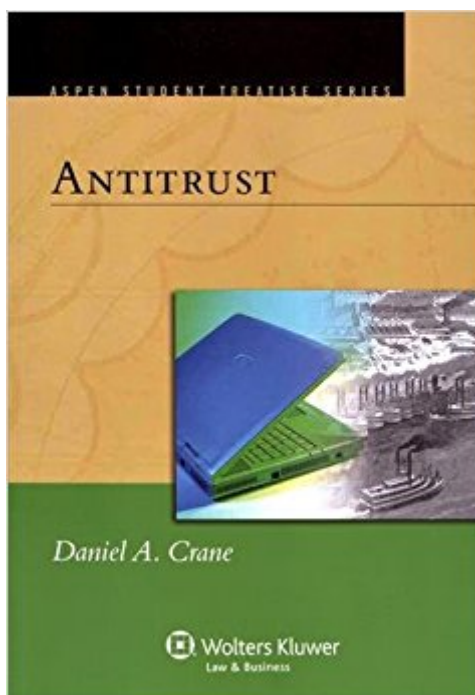


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# Antitrust (Aspen Treatise)



## Synopsis

A concise student treatise on antitrust that includes the basics of the microeconomic foundations on which modern antitrust doctrine is built. Many students stumble trying to disentangle economic theory from doctrine, and this treatise expertly blends the two, clearly and concisely defining the terms and basic concepts that all antitrust students need to know. Author Daniel Crane is well regarded for his antitrust scholarship. Comprehensive overview of the major antitrust statutes, including Sherman, Clayton, FTC, Robinson-Patman, and Hart-Scott-Rodino Acts, including substantive operation, antitrust immunities, and questions of standing and jurisdiction.

Nontechnical explanations of economic theories for students without economics background.

Orientation on how to triage and analyze antitrust problems, such as distinctions between unilateral and coordinated behavior and vertical and horizontal arrangements. Systematic examination of 2010 Horizontal Merger Guidelines with illustrations from litigated cases.

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## Customer Reviews

Before you buy this book, note its brevity and adjust your expectations accordingly. It covers the entirety of antitrust law in ~200 pages, and the discussion thus necessarily carries on at a high level of generality. I bought this book to get a broad overview of US antitrust law in a brief space, and it served me quite well for that purpose. It is a good tool understand where each doctrine that you would study in a semester falls within the broader antitrust doctrine. It is written in clear prose and flows very easily. There is adequate discussion of some of the landmark cases, but the facts and

the reasoning in those cases are not explored in much detail. I would think that this book would be good to read before the semester began, or during the second half of the semester when you are somewhat familiar with the cases being discussed. But if you are looking for help in the days before finals I would advise you to look elsewhere. And I have to express my disappointment that the publisher only lets you see the table of contents and part of the preface before you have to decide whether to buy the book. I would have liked to see the treatment of at least one complete subject before shelling out \$50.

I registered for antitrust thinking it would be one of my favorite classes. Come to find out, antitrust has a well-deserved reputation as the most boring class in law school. Antitrust is boring because there is very little doctrine, and every cause boils down to economic analysis. However, this book at least summarizes and clarifies the standard economic arguments that come up in antitrust cases. It also does a good job of distinguishing the cases that are no longer authoritative from those that are. Overall, this book is a helpful tool if, like me, you find antitrust to be a disorganized mess in need of some structure.

Great book for understanding antitrust! I would not have survived the final without it. It really helps you cut through to why the particular cases matter in particular areas.

As another reviewer mentioned, the book is concise - it won't be useful if you want to learn every case. It does seem to cover most of the big ones, though, and it's an excellent and appropriately concise review of contemporary antitrust law. I read about half of it in the day or two before my final and found very useful for "putting it all together," and for reviewing the major blackletter. Antitrust law, at least as it was taught at my school, doesn't have a ton of important blackletter, so I found the book's focus on economic and big-picture arguments to be useful [there is blackletter, but it's not usually the real lynchpin of the legal analysis, rather than just being a framework to guide an otherwise mostly-free-form economic analysis on which the case usually turns). In all, I found the book very useful. It's brevity, for my purposes, was an asset, because it focused on the most important things without making me feel like I had just signed up to read a second textbook. I will second the other reviewers' point though - this is not the book to get if you never went to class, have no notes, and need to learn EVERYTHING. Its strength is as an overview and a review, to supplement your notes and your class time, or to provide some big-picture background to some research you're doing.

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Great book, with thorough coverage of the subject

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