment by the Commission filed 2/15/22; counter-motion for partial summary judgment by defendants filed 2/16/22; oppositions to each motion filed 3/18/22; replies filed 3/25/22.
Minute order granting Commission's motion for summary judgment and denying defendants' motions for partial summary judgment entered 4/6/22.
Final order for permanent injunction entered 4/22/22.
Defendants' notice of appeal filed 4/29/22.
Defendants' motion for partial stay of injunction pending appeal filed 4/29/22; Commission's opposition filed 6/3/22; reply filed 6/10/22; order by district court denying stay entered 6/21/22.
Appellants' motion to Ninth Circuit for stay pending appeal filed 6/30/22.
Appellants' opening brief filed 7/6/22; FTC answering brief filed 9/28/22; appellants' reply brief filed 11/1/22.
Oral argument heard 3/6/23.
New oral argument following departure of Judges Kleinfeld and Watford heard 9/18/23.
Decision affirming in part, vacating in part, and remanding entered 4/9/24.
Appellants' petition for rehearing *en banc* filed 5/24/24; petition denied 6/20/24.
Petition for certiorari filed 11/18/24; FTC opposition filed 1/17/25; reply filed 2/5/25.
Petition for certiorari denied 2/24/25.
Final order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to Rakesh Tammabattula entered 4/7/25.

FTC v. RIVX AUTOMATION CORP., No. 1:24-cv-23152 (S.D. Fla.)

Parties: RIVX Automation Corp. d/b/a RIVX Funding
RIVX Trucking LLC
RIVX Logistics LLC
RIVX Global Logistics LLC
RIVX Investments LLC d/b/a RIVX Capital d/b/a RIVX Cash Offer
Maceda Transportation Services, Inc. d/b/a RIVX Transportation
C2 Carrier LLC
Antonio Rivodo
Noah Wooten
Propihub LLC
Diamond Cargo LLC
State of Florida (co-plaintiff)

Assigned Attorneys: Angeleque Linville (SER)
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Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the Business Opportunity Rule, and the Consumer Review Fairness Act in connection with misrepresentations made in the selling of trucking-related business opportunities.

Status: Complaint filed 8/19/24.
Ex parte TRO with asset freeze and appointment of receiver 8/21/24.
Preliminary injunction entered 9/4/24.
Clerk's entry of default as to as to Noah Wooten and C2 Carrier LLC entered 10/24/24.
Clerk entry of default as to Antonio Rivodo RIVX Automation Corp. RIVX Trucking LLC RIVX Logistics LLC RIVX Global Logistics LLC Maceda Transportation Services, Inc. PROPIHUB LLC RIVX Investments LLC entered 4/7/25.
FTC's motion for stipulated final judgment as to relief Defendant Diamond Cargo LLC filed 12/5/25.
FTC's motion for default as to all other Defendants filed 12/5/25.

FTC v. SEEK CAPITAL LLC, No. 2:24-cv-9511 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties: Seek Capital LLC (Delaware), Seek Capital LLC (California) d/b/a Seek Business Capital d/b/a SBC Business
Roy Ferman

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Julia Heald
Sally Tieu
Joseph Alpert (Honors Attorney)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the Telemarketing Act, and the Telemarketing Sales Rule in connection with misrepresentations made in the marketing of business loans or lines of credit.

Status: Complaint and *ex parte* application for TRO filed 11/4/24.
TRO denied 11/7/24.
Preliminary injunction entered 2/5/25.
Order granting in part FTC's motion for summary judgment and denying Defendant Roy Ferman's motion for summary judgment entered 9/16/25.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction, monetary judgment, and other relief entered 10/1/25.

FTC v. SOUTHERN GLAZERS WINE & SPIRITS LLC, No. 8:24-cv-2684 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties: Southern Glazers Wine and Spirits LLC

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John Jacobs (WRLA)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5 of the FTC Act and Section 2 of the Clayton Act in connection with the use of discriminatory pricing practices in the sale of wine and spirits.

Status: Complaint filed 12/12/24.
Motion to dismiss filed 2/3/25; FTC opposition filed 3/13/25; reply filed 4/7/25.
Order denying motion to dismiss entered 4/17/25.

FTC v. START CONNECTING LLC, No. 8:24-cv-1626 (M.D. Fla.)

Parties: Start Connecting LLC d/b/a United States Student Debt Relief
Start Connecting SAS
Douglas R. Goodman
Doris E. Gallon-Goodman
Juan S. Rojas
Hamlet Garcia Jr. (Would-Be Intervenor)

Assigned Attorneys: Nathan Nash (MWR)
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Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the Telemarketing Sales Rule, and the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act in connection with the marketing and sale of student loan debt relief services.

Status: Complaint filed 7/9/24.
Ex-parte TRO entered 7/11/24.
Stipulated preliminary injunction as to defendants Start Connecting LLC, Douglas R. Goodman, and Doris Gallon-Goodman entered 9/11/24.

Stipulated preliminary injunction as to defendants Juan S. Rojas and Start Connecting SAS entered 9/19/24.
Motion to intervene by Hamlet Garcia Jr. filed 12/31/24; motion denied 1/31/24.
Would-be Intervenor Garcia's notice of appeal filed 3/11/25. Order staying case until 6/13 pending settlement entered 4/15/25.
Consent order for permanent injunction and monetary relief as to defendants Start Connecting LLC, Douglas R. Goodman and Doris E. Gallon-Goodman entered 6/4/25; monetary judgment entered 6/5/25.
Motion for default judgment as to Colombian Defendants filed on 7/9/25; judgment entered 10/20/25.

FTC v. SUPERIOR SERVICING LLC, No. 2:24-cv-2163 (D. Nev.)

Parties: Superior Servicing LLC
Dennise Merdjanian a/k/a Dennise Correa
Sunrise Solutions USA LLC
Alumni Advantage LLC
Student Processing Center Group LLC
SPCTWO LLC
Accredit LLC
Eric Caldwell
David Hernandez

Assigned Attorneys: Luis Gallegos (SWR)
Reid Tepfer

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the Telemarketing Sales Rule, the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, and the Impersonation Rule in connection with the operation of a student loan debt relief scheme.

Status: Complaint filed 11/18/24.
TRO entered 11/22/24.
Preliminary injunction hearing held 12/5/24.
Order granting preliminary injunction as to defendant Superior Servicing LLC entered 12/6/24.
Order granting preliminary injunction as to defendant Dennise Merdjanian entered 12/19/24.
Amended complaint adding new parties filed 3/26/25.
Permanent injunctions as to defendants Eric Caldwell and David Hernandez entered 9/10/25.

FTC v. SYNGENTA CROP PROTECTION AG, No. 1:22-cv-00828 (M.D.N.C.)

Parties: Syngenta Crop Protection AG
Syngenta Corporation
Syngenta Crop Protection, LLC
Corteva, Inc.
States of California, Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa,
Minnesota, Nebraska, Oregon, Tennessee, Texas
Wisconsin, and Washington (co-plaintiffs)

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Elizabeth Gillen
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Lauren Patterson

Alleged Conduct: Violations of Section 5 of the FTC Act, Section 3 of the Clayton Act, and laws enforced by state plaintiffs, by implementation of loyalty programs that block competition from manufacturers of low-cost generic agricultural pesticides even after relevant patents have expired.

Status: Complaint filed 9/29/22.
Defendants' motions to dismiss filed 12/12/22; plaintiff's response filed 12/23/22.
Amended complaint adding two state plaintiffs filed 12/23/22.
Defendants' motion to dismiss filed 1/13/23; plaintiffs' opposition filed 2/10/23; defendants' replies filed 3/3/23.
Oral argument on defendants' motions to dismiss held 12/1/23.
Order denying defendants' motions to dismiss entered 1/12/24.
Defendants' motions for summary judgment filed 12/19/25.

FTC v. U.S. ANESTHESIA PARTNERS, INC., No. 24-20270 (5th Cir.); No. 4:23-cv-3560 (S.D. Tex.)

Parties: U.S. Anesthesia Partners, Inc.
Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe XI, L.P.
WCAS Associates XI, LLC
Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe XII, L.P.
WCAS Associates XII, LLC
WCAS Management Corporation

WCAS Management, L.P.
WCAS Management, LLC

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Garth Huston
Gary Schorr
Leah Hubinger
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Neal Perlman
Patrick Kennedy
Timothy Grayson
Kara Monahan

Alleged Conduct: Anticompetitive conduct in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, Section 2 of the Sherman Act, and Section 7 of the Clayton Act in connection with multi-year scheme to consolidate anesthesia practices in Texas.

Status: Complaint filed 9/21/23.
Defendants' motion to dismiss filed 11/20/23; FTC's opposition filed 1/19/24; reply filed 2/26/24.
Order granting motion to dismiss as to defendant Welsh Carson but denying motion to dismiss as to USAP entered 5/13/24.
Notice of appeal by USAP filed 6/12/24.
Motion to stay pending interlocutory appeal by USAP filed 6/13/24; FTC response filed 7/5/24; reply filed 7/12/24.
USAP Answer filed 6/17/24.
FTC's motion to dismiss interlocutory appeal for lack of jurisdiction filed 7/19/24; opposition filed 7/29/24; reply filed 8/5/24.
Appellant's opening brief filed 8/12/24.
Fifth Circuit's order granting FTC motion to dismiss for lack of jurisdiction entered 8/15/24.
USAP motion to amend answer filed 6/20/25; FTC opposition filed 7/11/25; reply filed 7/18/25.
Order denying motion to amend answer entered 8/6/25.

FTC v. VISION ONLINE, No. 6:23-cv-1041 (M.D. Fla.)

Parties: Vision Online, Inc.
Ganadores IBR, Inc.
Vision Online Digital
Vision Online English, LLC
Vision Online Latino, LLC

Richard Alvarez
Sara Alvarez
Robert Shemin
Bryce Chamberlain

Assigned Attorneys: Joseph Ronald Brooke, Jr. (BCP/MP)
Virginia Rosa

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the Business Opportunity Rule, the “Cooling-Off Rule”, and the Consumer Review Fairness Act of 2016 in connection with advertising and selling business trainings and opportunities targeting Spanish-speaking consumers.

Status: Complaint filed 6/5/23.
Ex parte TRO entered 6/7/23.
Preliminary injunctions with respect to all defendants entered 7/18/23 and 8/1/23.
Joint motion to stay proceedings pending Commission approval of settlement with respect to all defendants except Robert Shemin filed 11/3/23; order staying case with respect to the eight settling defendants entered 11/20/23.
Joint application for entry of stipulated orders for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to the Corporate Defendants, Alvarez Defendants, and Defendant Chamberlain filed 1/17/24.
Order denying joint application denied with request for further briefing on court’s ability to order monetary relief in view of *AMG* entered 3/6/24.
Joint motion for entry of stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to Defendant Chamberlain filed 3/13/24.
Joint motion for entry of stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to the Corporate Defendants and Alvarez Defendants filed 3/13/24.
Final order and judgment for permanent injunction and monetary relief as to the Corporate Defendants, Alvarez Defendants, and Defendant Chamberlain entered 11/18/24.
Motion for entry of stipulated order for permanent injunction and monetary judgment as to Defendant Shemin filed 6/20/25.
Final order and judgment for permanent injunction and monetary relief as to Robert Shemin entered 8/7/25.

