

## Press Release

### **Freeborn Welcomes Dylan Smith to Complex Litigation & Antitrust Team** **A seasoned litigator, Smith formerly served as an Assistant U.S. Attorney**

**CHICAGO – Dec. 15, 2014** – The Chicago-based law firm [Freeborn & Peters LLP](#) has announced that Dylan Smith has joined the firm as a Partner in its [Complex Litigation & Antitrust Team](#). Mr. Smith comes to the firm with more than a decade of commercial litigation experience in private practice. Immediately prior to joining Freeborn, he served as an Assistant U.S. Attorney in Chicago.

“Dylan has shown himself throughout his career to be a talented and driven litigator,” said [Jill Anderson](#), Leader of the firm’s Complex Litigation & Antitrust Team. “His combination of experiences in private practice and public service gives him a unique depth of knowledge and skills, which we look forward to leveraging for the benefit of our clients.”

As an Assistant U.S. Attorney, Mr. Smith prosecuted and tried cases involving a broad array of federal crimes, including narcotics, firearm, conspiracy, sex-trafficking, and identity-theft offenses, as well as financial crimes such as bank fraud, wire and mail fraud, and tax fraud. Prior to his service as a federal prosecutor, he was a partner at Verrill Dana LLP, one of Maine’s oldest and best-known law firms. His practice encompassed a range of complex business litigation, including matters involving antitrust, securities law, civil RICO, bankruptcy, D&O claims, and related insurance coverage disputes.

Mr. Smith served as a law clerk to Judge Joel M. Flaum of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit in Chicago. He began his career as an associate at Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen & Hamilton LLP in New York City. In this role, he litigated complex commercial cases in federal and state court as well as before international arbitral tribunals. He then worked for the New York State Attorney General’s Office as an Assistant Attorney General in the Public Integrity Unit, where he investigated and litigated cases involving official corruption and misappropriation of public funds.

Mr. Smith is admitted to practice in Illinois, New York, Maine, the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York, the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York, the U.S. District Court for the District of Maine, and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit. He received his juris doctor from Yale Law School and his Bachelor of Arts in history, *magna cum laude*, from Yale University.

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industries, including credit unions, food, transportation, private equity and venture capital and insurance and reinsurance.

Freeborn is a firm that genuinely lives up to its core values of integrity, caring, effectiveness, teamwork, and commitment, and embodies them through high standards of client service and responsive action. Its lawyers build close and lasting relationships with clients and are driven to help them achieve their legal and business objectives.

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