

WILLIAM E. KOVACIC

Mr. Kovacic was recently appointed the Chairman of the U.S. Federal Trade Commission. Mr. Kovacic received an A.B. degree from Princeton University in 1974 and a J.D. degree from Columbia University in 1978. In 1978-1979, he was a law clerk to the Honorable Roszel C. Thomsen, U.S. District Judge for the District of Maryland. From 1979 to 1983, he worked at the FTC, first with the Bureau of Competition's Planning Office and later as an attorney-advisor to Commissioner George W. Douglas. From 1983 to 1986 he was an associate with the Washington D.C. office of Bryan Cave, where he practiced in the firm's antitrust and government contracts departments. From 1986 to 1999, he was a professor at the George Mason University School of Law School. He was the E.K Gubin Professor of Government Contracts Law at the George Washington University Law School in Washington, D.C., where he joined the faculty in 1999. At George Washington University, Mr. Kovacic taught antitrust, contracts, government contracts, and a seminar in comparative government procurement law. He previously taught courses or seminars on Economic Law Reform in Transition Economies, Property, Quantitative Methods for Lawyers, and Unfair Trade Practices. From June 2001 through December 2004, Mr. Kovacic served as the FTC's General Counsel.

He began his service as an FTC Commissioner on January 4, 2006. Before his appointment to the FTC, Mr. Kovacic is a Past Chair of the Antitrust and Economic Regulation Committee of the Association of American Law Schools. He is co-author, with Andrew I. Gavil and Jonathan B. Baker, of **Antitrust Law in Perspective: Cases, Concepts and Problems in Competition Policy** (Thomson West 2002) and is co-author, with Ernest Gellhorn and Stephen Calkins, of the Fifth Edition of **Antitrust Law and Economics in a Nutshell** (Thomson West 2004). Since 1992 Mr. Kovacic has served as an advisor on antitrust or consumer protection issues to the governments of Armenia, Benin, Egypt, El Salvador, Georgia, Guyana, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Mongolia, Morocco, Nepal, Panama, Russia, Ukraine, Vietnam, and Zimbabwe.