FTC v. ZAAPPAAZ, LLC, No. 24-20234 (5th Cir.); No. 4:20-cv-2717 (S.D. Tex.)

Parties: Zaappaaz, LLC
Azim Makanojiya

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Michele Schaefer
Matthew Hoffman (OGC)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act in connection with the failure to deliver on promises to quickly ship products like face masks, sanitizer, and other personal protective equipment related to the coronavirus pandemic.

Status: Complaint filed 8/4/20.
Stipulated preliminary injunction entered 8/8/20.
Cross-motions for summary judgment filed 10/26/22; FTC opposition to defendants' motion filed 12/02/22; defendants' opposition to Commission's motion filed 12/27/22; defendants' corrected reply in support of their motion for partial summary judgment filed 1/24/23; FTC reply in support of its motion filed 1/24/23.
Magistrate judge's report and recommendation that FTC's motion for summary judgment be granted in part and denied in part, and that defendants' motion for partial summary judgment be denied, entered 6/9/23; order adopting recommendations entered 8/3/23.
Trial held 12/18/23.
Order for permanent injunction and monetary relief entered 3/28/24.
Notice of appeal filed 5/24/24.
Appellants' brief filed 09/18/24; FTC's brief filed 11/18/24; Appellants' reply brief filed 12/23/24.
Opinion affirming finding of liability, and affirming in part and reversing in part the monetary relief award, entered 6/16/25.
Petition for rehearing *en banc* by Appellants filed 7/31/25; denied 8/12/25.

FTC v. ZILLOW GROUP, INC., ZILLOW, INC., and REDFIN CORPORATION, No. 1:25-cv-1638 (E.D. Va.)

Parties: Zillow Group, Inc.
Zillow, Inc.
Redfin Corporation
Commonwealth of Virginia and States of Arizona, Connecticut, New York, and Washington (plaintiffs in consolidated parallel action, No. 1:25-cv-1647)

Assigned Attorneys: Allyson Maltas (BC/Litigation Group)

Noel Miller
Leora Tyree
Jessica Drake (BC/Mergers III)
Greta Burkholder
Daniel Aldrich
Eleanor Callaway
Caitlin Cipicchio
Keitha Clopper
Fred DeRitis
Sara Divett
Megan Henry
Alyssa Karfinkel
Eric Pardo
Lauren Sillman
Taylor Weaver

Alleged Conduct: Violations of Section 5 of the FTC Act and Section 7 of the Clayton Act by Internet Listing Services (ILSs) arising from illegal agreement not to compete (in violation of Section 1 of the Sherman Act) and illegal acquisition of assets in the markets for ILS advertising services and ILS advertising services for multifamily properties throughout the United States.

Status: Complaint filed 9/30/25.
State Plaintiffs' motion to consolidate cases filed 11/25/25; order granting motion entered 11/26/25.

CIVIL PENALTY AND ENFORCEMENT CASES*

(A) Consumer Protection

UNITED STATES v. ADOBE, INC., No. 5:24-cv-3630 (N.D. Cal.)

Parties: Adobe, Inc.
Maninder Sawhney
David Wadhvani

Assigned Attorneys: Amber Charles (DOJ/CPB)
Francisco Unger
Wesline Manuepillai (DOJ/CIV)
Zachary Cowan
David DeVito (DOJ/USAO)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Restore Online Shoppers' Confidence Act in connection with deceiving consumers by hiding the early termination fee for its most popular subscription plan and making it difficult for consumers to cancel their subscriptions.

Status: Complaint filed 6/17/24.
Complaint re-filed 7/3/24.
Defendants' motion to dismiss filed 10/7/24; order striking motion for failure to comply with standing order entered 10/9/24; corrected motion to dismiss filed 10/9/24; Commission's opposition filed 11/25/24; defendants' reply filed 12/23/24; order denying motion entered 5/2/25.
Jury trial set for 1/25/27 through 2/5/27.

FTC v. AMAZON.COM INC., No. 2:23-cv-932 (W.D. Wash.)

Parties: Amazon.com Inc.
Neil Lindsay
Russell Grandinetti
Jamil Ghani

Assigned Attorneys: Evan Mendelson (BCP/ENF)
Sana Chaudhry
Jonathan Cohen
Olivia Jerjian

* Includes all suits in which civil penalties are sought; consumer redress, injunctions, and ancillary equitable relief may also be sought.

Anthony Saunders
Jonathan Ware
Colin MacDonald (NWR)
Jeffrey Tang (WR-LA)
Rachel Sifuentes (MWR)

Alleged Conduct: Violations of Section 5 of the FTC Act and the Restore Online Shoppers' Confidence Act ("ROSCA") for enrolling consumers in its Amazon Prime service without their consent.

Status: Complaint filed 6/21/23.
Amazon's motion to strike improper complaint allegations filed 7/17/23; FTC's response filed 7/31/23; reply filed 8/4/23.
Amended complaint filed 9/20/23.
Defendants' motions to dismiss amended complaint filed 10/18/23; FTC's opposition filed 11/17/23; replies filed 12/8/23.
Order denying defendant's motion to dismiss entered 5/14/24.
Defendant demand for jury trial filed 6/25/24; granted 6/27/24.
FTC's motion for sanctions for abuse of privilege claims filed 5/7/25; Defendants' opposition filed 5/22/25; reply filed 5/28/25; order granting sanctions entered 6/23/25.
Cross-motions for partial summary judgment filed 5/27/25; oppositions filed 6/17/25; replies filed 6/24/25.
Trial held 9/22/25 to 9/25/25.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction, monetary judgment, civil penalty judgment and other relief against Amazon and individual defendants Neil Lindsay and Jamil Ghani entered 9/25/25.

UNITED STATES v. APITOR TECHNOLOGY CO., LTD, No. 3:25-cv-7363 (N.D. Cal.)

Parties: Apitor Technology Co., Ltd.

Assigned Attorneys: Daniel Crane-Hirsch (DOJ-CPB)
Daniel K. Crane-Hirsch
Shining Hsu (BCP/WRSF)
Evan Rose

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive and unfair practices in violation of Section 5 of the FTC Act and COPPA in connection with advertising and sale of toy robots operated via app, athering and sharing children's geolocation data without notifying consumers and seeking parental consent.

Status: Complaint filed 9/2/25
Stipulated orders for permanent injunction, civil penalty judgement and other relief entered 9/29/25.

UNITED STATES v. BYTEDANCE LTD. ET AL., No. 2:24-cv-6535 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties: ByteDance Ltd.
ByteDance Inc.
TikTok Ltd.
Tik.Tok Inc.
Tiktok Pte. Ltd.
Tik Tok U.S. Data Security Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Marcus Smith (DOJ)
Jonathan Ware (BCP/ENF)
Iris Micklavzina
Sarah Choi (DPIP)
Michael Sherling

Alleged Conduct: Collecting, storing, and processing data of children under the age of 13 without parental consent in a manner constituting a violation of COPPA.

Status: Complaint filed 8/2/24.
Answer filed 10/7/24.
Order to show cause as to consolidation with other cases entered 11/14/24;
defendant response filed 11/20/24; government response filed
11/21/24.
Jury trial set for 2/9/27.

UNITED STATES v. CITIZENS DISABILITY, LLC, No. 1:25-cv-12826 (D. Mass.)

Parties: Citizens Disability, LLC
CD Media, LLC d/b/a American Disability, American Disability Helpline,
Christian Disability, Citizens Disability Integration, Debt Legal
Group, Disability Referral, Disability Referrals, Local Disability,
United States Disability

Assigned Attorneys: Coleen Schoch (DOJ)

Alleged Conduct: Misrepresentations and unlawful acts and practices in violation of Section 5 of the FTC Act and the Telemarketing Sales Rule in connection with Defendants' telemarketing campaigns.

Status: Complaint and motion to approve consent judgment filed 9/30/25.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction, civil penalty judgment, and
other relief entered 10/14/25.

UNITED STATES v. CONSUMER LAW PROTECTION, No. 4:22-cv-01243 (E.D. Mo.)

Parties: Consumer Law Protection, LLC
Consumer Rights Counsel
Premier Reservations Group, LLC
Resort Transfer Group, LLC
Square One Development Group, Inc., d/b/a Square One Group
Square One Group, LLC
Timeshare Help Source
Farmington Allegiance, LLC
Mainline Partners, LLC
The Jake and Avery Irrevocable Trust dated September 11, 2019
The Maggie and Lucy Irrevocable Trust dated September 11, 2019
Christopher Carroll
George Reed
LouAnn Reed
Scott Jackson
Eduardo Balderas
Resort Legal Service, LLC
Square One Corporate Offices, LLC, also d/b/a Resort Legal Services
Kimberly Carroll (as Trustee and Beneficiary of The Jake and Avery Irrevocable Trust)
Timothy McFadden (as Trustee of The Jake and Avery Irrevocable Trust)
Janet Sue Hackworth (as Beneficiary of The Jake and Avery Irrevocable Trust)
State of Wisconsin (co-plaintiff)

Assigned Attorneys: Ellen Bowden McIntyre (DOJ)
Amy Pentz Kaplan
Samantha Denny (MWR)
William Hodor

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, the FTC's Cooling Off Rule, and state law in connection with the promotion and sale of fraudulent timeshare exit services to seniors.

Status: Complaint filed 11/21/22.
Defendants' motions to dismiss filed 1/27/23, 2/08/23, and 2/09/23;
opposition to motions by the United States filed 3/03/23;
Defendants' replies filed 3/16/23 and 3/20/23.
Order denying defendants' motions to dismiss entered 9/25/23.
Order denying defendant's motion to dismiss entered 2/1/24.
Amended complaint filed 4/9/24.
Motion to dismiss amended complaint filed 5/20/24; response in opposition filed 6/3/24; reply filed 6/12/24.
Order denying defendant's motions to dismiss entered 10/8/24.

Second amended complaint filed 12/18/24.

Clerk entry of default judgment as to defendants Consumer Law Protection, Consumer Rights Council, Premier Reservations Group, Resort Transfer Group, Square One Development Group, Square One Group, Timeshare Help Source, Farmington Allegiance, Mainline Partners, Square One Corp. Offices, Resort Legal Service, Kimberly Carroll, and Janet Hackworth entered 2/27/25.

Stipulated order for permanent injunction, monetary judgment, and other relief against George and LouAnn Reed entered two individual defendants, and default judgment against all defaulted entities entered 9/4/25.

United States motion for summary judgment as to remaining defendant Christopher Carroll filed 10/6/25.

