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Christopher Ondeck and Bart Williams Named Top 100 Trial Lawyers by Benchmark Litigation

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WASHINGTON, D.C. & LOS ANGELES, October 30, 2025 – Proskauer is honored to announce that partners Christopher Ondeck and Bart Williams have been named among *Benchmark Litigation's* 2026 Top 100 Trial Lawyers. The annual list consists of an elite group of trial lawyers who have been revered by peers and clients for their excellence in the courtroom.

Chris is co-head of Proskauer's Antitrust Group and head of its Washington, D.C. office. With more than 25 years of experience, he is one of the most highly rated antitrust lawyers in the U.S. and a go-to litigator for clients in high-profile matters. In 2023, Chris won the largest antitrust jury trial of the year, and one of the largest in history, by securing a landmark victory on behalf of Sanderson Farms in a $7 billion antitrust case, successfully defeating claims that Sanderson Farms participated in a supply reduction conspiracy with other producers in the broiler industry between 2008 and 2012. His achievements have earned recognition through numerous accolades, including being named Antitrust Litigator of the Year by *Benchmark Litigation* in 2025.

Bart serves as chair of the Firm's Litigation Department and head of its Los Angeles office. A Fellow of The American College of Trial Lawyers, Bart has served as lead counsel for numerous Fortune 500 companies in their most challenging and high-profile matters. He is frequently brought in just months or even weeks before trial to secure a win and has a distinguished track record of success. In 2023, Bart obtained a complete defense verdict on behalf of Gilead Sciences in a $3.6 billion antitrust case alleging that Gilead struck an anticompetitive "pay-for-delay" settlement agreement with a leading generic drug manufacturer to resolve a patent invalidity lawsuit for the purpose of delaying the generic's entry into the relevant market for two of Gilead's highly successful HIV medications.

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The world's leading organizations and global players choose Proskauer to represent them when they need it the most. With 800+ lawyers in key financial centers around the world, we are highly regarded for our expertise combined with our pragmatic and commercial approach. Proskauer is the place to turn when a matter is complex, innovative and game-changing. We work seamlessly across practices, industries and jurisdictions with asset managers, private equity and venture capital firms, Fortune 500 and FTSE companies, major sports leagues, entertainment industry legends and other industry-redefining companies.

Proskauer has a full-service litigation practice with extensive trial experience in virtually every major forum across the globe. We take a collaborative approach to representing defendants and plaintiffs, multinationals, middle-market and small-cap businesses, financial institutions, partnerships and individuals, with one thing in mind – driving successful outcomes for our clients.

Recent successful representations include a landmark victory for Sanderson Farms in a $7 billion broiler chicken antitrust conspiracy case; a decisive victory for Gilead Sciences, Inc. in a $3.6 billion antitrust case; and a unanimous defense win for Major League Soccer in a complex, multi-year antitrust suit brought by the North American Soccer League against MLS and the United States Soccer Federation alleging antitrust violations and monopoly practices.

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