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Acting Assistant Attorney General for Antitrust

Thomas O. Barnett became Acting Assistant Attorney General of the Antitrust Division, United States Department of Justice, effective June 25, 2005. Previously, Mr. Barnett served as Deputy Assistant Attorney General for civil enforcement for the Antitrust Division, a position occupied since April 18, 2004. Prior to joining the Antitrust Division, Mr. Barnett was a partner in the Washington, D.C. office of Covington & Burling, where he served as Vice Chair of the firm's Antitrust and Consumer Protection Practice Group. At Covington & Burling, Mr. Barnett provided counsel on corporate transactions and licensing arrangements in the airline, chemical, construction aggregate, defense, hospital, petroleum, pharmaceutical and other industries. Mr. Barnett is experienced in antitrust litigation and, among others, in antitrust issues involving intellectual property, e-commerce, sports law, and corporate compliance programs.

From 1989 to 1990, Mr. Barnett clerked for The Hon. Harrison Winter of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. He has been an adjunct professor at Georgetown University Law Center and was a co-teacher of an advanced antitrust seminar at the University of Virginia School of Law. Mr. Barnett is a member of the Maryland and District of Columbia Bars and the Antitrust Section of the American Bar Association.

Mr. Barnett graduated *magna cum laude* from Harvard Law School in 1989 where he was a John M. Olin Fellow in Law and Economics. He received a Master of Science degree in economics in 1986 from the London School of Economics while a Fulbright Scholar to the United Kingdom. He received his B.A. in 1985 from Yale University where he graduated *summa cum laude*.