UNITED STATES v. DAVE, INC., No. 2:24-cv-9566 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties: Dave, Inc.
Jason Wilk

Assigned Attorneys: Sarah Williams (DOJ/CPB)
Sean Saper
Daniel Hanks (BCP/FP)
Jason Sanders
Julia Heald

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and the Restore Online Shoppers' Confidence Act in connection with the marketing of a finance mobile application offering short-term cash advances to consumers.

Status: Complaint filed 11/5/24.
Amended complaint by United States seeking civil penalties filed 12/30/24.
Motion to dismiss filed by Defendants 2/28/25; opposition by the United States filed 4/7/25; Defendants' reply filed 4/21/25.
Oral argument held 6/30/25.
Order dismissing motion to dismiss entered 9/12/25.

FTC v. DAY PACER LLC, No. 25-129 (S. Ct.); Nos. 24-1273; 24-1289; 23-3310 (7th Cir.); No. 1:19-cv-01984 (N.D. Ill.)

Parties: Day Pacer LLC, f/k/a College Criteria LLC, d/b/a Edutrek, EdSoup, Our School Search, College Info and Degree Spots

Edutrek L.L.C. d/b/a EdSoup
Raymond Fitzgerald
Ian Fitzgerald
David Cumming

Assigned Attorneys: Mark Glassman (BCP/FP)
Patrick Roy
William Joseph Hodor

Alleged Conduct: Violations of the Telemarketing Sales Rule in connection with unsolicited calls about educational programs to consumers who submitted their contact information to websites promising help with job searches, public benefits, and other unrelated programs.

Status: Complaint filed 3/22/19.
Status hearing held 6/10/19.
Order striking two of defendants' affirmative defenses entered 2/28/20.
FTC's motion for summary judgment filed 8/2/21; Defendants' cross-motions for summary judgment and oppositions to FTC's motion filed 10/1/21; amended cross-motions and oppositions filed 10/8/21; FTC reply in support of its motion and opposition to cross-motions filed 12/10/21; Defendants' replies in support of their cross-motions for summary judgment filed 1/5/22 and 1/7/22.
Notice of death of Defendant David Cumming filed 2/25/22; FTC motion to substitute personal representative of Cumming's estate filed 4/5/22; personal representative's opposition filed 5/26/22; FTC's reply in support of motion to substitute filed 6/3/22.
Order reassigning case to Honorable Lindsay C. Jenkins 2/27/23.
Joint status report filed 5/24/23.
Order granting FTC's motions for substitution and summary judgment against defendants entered 9/1/23.
Hearing on injunctive relief and civil penalties held 11/8/23.
Order for permanent injunction against Day Pacer defendants (Day Pacer LLC, Edutrek LLC, Raymond Fitzgerald, and Ian Fitzgerald) entered 11/21/23.
Notice of appeal by Day Pacer defendants filed 11/29/23.
Motion to stay order pending appeal filed 11/29/23; FTC's opposition filed 12/13/23; defendants' reply filed 12/19/23.
Memorandum regarding civil penalties by personal representative of Cumming's estate filed 12/8/23; FTC's opposition filed 12/19/23.
Order staying permanent injunction in part pending appeal entered 1/12/24.
Final judgement and order for civil penalties against all defendants entered 1/23/24.
Notices of appeal by Day Pacer defendants and Cumming Estate filed 2/20/24.

Order consolidating appeals no. 23-3310, 24-1273 and 24-1289 entered 2/26/24.
Appellants' opening briefs filed 5/21/24; Commission's answering brief filed 7/9/24; appellants' reply brief filed 8/9/24.
Oral argument held 10/22/24.
Opinion affirming district court judgment in substantial part, ruling that Cumming Estate cannot be joined, and remanding for new calculation of damages, entered 1/3/25.
Joint memorandum on remand to district court filed 3/31/25.
District court case stayed pending remaining Defendants' cert petition 4/1/25.
Petition for writ of certiorari filed 8/1/25; petition denied 10/6/25.
Joint status report proposing next steps to advance the case filed 12/2/25.

UNITED STATES v. DISNEY WORLDWIDE SERVICES, INC., No. 2:25-cv-8223 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties: Disney Worldwide Services, Inc.
Disney Entertainment Operations LLC

Assigned Attorneys: Zachary Cowan (DOJ)

Alleged Conduct: Violations of Section 5 of the FTC Act and the Commission's Children's Online Privacy Protection Rule in connection with defendants' online services directed to children under 13 and collection of personal information.

Status: Complaint and stipulation for permanent injunction filed 9/2/25.
Response in support of stipulation filed by plaintiff 12/1/25; defendants' brief on stipulation filed 12/1/25.
Order for permanent injunction, civil penalty judgment and other relief entered 12/23/25.

UNITED STATES v. DUNN & BRADSTREET, No. 3:25-cv-01158 (M.D. Fla.)

Parties: Dunn & Bradstreet, Inc. d/b/a B&B

Assigned Attorneys: Sarah Williams (DOJ)
Christopher Erickson (BCP/ENF)
Taylor Bates

Alleged Conduct: Violations of a 2022 Commission order by providing inaccurate information about defendant's products to customers before renewing their

subscription services and misrepresenting that purchasing fee-based products will improve customers' credit scores.

Status: Complaint filed 9/29/25.
Consent motion to enter proposed stipulated order for civil penalty, monetary judgment, and injunctive relief filed 9/29/25.

FTC v. EVOKE WELLNESS LLC, No. 0:25-cv-60073 (S.D. Fla.)

Parties: Evoke Wellness LLC
Evoke Health Care Management LLC
Jonathan Moseley, individually and as owner
James Hull, individually and as owner

Assigned Attorneys: Cassandra Rasmussen (BCP/AP)

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive and fraudulent practices in violation of Sections 5(a) and 12 of the FTC Act and Section 8023 of the Opioid Addiction Recovery Fraud Prevention Act in connect with advertising and marketing of defendants' substance use disorder treatment clinics.

Status: Complaint filed 1/13/25.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction, civil penalty judgment, and other relief entered 6/10/25.

UNITED STATES v. FACEBOOK INC, No. 23-5280 (D.C. Cir.); No. 1:19-cv-2184 (D.D.C.)

Parties: Facebook, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Katherine Ho (DOJ)
Patrick Runkle
Zachary Cowan
Jason Lee
Lisa Hsiao
Scott Kennedy

Nature of Action: Action seeking civil penalties, an injunction, and other equitable relief for Facebook's violation of a 2012 order for violated Section 5(a) of the FTC Act.

Status: Complaint filed 7/24/19.
Stipulated order for payment of civil penalty and modification by FTC of 2012 administrative order entered 4/23/20.

Facebook motion to enjoin FTC proceeding to modify 2020 administrative order filed 5/31/23; United States' opposition filed 8/16/23; reply filed 9/13/23.

Oral argument heard 10/17/23.

Order denying motion to enjoin filed 11/27/23.

Notice of appeal filed 11/28/23.

Motion for injunction pending appeal filed 12/12/23; United States' opposition filed 12/28/23; reply filed 1/5/24; motion denied 1/12/24.

Motion for injunction by Facebook in D.C. Circuit filed 1/25/24; response in opposition filed 2/5/24; reply filed 2/12/24; order denying the injunction pending appeal entered 3/12/24.

Facebook's opening brief filed 5/13/24; FTC's answering brief filed 6/12/24; Facebook's reply brief filed 7/12/24.

Oral argument held 11/5/24.

Opinion reversing and remanding case to the district court entered 5/16/25.

Joint status report filed 7/31/25

Case stayed 8/1/25.

Joint status report filed 12/22/25.

Case unstayed 12/23/25.

UNITED STATES v. ICONIC HEARTS HOLDINGS, No. 2:25-cv-9310 (C.D. Cal)

Parties: Iconic Hearts Holdings, Inc.
Hunter Rice

Assigned Attorneys: Marcus Smith (DOJ)

Alleged Conduct: Violations of Section 5 of the FTC Act, the Restore Online Shoppers' Confidence Act, and the Children's Online Privacy Protection Rule in connection defendants' social media messaging app and unlawful collection of personal information from children under the age of 13.

Status: Complaint filed 9/29/25.

FTC v. KEY INVESTMENT GROUP, No. 1:25-cv-02716 (D. Md.)

Parties: Key Investment Group LLC
TotalTickets.com LLC
Totally Tix LLC
Front Rose Tix LLC
WLK Investments LLC
Yair D. Rozmaryn

Elan N. Rozmaryn
Taylor Kurth

Assigned Attorneys: Simon Barth (BCP/DMP)
Connell McNulty

Alleged Conduct: Unlawful tactics to exceed ticket purchasing limits in violation of the Better Online Ticket Sales Act.

Status: Complaint filed 8/18/25
Motion to dismiss for failure to state a claim filed 11/24/25; FTC's
opposition filed 12/24/25.
Amicus brief by Sen Blackburn and Sen. Lujan filed 12/31/25.

FTC v. LIVE NATION ENTERTAINMENT, INC., No. 2:25-cv-8884 (C.D. Cal)

Parties: Ticketmaster, LLC
Live Nation Entertainment, Inc.
States of Colorado, Florida, Illinois, Nebraska, Tennessee, Utah, and
Commonwealth of Virginia (co-plaintiffs)
Utah Division of Consumer Protection (co-plaintiff)

Assigned Attorneys: Elizabeth Scott (MWR)
Taylor Arana
Claire Stewart

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5 (and six state consumer protection statutes) and violations of the Better Online Ticket Sales Act (BOTS Act) in connection with misrepresenting ticket prices, misrepresenting the ticket limits, and selling tickets unlawfully purchased in circumvention of posted ticket limits.

Status: Complaint filed 9/18/25.

FTC v. MATCH GROUP, INC., No. 3:19-cv-02281 (N.D. Texas)

Parties: Match Group, Inc.
Match Group, LLC, f/k/a Match.com, LLC

Assigned Attorneys: Reid Tepfer (SWR)
Jason Moon
Hasan Aijaz
Nicole Conte
Tammy Chung

Alleged Conduct: Deceptive and unfair acts and practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act and Restore Online Shoppers' Confidence Act in connection with the defendant's online dating service.

Status: Complaint filed 9/25/19.
Defendant's motion to dismiss for failure to state a claim filed 10/17/19;
Commission's response filed 11/5/19; defendant's reply filed 11/19/19.
Order staying case pending a ruling on Match Group's motion to dismiss entered 4/22/20.
Order staying case pending Supreme Court decision in *FTC v. Credit Bureau Center* entered 10/9/20.
Joint status report on the effects of *AMG* filed 6/7/21.
Order asking for FTC brief clarifying "equitable relief" that is sought for Counts I and II in the complaint entered 12/16/21.
FTC brief clarifying equitable relief sought filed 12/27/21.
Order denying in part and granting in part motion to dismiss entered 3/24/22.
Amended complaint filed 7/19/22.
Motion to dismiss by Match Group LLC filed 8/12/22; FTC response filed 8/23; order granting as to Counts 1 and 2 entered 8/24/22.
Commission's and Match Group's cross-motions for summary judgment filed 9/11/23; oppositions filed 10/16/23; replies filed 11/6/23.
Matter stayed pending proposed settlement 6/10/25.
Order for permanent injunction and monetary judgement entered 8/13/25.

