

## **NEWS & INSIGHTS**

## **JACK SHARMAN QUOTED AND PUBLISHED IN LAW360**

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Lightfoot, Franklin and White LLC partner **Jack Sharman** was quoted in a **Law360 article** about how the United States Department of Justice (DOJ) may need to rethink how it prosecutes alleged criminal conspiracies to restrict hiring and fixed wages. He also published **a column** on summer reading recommendations for white-collar attorneys.

The Law360 article quoting Sharman, titled "A Per Se Setback for DOJ's No-Poach Prosecutions", discusses how U.S. Department of Justice Antitrust Division prosecutors have failed to win a single jury conviction for any no-poach or wage-fixing criminal charges since 2020. In his comments to Law360, Sharman notes: "It seems like the division's current aggressive focus ... has perhaps overridden some of the realities that its trial lawyers have to deal with, on the ground and in the courtroom." He also told Law360 that the DOJ "seems to have put over-reliance on communications" between defendants indicating agreement.

Sharman's column for Law360 is titled "12 Summer Reads for White Collar Attorneys". His recommendations include "The Fall" by Albert Camus, a story narrated by a disgraced lawyer sitting in a Dutch bar, and "The Great Gatsby" by F. Scott Fitzgerald, which Sharman encourages readers to view from a money, power and moral attention lens.

"Law is sometimes called a learned profession, but many lawyers do not read broadly or deeply after law school," Sharman writes. "The press of work does not allow otherwise. Our learning is utilitarian, cramped and soon forgotten. Our conversations are adversarial."

Sharman leads Lightfoot's White-Collar Criminal Defense and Corporate Investigations practice group. Most notabley, he served as Special Counsel to Congress during the Whitewater investigation.