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# Global Competition Review Recognizes Troutman Pepper with 'Behavioural Matter of the Year' Award for Poultry Exec's Antitrust Trial Win

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**NEW YORK** – Troutman Pepper is among a team of law firms to receive *Global Competition Review's* "Behavioural Matter of the Year – Americas" award for the firm's role in securing acquittals in the U.S. Department of Justice's broiler chicken probe. The award recognizes "creative, strategic and innovative work carried out in a non-merger matter before an enforcer in the Americas."

In 2022, for the third time in two years, Troutman Pepper attorneys successfully represented Scott Brady, national account salesman for Claxton Poultry, against antitrust charges when a Denver jury returned a verdict of not guilty finding there was no conspiracy among him and other poultry executives to fix prices in the sale of chicken to fast food restaurants and grocery stores. Two earlier trials resulted in mistrials because of hung juries.

The Troutman Pepper team representing Mr. Brady included Bryan Lavine, Megan Rahman, LA Kuykendall, and Jhony Ospina, among others. Read more about the three-peat. Listen to a podcast about the case.

Troutman Pepper was recognized March 28 at *Global Competition Review's* 13th annual awards event, which honors the biggest cases from 2022 alongside the world's leading antitrust lawyers, economists, enforcers, and academics.

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