***FTC v. MERCURY MARKETING LLC*, 1:25-cv-2021 (D. Md.)**

Parties: Mercury Marketing LLC
Behavioral Healthcare Group of America LLC
JLux Consulting LLC
Malibu Detox LLC
Malibu Recovery Center LLC
Aliya Health Group LLC
Fennaside LLC
JHEL Holdings LLC
Christopher LiVolsi
Dennis Rinker
Robby Stempler
Jennifer Russ

Assigned Attorneys: Robert Van Someren Greve (BCP/AP)
Stacy Cammarano
Tiffany Woo

Elizabeth Sanger

Alleged Conduct: Violations of Section 5(a)(1) and 12 of the FTC ACT, Section 8023(a) of the Opioid Addiction Recovery Fraud Prevention Act, and the Commission's Trade Regulation Rule on the Impersonation of Government and Businesses in connection with use of deceptive Google search ads and misleading telemarketers to attract consumers seeking treatment for substance use disorders.

Status: Complaint filed 6/24/25.
Motions to dismiss filed by defendants Mercury Marketing LLC, Fennaside LLC, Christopher LiVolsi, and Dennis Rinker (collectively, "Mercury Defendants") and by defendants JHEL Holdings LLC and Robby Stempler 9/15/25; Commission oppositions filed 11/25/25; Mercury Defendants' reply filed 12/19/25.
Answers filed by defendants Behavioral Healthcare Group of America LLC, Malibu Detox LLC, Malibu Recovery Center LLC, and Aliya Health Group LLC 9/15/25.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction, monetary judgment, and other relief as to defendants JLux Consulting LLC and Jennifer Russ entered 9/24/25.
Stay granted 12/18/25 as to defendants Behavioral Healthcare Group of America LLC, Malibu Detox LLC, JHEL Holdings LLC, and Robby Stempler pending proposed settlement.

FTC v. ROMERO, No. 5:21-cv-343 (M.D. Fla.)

Parties: Frank Romero d/b/a Trend Deploy

Assigned Attorneys: Christopher Erickson (BCP/ENF)
Brian Welke

Alleged Conduct: Violations of Sections 5(a) and 12 of the FTC Act, the Mail Order Rule, and the COVID-19 Consumer Protection Act in connection with the marketing and sale of personal protective equipment during the COVID19 pandemic.

Status: Complaint filed 6/29/21.
Motion to dismiss complaint by Frank Romero filed 8/30/21; FTC opposition filed 9/20/21; Romero's reply filed 10/19/21; motion denied 6/29/22.
Motion to stay by Frank Romero 3/04/22; FTC's opposition filed 3/18/22
Order denying defendants' motion to stay entered 4/26/22.

Commission motion for summary judgment filed 9/02/22; defendant's opposition filed 10/7/22; FTC reply filed 10/28/22.
Commission's motion for summary judgment granted 2/27/23.
Commission's proposed injunction, proposed judgment for monetary relief, and proposed civil penalty judgment filed 3/23/23.
Final judgment and order for permanent injunction entered 5/15/23.
Commission's motion for post-judgment temporary restraining order containing an asset freeze filed 7/26/24; entered 8/1/24.
Post-judgment preliminary injunction hearing held 8/13/24 .
Post-judgment preliminary injunction containing an asset freeze entered 8/13/24.
Stipulated order modifying asset freeze and appointing liquidator entered 11/1/24.
Stipulated order transferring assets and partially modifying the Court's 5/15/23 final order and 8/13/24 preliminary injunction order entered 8/18/25.

UNITED STATES v. STRATICS NETWORKS INC., No. 3:23-cv-313 (S.D. Cal.)

Parties: Stratics Networks, Inc.
Netlatitude, Inc.
Atlas Investment Ventures LLC
Tek Ventures, LLC
ACE Business Solutions LLC
Atlas Marketing Partners, Inc.
Eric Petersen
Todd DiRoberto
Sandra Barnes

Assigned Attorneys: Daniel Petrokas (DOJ/CPB)
Daniel Crane-Hirsch
Zachary Dietert
Rachel Doud
Richard S. Greene IV
Wesline Manuelpillai
Matthew Robinson

Alleged Conduct: Violations of Section 5 of the FTC Act and Section 6 of the Telemarketing and Consumer Fraud and Abuse Prevention Act in relation to use of technology to initiate outbound robocalls to consumers' phones to illegally telemarket various goods and services.

Status: Complaint filed 2/16/23.

5/15/23 final order and 8/13/24 preliminary injunction order Stipulated order for permanent injunction, monetary judgment, and other relief as to defendants Kasm and Kenan Azzeh entered 2/23/23. Stipulated order for permanent injunction, monetary judgment, and other relief as to defendants Netlatitude and Kurt Hannigan entered 6/16/23.

Motions to dismiss by defendants filed 6/7/23, 6/8/23, and 6/20/23: United States' opposition filed 8/23/23; reply filed 10/11/23.

Hearing on motion to dismiss held 3/5/24.

Order granting motion to dismiss as to Stratics and denying as to Atlas and Ace defendants entered 3/6/24.

Ace defendants' motion for summary judgment filed 9/22/25; .

Atlas defendants' and United States' motions for summary judgment filed 10/3/25.

Ace defendants' opposition to motion for summary judgment filed 12/23/25.

United States' opposition to motion for summary judgment filed 12/30/25.

FTC ET AL. v. UBER TECHNOLOGIES, INC. ET AL., No. 4:25-cv-03477 (N.D. Cal.)

Parties: Uber Technologies, Inc.
Uber USA LLC
Alabama Attorney General (co-plaintiff)
Arizona Attorney General (co-plaintiff)
Connecticut Attorney General (co-plaintiff)
Maryland Attorney General (co-plaintiff)
Minnesota Attorney General (co-plaintiff)
Missouri Attorney General (co-plaintiff)
Montana Attorney General (co-plaintiff)
Nebraska Attorney General (co-plaintiff)
New Hampshire Attorney General (co-plaintiff)
New Jersey Attorney General (co-plaintiff)
New York Attorney General (co-plaintiff)
North Carolina Attorney General (co-plaintiff)
Ohio Attorney General (co-plaintiff)
Oklahoma Attorney General (co-plaintiff)
Pennsylvania Attorney General (co-plaintiff)
Virginia Attorney General (co-plaintiff)
Wisconsin Attorney General (co-plaintiff)
District of Columbia Attorney General (co-plaintiff)
People of the State of California via Alameda County DA (co-plaintiff)
People of the State of Illinois (co-plaintiff)
People of the State of Michigan (co-plaintiff)

Assigned Attorneys: Paul Mezan (BCP/FP)

Stephanie Liebner
James Doty

Alleged Conduct: Unfair and deceptive acts or practices in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, various state UDAP statutes, and the Restore Online Shoppers' Confidence Act in connection with Defendants' Uber subscription service and their failure to (i) obtain express informed consent, (ii) clearly and conspicuously disclose material terms of the subscription service, and (iii) offer a simple cancellation mechanism.

Status: Complaint filed 4/21/25.
Amended complaint adding 21 state plaintiffs and the District of Columbia, seeking civil penalties, and adding request for civil penalties filed 12/15/25.

UNITED STATES v. WHALECO, INC., No. 1:25-cv-12466 (D. Mass)

Parties: Whaleco, Inc., d/b/a Temu

Assigned Attorneys: Sarah Williams (DOJ)

Alleged Conduct: Violations of Section 5 of the FTC Act and the INFORM Consumers Act in connection with defendant's disclosure obligations and reporting requirements in the online marketplace.

Status: Complaint filed 9/5/25.
Stipulated order for permanent injunction, civil penalty judgment, and other relief entered 9/8/25.

(B) Competition

FTC v. SEVEN & I HOLDINGS, No. 1:23-cv-03600 (D.D.C.)

Parties: Seven & I Holdings, Co. Ltd.
7-Eleven, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Laura Hall (BC/Litigation Group)
Angelike Mina (BC/Compliance)
Christine Tasso
Eric Rohlck
Sebastian Lorigo
Maribeth Petrizzi

Alleged Conduct: Violation of a Commission order in connection with acquisition of a retail fuel outlet without required prior notice to the Commission.

Status: Complaint filed 12/4/23.
7-Eleven's motion to dismiss filed 2/5/24; FTC's opposition filed 3/06/24;
7-Eleven's reply filed 3/20/24; oral argument held 4/17/24.
Opinion and order denying motion to dismiss entered 3/31/25.
Stipulated final judgment and order for permanent injunction and civil penalty entered 12/11/25.

UNITED STATES v. XCL RESOURCES HOLDINGS LLC, 1:25-cv-41 (D.D.C.)

Parties: XCL Resources Holdings LLC
Verdun Oil Co. II
EP Energy LLC

Assigned Attorneys: Maribeth Petrizzi (BC/Compliance)
Jamie Towey
Kenneth Libby
Paul Frangie

Alleged Conduct: Violations of Section 7A of the Clayton Act in connection with failing to satisfy the statutory transactional waiting-period obligations.

Status: Complaint filed 1/7/25.
Unopposed motion of the United States for entry of proposed final judgment filed 5/14/25.

SUBPOENA AND CID ENFORCEMENT PROCEEDINGS

(None Pending)

SUITS TO ENJOIN FTC ACTION AND OTHER DEFENSIVE LITIGATION

AMERICAN FEDERATION OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES ET AL. v. OMB ET AL.,
No. 25-7998 (9th Cir.); No. 3-25-cv-8302 (N.D. Cal.)

Parties: American Federation of State County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO
American Federation of Government Employees, AFL-CIO (AFGE)
AFGE Local 3172
AFGE Local 1236
National Federation of Federal Employees
Service Employees International Union
National Association of Government Employees
National Treasury Employees Union
International Federation of Professional and Technical Engineers
American Federation of Teachers
American Foreign Service Association

Assigned Attorneys: Elizabeth Hedges (DOJ)
Brad Rosenberg
Michael Velchik
Pierce Anon

Nation of Action: Action seeking declaratory and injunctive relief for allegations of violations of the Administrative Procedure Act related to federal government reductions in force.

Status: Complaint filed 9/30/25; amended complaint filed 10/4/25.
TRO entered 10/15/25; modified 10/22/25.
Plaintiffs' motion for preliminary injunction filed 10/21/25; defendants' opposition filed 10/24/25; reply filed 10/27/25.
Preliminary injunction granted 10/28/25.
Second amended complaint filed 10/28/25.
TRO granted 12/4/25.
Supplemental complaint filed 12/4/25.
Plaintiffs' motion for preliminary injunction filed 12/9/25; defendants' opposition filed 12/12/25; reply filed 12/15/25.
Preliminary injunction granted 12/17/25.
Notice of appeal by defendants filed 12/22/25.

