FOREWORD

The American Bar Association Section of Antitrust Law is pleased to publish the second edition of the *Intellectual Property and Antitrust Handbook*.

The *Handbook* is intended to serve as an introduction and general guide to the application of the federal antitrust laws to intellectual property. It explores in detail the antitrust issues that arise from the acquisition, licensing, and enforcement of patents, copyrights, trademarks, and other forms of intellectual property, as well as developments in patent, copyright, and intellectual property law from the standpoint of economics and competition policy.

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We encourage those who practice in this important and fast-developing field to make full use of this excellent *Handbook*.

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