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# President Donald J. Trump Announces Intent to Nominate Makan Delrahim to the Department of Justice

President Donald J. Trump today announced his intent to nominate Makan Delrahim to the Department of Justice.

**If confirmed, Makan Delrahim of California will serve as an Assistant Attorney General (Anti-Trust Division) at the Department of Justice.** Mr. Delrahim currently serves as Deputy Assistant and Deputy Counsel to the President. Previously, he was a partner at a national law firm in Los Angeles, practicing antitrust and intellectual property law. He was also an adjunct professor of law at Pepperdine University. Prior to private practice, he was Deputy Assistant Attorney General for the Antitrust Division at the Justice Department. He served on the U.S. Attorney General's Task Force on Intellectual Property, and as Chairman of the Merger Working Group of the International Competition Network. Mr. Delrahim served as Commissioner on the U.S. Antitrust Modernization Commission. He also served as Staff Director and Chief Counsel of the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee, where he initially started as antitrust counsel and was the principal staff architect of landmark antitrust merger reform legislation. Mr. Delrahim, earlier served at the Office of the United States Trade Representative, and practiced antitrust law as an associate at a national law firm in Washington, D.C. Mr. Delrahim received his J.D., with high honors, from the George Washington University School of Law, his M.S. from Johns Hopkins University, and his B.S. from UCLA.