AMERICA FIRST LEGAL FOUNDATION v. FTC, No. 1:23-cv-2765 (D.D.C)

Parties: Americans First Legal Foundation

Assigned Attorneys: John Bardo (AUSA)
Michele Arington (OGC)

Nature of Action: Action seeking records under the Freedom of Information Act.

Status: Complaint filed 12/8/21.
FTC motion for partial dismissal filed 11/29/23; AFLF opposition filed 1/10/24; FTC reply filed 1/24/24.
Order granting FTC motion for partial dismissal entered 8/25/24.
Order directing parties to meet and file a joint report and proposed schedule for further proceedings entered 9/9/24.
Joint status reports filed 10/10/24, 11/12/24, 12/12/24, 3/11/25, 5/12/25, 8/11/25, and 9/10/25.

ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP INC. ET AL. v. FTC, No. 25-11102 (5th Cir.); No. 4:24-cv-950 (N.D. Tex.)

Parties: Asbury Automotive Group
McDavid Irving-Hon
McDavid Frisco-Hon
Asbury Ft. Worth Ford
Ali Benli

Assigned Attorneys: Daniel J. Aguilar (DOJ)
Issac Belfer
Zachary Cowan
Matthew Hoffman (OGC)
H. Thomas Byron III

Nature of Action: Action to enjoin administrative proceedings alleging constitutional violations in the Commission's administrative practices.

Status: Complaint filed 10/4/24.
Emergency motion for injunction and stay of FTC administrative proceeding filed 10/14/24; FTC's response filed 11/12/24; reply filed 12/10/24.
FTC motion to dismiss for failure to state a claim filed 11/12/24; response filed 12/10/24; reply filed 12/24/24.

Order denying preliminary injunction and granting dismissal for failure to state a claim as to all but one claim (alleging that the admin enforcement action violates Article III of the Constitution by adjudicating private rights in a non-Article III tribunal) entered 8/11/25.

Notice of appeal by defendants and motion for reconsideration of preliminary injunction denial and claim dismissal, seeking indicative ruling pending appeal, filed 09/26/25; FTC's opposition to motion filed 11/26/25; reply filed 12/12/25.

Appellants' motion to dismiss appeal without prejudice filed 12/9/25; response in opposition filed 12/19/25.

BUY BELIZE, LLC v. UNITED STATES, No. 24-2352 (Fed. Cir.); No. 1:23-cv-1025 (Fed Cl.)

Parties: Buy Belize, LLC
Buy International, Inc.
Eco-Development Futures, Inc.
Eco-Futures, Belize, Ltd.
Foundation Development Management, Inc.
Global Property Alliance, Inc.
Power Haus Marketing
Sanctuary Belize Property Owners' Association
Sittee River Wildlife Reserve
The Estate of John Pukke
Andris Pukke
Peter Baker
John Usher

Assigned Attorneys: John Jacob Todor (DOJ)
Eric Evan Laufgraben
Brad Grossman (OGC)
Ben Aiken
Matt Hoffman

Nature of Action: Action alleging that the monetary judgment against the Buy Belize Entities in the FTC enforcement action *In re Sanctuary Belize Litigation* is an illegal extraction and seeking financial compensation.

Status: Complaint filed 7/3/23.
Appeal of Andris Pukke, Peter Baker, and John Usher filed 7/14/23.
United States' motion to dismiss for lack of jurisdiction and failure to state a claim filed 9/29/23; Buy Belize Entities' opposition filed 10/27/23; reply filed 11/13/23.
Opening brief of the defendants filed 9/26/24; response brief of FTC in Pukke appeal filed 11/17/24; reply brief filed 11/22/23.

Oral argument held 10/31/24.
Opinion affirming district court judgment entered 12/12/24.
Notice of appeal filed 9/24/24.
Appellants' opening brief filed 11/25/24; FTC response brief filed
2/20/24; reply brief filed 2/25/25.
Oral argument scheduled for 3/2/26.

CENTER FOR INQUIRY v. FTC, No. 1:25-cv-2536 (D.D.C)

Parties: Center for Inquiry, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Kimberly Stratton (DOJ/USAO)
Michele Arington (OGC)

Nature of Action: Action seeking records regarding homeopathic products under the
Freedom of Information Act.

Status: Compliant filed 8/4/25.
Answer filed 9/5/25.
Joint status reports filed 9/26/25 and 12/19/25.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ET AL. v. FTC, No. 6:25-cv-9 (E.D. Tex.)

Parties: Chamber of Commerce
Business Roundtable
American Investment Council
Longview Chamber of Commerce

Assigned Attorneys: Ben Aiken (OGC)
Mariel Goetz

Nature of Action: Action seeking to enjoin and set aside the updated HSR rule.

Status: Complaint filed 1/10/25.
Motion to dismiss or change venue filed 4/10/25.
Amended complaint filed 5/8/25.
Motion to dismiss or transfer filed 5/23/25; response in opposition filed
6/10/25; reply filed 6/17/25.
Plaintiffs' motion for summary judgment filed 8/1/25; FTC's response and
cross-motion filed 8/29/25; plaintiffs' response and reply filed
9/23/25; FTC's reply filed 9/30/25.
FTC motion to stay summary judgment and seek discovery under Rule
56(d) filed 8/18/25; response filed 9/2/25; reply filed 9/9/25.
Oral argument heard 12/15/25.

**CHURCHILL DOWNS INC. ET AL. v. HORSERACING INTEGRITY AND SAFETY
AUTHORITY, INC ET AL.,** No. 3:24-cv-706 (W.D. Ky.)

Parties: Churchill Downs Incorporated
The New York Racing Association, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Ben Aiken (OGC)

Nature of Action: Action seeking to declare HISA unconstitutional.

Status: Complaint filed 12/4/4.
Amended complaint filed 3/18/25.
Motion to dismiss filed 4/22/25; response filed 6/3/25; reply filed 6/17/25.
Plaintiff's motion for partial summary judgment filed 6/3/25; response
filed 6/17/25; reply filed 7/1/25.

DISINFORMATION INDEX, INC v. FTC, No. 1:25-cv-04137 (D.D.C.)

Parties: Disinformation Index, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Ethan Beck (OGC)
H. Thomas Byron (OGC)

Nature of Action: Action seeking declaratory judgment and injunctive relief against
enforcement of a CID alleging First and Fourth Amendment violations.

Status: Complaint and motion for preliminary injunction filed 11/25/25.

DOHERTY V. BORISCH ET AL., No. 25-1732 (6th Cir.); No.1:25-cv-308 (W.D. Mich.)

Parties: Michael Doherty

Assigned Attorneys: Ryan Cobb (USA)

Nature of Action: Pro se complaint filed against numerous government agencies.

Status: Complaint filed 3/20/25.
Motion to dismiss by federal defendants filed 5/30/25; response filed
6/12/25.
Memorandum opinion and order dismissing complaint with prejudice
entered 7/31/25.
Notice of appeal by Doherty filed 8/11/25.
Doherty's opening brief filed 11/3/25; federal defendants-appellees'
answering brief filed 12/30/25.

EXPRESS SCRIPTS INC. v. FTC, No. 4:24-cv-1263 (E.D. Mo.) (*Express Scripts I*)

Parties: Express Scripts Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Alexander Resar (DOJ)

Nature of Action: Action alleging constitutional due process violations and bias in connections with Commission's 6(b) study of PBMs.

Status: Complaint filed 9/17/24.
FTC motion to dismiss filed 12/16/24; response in opposition filed 1/30/25; reply filed 2/13/25.
Joint brief on intervening events filed 5/12/25.
Order denying motion to dismiss and staying case pending court of appeals decision in *Express Scripts II* (see below) entered 8/13/25.

EXPRESS SCRIPTS INC. v. FTC, No. 25-1383 (8th Cir.); No. 4:24-cv-1549 (E.D. Mo.) (*Express Scripts II*)

Parties: Express Scripts
Evernorth Health
Ascent Health Services
Medco Health Services
Caremark RX
Zinc Health Services
OptumRx
Optum Rx Holdings
Emisar Pharma Services

Assigned Attorneys: Alexander Resar (DOJ)

Nature of Action: Action seeking to enjoin a Part 3 proceeding alleging constitutional violations in the Commission's administrative proceedings.

Status: Complaint and motion for preliminary injunction filed 11/19/24.
FTC's opposition to preliminary injunction filed 12/19/24; reply filed 1/10/25.
Hearing on motion for preliminary injunction held 2/3/25.
Order denying preliminary injunction entered 2/18/25.
Notice of appeal and motion for injunction pending appeal filed 2/21/25.
Order denying injunction pending appeal entered 2/24/25.
Plaintiffs-Appellants' opening brief filed 4/15/25; FTC's response brief filed 5/16/25; reply filed 6/9/25.
Oral argument held 11/19/25.

FELL ET AL. v. TRUMP ET AL., No. 1:25-cv-4206 (D.D.C.)

Parties: Stephanie Fell
Stephanie Gilliard
L.L. Smith
Mahri Stainnak
Kimiko Oliver
Kamir Carrillo-Figueroa
Lauren Jensen
David Jose Laboy

Assigned Attorneys: Kian Kevin Azimpoor (DOJ)

Nature of Action: Class action complaint for injunctive and declaratory relief and damages alleging unlawful firing of federal employees in violation of the First Amendment, Civil Rights Act, and Civil Service Reform Act.

Status: Complaint filed 12/3/25.

FRIEDMANN v. FTC ET AL., No. 6:25-cv-02259 (M.D. Fla.)

Parties: Michael Friedmann

Assigned Attorneys: Michele Arington (OGC)

Nature of Action: Pro se complaint seeking compensatory and punitive damages for alleged constitutional and tort violations in connection with a veteran-related charity.

Status: Complaint filed 11/24/25.

FRIEDMANN v. FTC ET AL., No. 6:25-cv-002344 (M.D. Fla.)

Parties: Michael Friedmann

Assigned Attorneys: Michele Arington (OGC)

Nature of Action: Pro se complaint seeking records under the Freedom of Information Act.

Status: Complaint filed 12/8/25.

FUNCTIONAL GOVERNMENT INITIATIVE v. FTC, No. 1:22-cv-1614 (D.D.C.)

Parties: Functional Government Initiative

Assigned Attorneys: Stephanie Johnson (AUSA)
Michele Arington (OGC)

Nature of Action: Action seeking records regarding oil and gas under the Freedom of Information Act.

Status: Complaint filed 6/7/22.
FTC Answer filed 8/21/22.
Joint status reports filed 9/6/22, 10/13/22, 1/17/23, 4/14/23, 6/2/23, 7/11/23, 7/31/23, 8/31/23, 11/13/23, 12/21/23, 2/1/24, 4/1/24, and 4/24/24, 8/15/24, 9/18/24, 10/17/24, 11/22/24, 1/14/25, 2/27/25, 4/14/25, and 6/12/25.
Stipulation of dismissal following settlement filed 8/11/25.

FUNCTIONAL GOVERNMENT INITIATIVE v. FTC, No. 1:22-cv-03273-CKK (D.D.C.)

