



history of finding and prosecuting anticompetitive or fraudulent schemes that follow disasters.<sup>5</sup> As a member of the National Center for Disaster Fraud Task Force, the Antitrust Division is committed to offering its expertise and assistance in the wake of the devastation caused by Ida.<sup>6</sup>

In addition, both the Antitrust Division and FTC have authority to investigate and bring cases involving civil violations of the antitrust and consumer protection laws. For example, FTC

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