

is the Director of the U.S. Federal Trade Commission's Office of International Affairs, which leads the international aspects of the FTC's enforcement activities and

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Chairman.

Introductory Remarks

Joseph J. Simons was sworn in as Chairman of the U.S. Federal Trade Commission on May 1, 2018. Before joining the Commission, Simons was a partner at Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP and Co-Chair of the firm's Antitrust Group. His practice focused on antitrust M&A, litigation, and counseling. Prior to joining Paul, Weiss, he was the Director of the FTC's Bureau of Competition from 2001 until 2003, and he served an earlier stint at the Bureau of Competition from 1987 to 1989 as Assistant to the Director, then Assistant Director for Evaluation, and finally Associate Director for Mergers.

Setting the International Scene

William E. Kovacic is Global Competition Professor of Law and Policy, Professor of Law, and Director of the Competition Law Center at George Washington University Law School. Since August 2013, Professor Kovacic has served as a Non-Executive Director of the United Kingdom's Competition and Markets Authority. From January 2006 to October 2011, he was an FTC Commissioner and served as Chairman from March 2008 to March 2009. He has advised many countries and international organizations on antitrust, consumer protection, government contracts, and the design of regulatory institutions.

Building Enforcement Cooperation for the 21st Century

Matthew Boswell is the Commissioner of Competition of the Competition Bureau Canada. Mr. Boswell