Parties: Functional Government Initiative

Assigned Attorneys: Dedra S. Curteman (AUSA)
Michele Arington (OGC)
Kristin B. Hill

Nature of Action: Action seeking records regarding infant formula shortage under the Freedom of Information Act.

Status: Complaint filed 10/26/22.
FTC answer filed 1/6/23.
Joint status reports filed 2/24/23, 3/24/23, 4/24/23, 5/23/23, 6/23/23, 8/22/23, 10/23/23, 12/18/23, 2/16/24, 4/16/24, 6/17/24, 8/16/24, 10/15/24, and 12/16/24.
Plaintiff's motion for attorney's fees filed 1/14/25; FTC's opposition filed 2/14/25; reply filed 3/3/25.

FUNCTIONAL GOVERNMENT INITIATIVE v. FTC, No. 1:23-cv-403 (D.D.C.)

Parties: Functional Government Initiative

Assigned Attorneys: Benton Peterson (AUSA)
Michele Arington (OGC)

Nature of Action: Action seeking records regarding meat and poultry under the Freedom of Information Act.

Status: Complaint filed 2/13/23.
FTC answer filed 5/3/23.
Joint status reports filed 5/17/23, 6/03/23, 8/10/26, 9/25/23, 11/28/23,
2/2/24, 4/2/24, 8/6/24, 9/9/24, 11/7/24, 12/10/24, 1/15/25, 2/14/25,
3/17/25, 4/17/25, 5/21/25, 6/13/25, and 7/11/25.
Stipulation of dismissal following settlement filed 8/20/25.

FUNCTIONAL GOVERNMENT INITIATIVE v. FTC, No. 1:24-cv-3022 (D.D.C.)

Parties: Functional Government Initiative

Assigned Attorneys: David S. Bettwy (AUSA)
Michele Arington (OGC)

Nature of Action: Action seeking records under the Freedom of Information Act

Status: Complaint filed 10/23/24.
FTC answer filed 1/10/25.
Joint status reports filed 1/27/25, 3/28/25, 4/28/25, 7/8/25, 9/4/25, and
12/30/25.

HORSEMEN'S BENEVOLENT & PROTECTIVE ASS'N – OHIO DIVISION v. HISA, No.
2:25-cv-98 (S.D. Ohio)

Parties: Horsemen's Benevolent & Protective Association - Ohio Division, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Ben Aiken
Taylor Pitz (DOJ)

Nature of Action: Action seeking injunctive relief against HISA monetary adjustments.

Status: Complaint and motion for preliminary injunction filed 2/4/25.
Motion for judgment on administrative record filed 5/12/25.
Response in opposition and cross motion for summary judgment filed
6/11/25.

HRNCIR v. IRS, ET AL., No. 25-40644 (5th Cir.); No. 4:24-cv-692 (E.D. Tex.)

Parties: Anthony Hrcir

Assigned Attorneys: J. Kevin McClendon (AUSA)
Michele Arington (OGC)

Nature of Action: Pro se complaint seeking to compel response by federal and state agencies with respect to alleged unauthorized use of plaintiff's intellectual property.

Status: Complaint filed 8/1/24.
Federal defendants' motion to dismiss or, in the alternative, summary judgment filed 3/18/25; plaintiff's opposition filed 4/3/25; federal defendants' reply filed 4/10/25.
Magistrate's report and recommendation to dismiss complaint entered 9/2/25.
Hrncir's objection to report and recommendation filed 9/5/25.
Order adopting report and recommendation dismissing complaint without prejudice entered 9/15/25.
Notice of appeal filed 10/3/25.

JENNER & BLOCK LLP v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, No. 25-5265 (D.C. Cir.); No. 1:25-cv-916 (D.D.C.)

Parties: Jenner & Block LLP

Assigned Attorneys: Richard Lawson (DOJ)

Nature of Action: Action seeking injunction against President's executive order concerning a law firm

Status: Complaint and TRO filed 3/28/25.
TRO granted 3/28/25.
Motion for summary judgment and declaratory and injunctive relief filed 4/8/25.
Motion to dismiss by defendants filed 4/8/25; opposition filed 4/17/25.
Order granting motion for summary judgment and permanent injunction, and denying defendants' motion to dismiss, entered 5/23/25.
Notice of appeal filed 7/22/25.

KELLY v. HORSERACING INTEGRITY & SAFETY AUTHORITY, INC., No. 4:24-cv-264 (S.D. Iowa)

Parties: Joseph Kelly
Douglas Anderson

Assigned Attorneys: Rachel Sherle (AUSA)
Alexander Sverdlov (DOJ)

Stephen Ehrlich

Nature of Action: Action seeking to declare the delegation of horseracing regulation to a private entity unconstitutional.

Status: Complaint filed 7/29/24.
FTC answer filed 11/18/24.
Amended complaint filed 2/21/25.
Plaintiffs' motion for summary judgment filed 4/30/25.
Cross motion for summary judgment and opposition to plaintiffs' motion for summary judgment filed 7/30/25; plaintiffs' reply in support of summary judgement and opposition to defendants' cross motion for summary judgment filed 8/29/25; defendants' reply in support of cross-motion for summary judgment entered 9/29/25.

KEY INVESTMENT GROUP v. FERGUSON, ET AL., No. 1:25-cv-2354 (D. Md.)

Parties: Key Investment Group LLC
TotalTickets.com LLC
Totally Tix LLC
Front Rose Tix LLC
WLK Investments LLC
Yair D. Rozmaryn
Elan N. Rozmaryn
Taylor Kurth

Assigned Attorneys: Noah Katzen (DOJ)

Nature of Action: Action seeking declaratory and injunctive relief against enforcement of the Better Online Ticket Sales Act.

Status: Complaint filed 7/21/25.
Motion to dismiss filed 11/24/25; response filed 12/23/25.

KKR & CO. v. MEKKI, No. 1:25-cv-448 (S.D.N.Y.)

Parties: KKR & Co. Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Christopher Connolly (DOJ)

Nature of Action: Action seeking relief from requirements of new HSR rule.

Status: Complaint filed 1/16/25.
DOJ and FTC's motion to dismiss filed 4/23/25.

Joint dismissal of count I of the complaint entered 5/14/25.
Order staying Counts II and III pending court's decision on KKR's motion to dismiss in *United States v. KKR & Co. Inc.*, No. 25-cv-343, entered 5/14/25.

LOUISIANA v. HORSERACING INTEGRITY & SAFETY AUTHORITY, INC., No. 22-30458 (5th Cir.); No. 6:22-cv-01934 (W.D. La.)

Parties: State of Louisiana
Louisiana State Racing Commission
Louisiana Horsemen's Benevolent & Protective Association
Louisiana Thoroughbred Breeders Association
Jockeys Guild
State of West Virginia
West Virginia Racing Commission
Bernard Chatters
Edward Fenasci
Larry Findley, Sr.
Warren Harang
Gerard Melancon

Assigned Attorneys: Alexander Sverdlov (DOJ)
Mariel Goetz (OGC)

Nature of Action: Action seeking a temporary restraining order and a preliminary injunction against the Commission and the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority to prevent the enforcement of the horseracing rules approved by the Commission and declare them invalid under the Administrative Procedure Act.

Status: Complaint filed 6/30/22.
Motion for preliminary injunction filed 6/29/22; FTC's opposition filed 7/15/22; Reply filed 7/22/22; order granting motion for preliminary injunction entered 7/26/22.
Notice of appeal filed by the Commission filed 7/30/22.
FTC's motion for stay pending appeal in 5th Circuit filed 8/1/22; opposition filed 8/3/22; FTC reply filed 8/4/22; order granting stay in part and denying in part entered 8/8/22.
FTC's opening brief filed 8/15/22; Appellees' brief filed 8/19/22; FTC's reply brief filed 8/23/22.
Oral argument held 8/30/22.
Opinion remanding to the district court for further proceedings in light of decision in *National Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association v. Black*, No. 22-10387, lifting temporary stay, entered 11/18/22.

Commission's petition for panel rehearing filed 1/3/23; denied 1/31/23.
Amended complaint and motion for TRO filed 2/6/23.
Motion to strike complaint filed 3/6/23; reply filed 4/3/23.
Memorandum in support of TRO filed 7/28/23.
Magistrate judge's report and recommendation that amended complaint be stricken and case be stayed pending outcome of appeal in *National Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association v. Black* entered 9/13/23.
Order adopting recommendation and staying case entered 9/14/23.

MEDIA MATTERS FOR AMERICA v. FTC, No. 25-5302 (D.C. Cir.); No. 1:25-cv-01959 (D.D.C.)

Parties: Media Matters for America

Assigned Attorneys: H. Thomas Byron (OGC)

Nature of Action: Action seeking injunctive relief from enforcement of CID alleging violations of plaintiff's constitutional rights under the First and Fourth Amendments.

Status: Complaint filed 6/23/25.
Plaintiff's motion for preliminary injunction filed 7/14/25; FTC's response to preliminary injunction motion filed 7/28/25; plaintiff's reply filed 8/5/25.
Motion hearing held 8/13/25.
Parties' supplemental memoranda filed 8/14/25.
Opinion and Order granting preliminary injunction entered 8/15/25.
FTC's notice of appeal and motion to stay preliminary injunction filed 8/18/25; plaintiff's opposition to stay filed 8/20/25; reply filed 8/21/25; order denying stay entered 8/22/25.
FTC's motion for stay pending appeal in court of appeals filed 8/26/25; Media Matters' response filed 9/2/25; reply filed 9/4/25; stay denied 10/23/25.

META PLATFORMS v. FTC, No. 24-5054 (D.C. Cir.); No. 1:23-cv-3562 (D.D.C.)

Parties: Meta Platforms

Assigned Attorneys: Mariel Goetz (OGC)
Bradley Grossman

Nature of Action: Action seeking injunctive and declaratory relief against the enforcement of an agency order based on a variety of constitutional claims.

Status: Complaint and motion for preliminary injunction filed 11/29/23.
Commission’s motion to dismiss and opposition to motion for preliminary injunction filed 12/13/23; Meta’s opposition to motion to dismiss and reply in support of motion for preliminary injunction filed 12/27/23; FTC reply filed 1/18/24; surreply by Meta filed 1/25/24.
Hearing held 3/1/24.
Order denying preliminary injunction and motion to dismiss pending Supreme Court’s decision in *SEC v. Jarkesy* entered 3/14/24.
Meta’s notice of appeal of denial of preliminary injunction filed 3/15/24.
Emergency motion for preliminary injunction by Meta filed 3/18/24; FTC’s opposition filed 3/21/24; reply filed 3/22/24.
Per curium order denying emergency motion entered 3/29/24.
District court case stayed pending decision in *Jarkesy* 4/16/24.
Unopposed motion to hold appeal in abeyance pending decision in *Jarkesy* filed 4/29/24; motion granted 4/30/24.
Stay terminated 11/7/24.
FTC motion to dismiss filed 8/14/24; Meta’s opposition filed on 9/13/24; FTC reply filed 9/24/24.
Meta’s motion to stay filed 6/11/25; response filed 6/20/25; reply filed 6/26/25.
Motion to stay granted 6/29/25.

