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Shara L. Aranoff, a distinguished leader in international trade law, has devoted over three decades to advancing United States trade policy and enforcement. As former Chairman of the US International Trade Commission (USITC), she guided high-stakes investigations protecting US markets and intellectual property rights. Known for her strategic insight and expertise in trade remedies and tariffs, Aranoff has shaped critical policies impacting global manufacturers, technology firms, and life sciences companies. Her contributions reflect a steadfast commitment to fair trade practices and economic resilience, cementing her legacy as an important figure in US international trade law.



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In 2005, Shara L. Aranoff was sworn into office as the Commissioner of the USITC and is pictured on that day with Senator Max Baucus. She had previously served as Senior International Trade Counsel for the Senator on the US Senate Committee on Finance.



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As USITC Chair in 2010, Shara L. Aranoff and Vice Chairman Daniel R. Pearson listened to testimony by Professor Daniel Chow, from Ohio University, during a hearing regarding complaints against China by US industry groups.



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Throughout Shara L. Aranoff's tenure at the USITC, she played a key role in numerous Section 337, antidumping, countervailing duty, and safeguard investigations.



