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Dr. Walter Vandaele is a Managing Director and Principal at Navigant Economics with expertise in the areas of antitrust economics, industrial organization, and econometric and statistical analyses. His practice is focused on economic and damages valuation issues arising in antitrust, intellectual property matters involving patent infringement, breach of contract, and various other types of commercial disputes. He has consulted and testified most extensively in engagements involving the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries but also has experience in numerous other industries, including telecommunications, computer software, energy services equipment providers, uranium, athletic footwear, and internet services providers. In his antitrust engagements, Walter has analyzed such issues as price bundling, loyalty rebates, exclusive dealing, prospective merger impacts, and average wholesale price reimbursement. In patent litigation, he has analyzed patent infringement damages, patent-related sources of a drug's 'commercial success,' and economic factors associated with preliminary injunctions. More generally, Walter's consulting engagements have ranged from analyzing lost profit and lost value damages associated with license and contract disputes and shareholder lawsuits, to providing fairness opinions in class action litigation, to evaluating the 'adequacy' of competition in regulatory hearings for registering new importers of narcotic raw materials. He has submitted oral and written testimony in numerous Federal and State Courts, in mediation and arbitration matters, and in regulatory proceedings in the United States and abroad.

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