NATIONAL HORSEMEN’S BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION ET AL. v. BLACK, No. 24-472 (S. Ct.); Nos. 23-10520, 23-10522, 22-10387 (5th Cir.); No. 5:21-cv-71 (N.D. Tex.)

Parties: National Horsemen’s Benevolent and Protective Association
Arizona Horsemen’s Benevolent and Protective Association
Arkansas Horsemen’s Benevolent and Protective Association
Indiana Horsemen’s Benevolent and Protective Association
Illinois Horsemen’s Benevolent and Protective Association
Louisiana Horsemen’s Benevolent and Protective Association
Mountaineer Park Horsemen’s Benevolent and Protective Association
Nebraska Horsemen’s Benevolent and Protective Association
Oklahoma Horsemen’s Benevolent and Protective Association
Oregon Horsemen’s Benevolent and Protective Association
Pennsylvania Horsemen’s Benevolent and Protective Association
Washington Horsemen’s Benevolent and Protective Association
Tampa Bay Horsemen’s Benevolent and Protective Association

Assigned Attorneys: Alexander Sverdlov (DOJ)
Brian Stoltz
Joe Busa, Jr.
Mark Stern

Mariel Goetz (OGC)
Ben Aiken

Nature of Action: Action seeking a declaratory judgment that the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act (HISA) is unconstitutional and the Commission should be permanently enjoined from implementing and enforcing the law.

Status: Complaint filed 3/15/21.
Amended complaint filed 4/2/21.
Commission's motion to dismiss filed 4/30/21; plaintiffs' opposition filed 5/28/21; Commission's reply filed 6/18/21.
Oral argument held 2/16/22.
Memorandum opinion dismissing plaintiffs' claims entered 3/31/22.
Notices of appeal filed by plaintiffs and intervenors filed 4/19/22 and 4/20/22.
Plaintiff-Appellants' and Intervenor-Appellants' briefs filed 6/28/22; Commission's brief filed 7/27/22; Appellants' reply filed 8/17/22.
Oral argument heard 8/30/22.
Opinion reversing district court judgment and remanding, ruling that HISA is facially unconstitutional under the private non-delegation doctrine, entered 11/18/22.
FTC's petition for panel rehearing filed 1/03/23; denied 1/31/23.
FTC's opposition to Gulf Coast Racing plaintiffs' motion for summary judgment and cross-motion for summary judgment (from consolidated case 5:23-cv-077) filed 3/6/23.
Plaintiffs' motion for injunction filed 3/8/23; plaintiffs' emergency motion for preliminary injunction filed 3/27/23; FTC's opposition filed 3/29/23; reply filed 3/30/23; order granting in part emergency motion for preliminary injunction entered 3/32/23.
Order consolidating case 5:23-cv-77 with lead case 5:21-cv-00071 entered 4/11/23.
Amended complaint and motion for preliminary injunction by Gulf Coast Racing plaintiffs filed 4/12/23.
Second amended complaint filed 4/14/23.
Opinion and order dismissing amended complaint entered 5/11/23.
Plaintiffs' motion for injunction pending appeal filed 5/5/23; FTC's opposition filed 5/11/23; reply filed 5/12/23; denied 5/11/23.
Notices of appeal filed 5/17/23 and 5/18/23.
Appellants' opening briefs filed 7/5/23; Commission's brief filed 8/4/23; appellant's reply brief filed 8/25/23.
Oral argument held 10/4/23.
Opinion affirming district court decision in part and reversing in part entered 7/5/24.
Petition for a writ of certiorari filed 10/2/24; opposing brief filed 11/21/24; reply filed 12/2/24.

Petition for certiorari granted, order vacating judgment below and remanding entered 6/30/25.
Appellants' supplemental brief filed 9/4/25.

NATIONAL TREASURY EXECUTIVE UNION v. TRUMP, No. 1:25-cv-00420 (D.D.C.)

Parties: National Treasury Employees Union
National Federation of Federal Employees
International Association of Machinists & Aerospace Workers, AFL-CIO
International Union, United Automobile, Aerospace and Agricultural
Implement Workers of America

Assigned Attorneys: Abhishek Kampli (DOJ)
Christopher Hall
Richard Giles

Nature of Action: Action seeking declaratory and injunctive relief for allegations of unlawful federal employee firings, resignation programs, and violations of the RIF statute and regulations.

Status: Complaint filed 2/12/25.
Motion for TRO filed 2/14/25.
Amended complaint filed 2/17/25.
Defendants' opposition to TRO filed 2/17/25; reply filed 2/18/25.
Hearing on motion for TRO and PI held 2/18/25.
Opinion and Order denying entered 2/20/25.
Defendants' motion to dismiss filed 5/15/25.
Voluntary dismissal of plaintiff International Union, United Automobile, Aerospace and Agricultural Implement Workers of America filed 5/27/25.
Second amended complaint adding defendants including FTC and terminating others filed 6/6/25.
Motion to dismiss second amended complaint filed 7/11/25; opposition filed 8/15/25; reply filed 8/29/25.

OWNBEY V. FTC, No.1:25-cv-73 (D.D.C.)

Parties: Austin Ownbey

Assigned Attorneys: Samantha-Josephine Baker (AUSA)
Michele Arington (OGC)

Nature of Action: Action seeking records under Freedom of Information Act.

Status: Complaint filed 1/10/25
FTC's answer filed 3/26/25.
Joint status reports filed 4/15/25, 6/16/25, 8/25/25, and 12/17/25.

PEREZ v. HORSERACING INTEGRITY AND SAFETY AUTHORITY INC., No. 2:24-cv-6397 (S.D.N.Y.)

Parties: Luis Jorge Perez

Assigned Attorneys: Ben Aiken (OGC)

Nature of Action: Action seeks to appeal sanctions under HISA Rules for possessing a banned substance at a racetrack.

Status: Complaint filed 9/12/24.
Defendants' letter to court construed as motion to dismiss filed 6/6/25;
Plaintiff's responsive letter filed 6/23/25.
Order dismissing case without prejudice entered 8/26/25; order dismissing case with prejudice entered 11/4/25.

PROPERTIES OF THE VILLAGES v. FTC, No. 24-13102 (11th Cir.); No. 5:24-cv-316 (M.D. Fla.)

Parties: Properties of the Villages, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Ben Aiken (OGC)
Arjun Mody (DOJ)
Taisa Goodnature
Sean Janda
Urja Mittal
Michael Raab

Nature of Action: Action seeking declaratory judgment and permanent injunction holding the Commission's noncompete rule unlawful.

Status: Complaint filed 6/21/24.
Motion for preliminary injunction filed 7/2/24; FTC opposition filed 7/31/24; reply filed 8/15/24.
Hearing on PI motion held 8/15/24.
Preliminary injunction granted 8/15/24.
Notice of appeal filed 9/24/24.
FTC opening brief filed 11/4/24.
Order granting stay entered 3/20/25.

FTC motion to dismiss appeal filed 9/5/25; order dismissing appeal entered 9/10/25.

PROTECT THE PUBLIC'S TRUST v. FTC, No. 1:25-cv-48 (D.D.C.)

Parties: Protect the Public's Trust

Assigned Attorneys: Andrew J. Vaden (AUSA)
Michele Arington (OGC)

Nature of Action: Action seeking withheld records under FOIA.

Status: Complaint filed 1/8/25.
Answer filed 2/20/25.
Joint status reports filed 3/1/25, 5/12/25, and 8/12/25.

RODRIGUEZ v. FTC, No. 1:25-cv-2401 (D.D.C.)

Parties: Hiran Rodriguez

Assigned Attorneys: Allison Brown (AUSA)
Michele Arington (OGC)

Nation of Action: Action seeking records under Freedom of Information Act.

Status: Complaint filed 7/14/25.
Answer filed 9/10/25.
Plaintiff's motion for summary judgment filed 9/13/25; FTC's opposition and cross-motion for summary judgment filed 12/18/25; plaintiff's reply to opposition filed and cross-motion filed 12/25/25.

RYAN, LLC v. FTC, No: 24-10951 (5th Cir.); No. 3:24-cv-986 (N.D. Tex.)

Parties: Ryan LLC
Chamber of Commerce (Intervenor Plaintiff)
Business Roundtable (Intervenor Plaintiff)
Texas Association of Business (Intervenor Plaintiff)
Longview Chamber of Commerce (Intervenor Plaintiff)

Assigned Attorneys: Rachael Westmoreland (DOJ)
Arjun Mody (DOJ/Fed Programs)
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Ben Aiken (OGC)

Nature of Action: Action seeking declaratory judgment and permanent injunction holding the Commission's noncompete rule unlawful.

Status: Complaint filed 4/23/24.
Plaintiff's motion to stay effective date and for preliminary injunction filed 5/1/24; FTC response filed 5/29/24; plaintiff's reply filed 6/12/24.
Plaintiff's emergency motion to expedite briefing regarding motion for stay and PI filed 5/1/24; FTC response filed 5/2/24; plaintiff's reply filed 5/2/24; motion denied 5/7/24.
Intervenor complaint by Chamber of Commerce et al. for declaratory and injunctive relief filed 5/9/24.
Chamber's motion to stay effective date of rule and for preliminary injunction filed 5/10/24.
Preliminary injunction enjoining enforcement of the rule against the plaintiffs entered 7/3/24.
Motion for reconsideration on the scope of relief filed 7/10/24; response filed 7/11/24.; order denying the motion for reconsideration entered 7/11/24.
Plaintiff's motion for summary judgment filed 7/19/24; FTC's motion for summary judgement filed 8/2/24; FTC response filed 8/2/24; plaintiff's response filed 8/9/24; reply filed 8/16/24.
Order granting plaintiff's motion for summary judgment granted and denying FTC's cross-motion for summary judgment entered 8/20/24.
Notice of appeal filed 10/18/24.
Stay granted 3/12/25.FTC motion to dismiss appeal filed 9/5/25; order granting motion entered 9/8/25.
Ric Davidson intervene motion and to recall mandate filed 10/31/25; FTC opposition filed 11/10/25; Ryan's opposition filed 11/10/25; order denying motion to intervene entered 11/11/25.

SCOTT v. HISA, ET AL., No. 2:25-cv-632 (D.N.M.)

Parties: Jason Scott

Assigned Attorneys: Taylor Pitz (DOJ)
Ben Aiken (OGC)

Nation of Action: Action seeking declaratory and injunctive relief and judicial review of an order approving the anti-doping and medication control rules promulgated by the HISA.

Status: Complaint filed 7/3/25.
Motion for preliminary injunction filed 7/11/25; defendants' opposition filed 8/4/25; reply filed 8/8/25.
Preliminary injunction hearing held 8/13/25.
Supplemental briefs filed by parties on 8/25/25.
Order denying preliminary injunction entered 10/22/25.

SERPE v. FTC ET AL., No. 24-cv-61939 (S.D. Fla.)

Parties: Phillip Serpe

Assigned Attorneys: Stephen Ehrlich (DOJ)

Nature of Action: Action seeking to declare the HISA rules as an unconstitutional delegation of authority and impermissible under the 7th Amendment.

Status: Complaint filed 10/17/24.
Motion for preliminary injunction filed 10/23/24; opposition filed 1/24/25; reply filed 2/14/25.
Order denying preliminary injunction entered 5/29/25.
Renewed motion for preliminary injunction filed 7/15/25; opposition response filed 8/15/25; reply filed 8/22/25.
Order denying renewed preliminary injunction entered 10/30/25.

SPALDING v. FTC, No. 1:23-cv-3873 (D.D.C.)

Parties: David L. Spalding

Assigned Attorneys: Thomas Duffy (AUSA)
Michele Arington (OGC)

Nature of Action: Action seeking records under the Freedom of Information Act.

Status: Complaint filed 12/26/23.
FTC answer filed 2/14/25.
Status report filed 5/1/25.
Motion for summary judgment by FTC filed 7/1/25.
Motion to stay briefing schedule by Spalding filed 7/12/25; stay granted 8/25/25.

SUSMAN GODFREY LLP V. EXEC. OFF. OF THE PRESIDENT, No. 25-5310 (D.C. Cir.);
No. 1:25-cv-1107 (D.D.C.)

Parties: Susman Godfrey LLP

Assigned Attorneys: Richard Lawson (DOJ)
Abhishek Kambli

Nature of Action: Action seeking injunctive relief against an executive order concerning a law firm.

Status: Complaint filed 4/11/25.
Motion for temporary restraining order filed 4/14/25.
Temporary restraining order granted 4/15/25.
Motion for summary judgment and permanent injunctive relief filed 4/23/25; defendants' opposition filed 4/30/25; reply filed 5/5/25.
Defendants' motion to dismiss filed 4/23/25.
Amended complaint filed 5/9/25
Defendants' motion to dismiss amended complaint filed 5/12/25.
Plaintiff's motion for summary judgment filed 5/12/25.
Order denying motion to dismiss and granting motion for summary judgment entered 6/27/25.
Motion to clarify order on motion to dismiss and summary judgment filed 7/29/25; order entered 7/29/25.
Notice of appeal by defendants filed 8/22/25.

THORTON EL v. BRECKENRIDGE PROPERTY FUND ET AL., No. 2:25 -cv-9418 (C.D. Cal.)

Parties: Elzira Mae Thorton El

Assigned Attorneys: Alexander Farrell (AUSA)
Michele Arington (OGC)

Nature of the Action: Action seeking relief related to foreclosure and eviction.

Status: Complaint filed 10/2/25.
Federal defendant's motion to dismiss filed 12/11/25; plaintiff's opposition filed 12/29/25.

WALMSLEY ET AL. v. FTC ET AL., No. 24-420 (S. Ct.); No 23-2687 (8th Cir.); No. 3:23-cv-81 (E.D. Ark.)

Parties: Bill Walmsley

Jon Moss
Iowa Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association

Assigned Attorneys: Alexander Sverdlov (DOJ-CIV)
Joshua Newton
Stephen Ehrlich

Nature of Action: Action seeking injunctive and declaratory relief against the FTC and the Commission claiming that the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act (HISA) is unconstitutional and the Commission should be permanently enjoined from implementing and enforcing the law.

Status: Complaint filed 4/6/23.
Plaintiffs' motion for preliminary injunction filed 4/11/23; FTC opposition filed 5/15/23; Plaintiffs' reply filed 5/23/23.
Order denying plaintiffs' motion for preliminary injunction entered 7/11/23.
Notice of appeal filed 7/21/23.
Appellant's brief filed 10/11/23; Commission's response brief filed 12/13/23; reply brief filed 1/19/24.
Oral argument held 6/12/24.
Opinion affirming the decision below entered 9/20/24.
Petition for writ of certiorari filed 10/10/24; brief of federal respondents entered 11/6/24; reply filed 11/19/24.
Petition for certiorari granted, order vacating judgment below and remanding entered 6/30/25.
Case reopened 8/1/25.
Parties' supplemental briefs filed 12/22/25.

WILMER CUTLER PICKERING HALE AND DORR LLP v. EXEC. OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT ET AL., No. 25-5277 (D.C. Cir.); No. 1:25-cv-917 (D.D.C.)

Parties: Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP

Assigned Attorneys: Richard Lawson (DOJ)
Abhishek Kampli

Nature of Action: Action seeking junctive relief against an executive order concerning a law firm.

Status: Complaint and motion for preliminary injunction and TRO filed 3/28/25.
Order granting in part and denying in part TRO entered 3/28/25.
Defendants' motion to dismiss filed 4/8/25; opposition filed 4/17/25.
Plaintiff's motion for summary judgment filed 4/8/25.

Order granting in part and denying in part motions to dismiss and for summary judgment entered 5/27/25.
Order granting plaintiff's motion to clarify and amended order entered 6/26/25.
Defendants' notice of appeal filed 7/25/25.

WONG v. FTC, Nos. No.6:25-cv-562, 6:24-cv-1410 (W.D. La.)

Parties: Jonathan Wong

Assigned Attorneys: Alexander Sverdlov
Stephen Ehrlich

Nature of Action: Action challenging the enforcement of HISA rules as unconstitutional via improper delegation of legislative authority and a violation of due process.

Status: Complaint filed 10/15/24.
Motion for preliminary injunction filed 10/16/24; response in opposition filed 11/22/24; reply filed 12/9/24.
Motion to dismiss or hold in abeyance filed 11/22/24; response filed 12/16/24; reply filed 12/23/24.
Memorandum ruling granting motion to dismiss Plaintiff's claims for lack of personal jurisdiction over defendant Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority, and indispensable party, entered 3/25/25.
Complaint against FTC and motion for preliminary injunction filed 4/25/25.
FTC's opposition to preliminary injunction filed 6/9/25; reply filed 6/12/25.
Joint stipulation motion to withdraw motion for preliminary injunction as moot filed 7/18/25; order entered 7/18/25.
FTC answer filed 7/22/25.
Plaintiff's motion for summary judgment filed 7/22/25; FTC response/cross motion filed 8/22/25; Plaintiff's reply/response filed 8/27/25; FTC reply filed 9/17/25.

XLEAR, INC. v. FTC, No. 2:25-cv-00484 (D. Utah)

Parties: Xlear, Inc.

Assigned Attorneys: Matt Hoffman (OGC)

Nature of Action: Declaratory relief under the Administrative Procedure Act and the Federal Declaratory Judgment Act concerning prohibitions of false statements and unfair or deceptive action under Section 5(a) and 12 of the FTC Act.

Status: Complaint filed 6/18/25.
Motion to dismiss filed 8/25/25.
Amended complaint filed 12/12/25.

AMICUS CURIAE BRIEFS OR PARTIAL INTERVENTIONS

COSTAR GROUP v. CREXI, No. 25-667 (S. Ct.); No. 23-55662 (9th Cir.)

Assigned Attorneys: Mariel Goetz (OGC)

Nature of Action: Action involving antitrust counterclaims against commercial real estate information firm, CoStar.

Status: Amicus brief of the FTC in support of CREXI filed 1/26/24.
Oral argument heard 10/9/24.
Opinion affirming in part, reversing in part, and remanding in part entered 6/23/25.
Amended order entered 9/5/25.
Costar filed petition for certiorari on 12/4/25.

DUKE ENERGY CAROLINA LLC, ET AL. v. NTE CAROLINAS LLC, No. 24-917 (S. Ct.)

Assigned Attorneys: Mariel Goetz (OGC)

Nature of Action: Private antitrust action for alleged violation of Section 2 of the Sherman Act.

Status: Amicus curiae brief of the United States in response to Court invitation filed 12/1/25.

EPIC GAMES, INC. v. GOOGLE LLC ET AL., No. 25-521 (S. Ct.); No. 24-6256 (9th Cir.);
No. 3:20-5671 (N.D. Cal.)

Assigned Attorneys: Mariel Goetz (OGC)
Kelly Ortiz (BC)

Nature of Action: Action alleging the acquisition and/or maintenance of monopolies in the market for Android apps and seeking injunctive remedies to address this conduct.

Status: Amicus brief of the FTC filed 8/12/24.
Order and permanent injunction entered 10/7/24.
Brief of the United States and the FTC as Amici Curiae in Support of Plaintiff-Appellee filed 10/26/24 and 1/7/25.
Oral argument held 2/3/25.
Opinion affirming district court's verdict and permanent injunction entered 7/31/25.

Petition for writ of certiorari filed 10/27/25.

NELSON v. EXPERIAN, No. 24-10147 (11th Cir.)

Assigned Attorneys: Mariel Goetz (OGC)

Nature of Action: Action concerning the Fair Credit Reporting Act's requirement that credit reporting agencies conduct a reasonable reinvestigation in response to a consumer's dispute regarding information contained in the consumer's file.

Status: Brief of CFPB and FTC as amici curiae in support of plaintiff-appellant filed 3/29/24.
Oral argument held 5/9/25.
Opinion and judgment vacating district court's judgment and remanding proceedings entered 7/18/25.

SHANAHAN v. IXL LEARNING, INC., No. 24-6985 (9th Cir.)

Assigned Attorneys: H. Thomas Byron (OGC)

Nature of Action: Private action seeking to enforce the COPPA provisions against an education services provider.

Status: FTC amicus curiae brief in support of plaintiffs-appellees filed 8/13/25.

SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS SERVICE CO. v. INTUITIVE SURGICAL, INC., No. 25-1372 (9th Cir.)

Assigned Attorneys: Mariel Goetz (OGC)

Nature of Action: Private antitrust action alleging violations of Sections 1 and 2 of the Sherman Act related to aftermarket competition.

Status: FTC amicus curiae brief in support of neither party filed 8/6/25.

TEXAS v. BLACKROCK, No. 6:24-cv-437 (E.D. Tex.)

Assigned Attorneys: Anu Sawkar (OGC)
Clarke Edwards (BC)

Nature of Action: Action seeking injunctive relief against an asset manager for alleged

monopolization of coal markets.

Status: Statement of interest of the FTC filed 5/22/25.

UNITED HEALTHCARE SERVICES, INC v. GILEAD SCIENCES, INC ET AL., No. 24-1639 (9th Cir.)

Assigned Attorneys: H. Thomas Byron (OGC)

Nature of Action: Private action alleging an unlawful reverse-payment scheme.

Status: Amicus brief for the FTC in support of neither party filed 9/24/24.
Oral argument held 10/9/25.

UNITED STATES v. GOOGLE, 1:20-cv-3010 (D.D.C.)

Assigned Attorneys: Anu Sawkar (OGC)

Nature of Action: Action seeking injunctive relief against Google for unlawfully maintaining monopolies in general search services and general search text ads.

Status: Amicus brief for the FTC addressing remedy filed 5/12/25.
Opinion entered 9/2/25; final judgment entered 12/5/25.