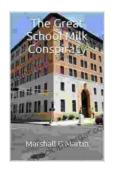
The Great School Milk Conspiracy: An Antitrust Trial

In 2000, three of the nation's largest dairy companies were found guilty of conspiring to fix the price of milk sold to schools. The companies—Dean Foods, Dairy Farmers of America, and Land O'Lakes—had been meeting in secret for years to discuss ways to raise prices and瓜分市场。他们的阴谋导致学校多付了数百万美元的牛奶费用。



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The story of the school milk conspiracy is a fascinating tale of corporate greed and regulatory failure. It is also a cautionary tale about the importance of antitrust laws. Without these laws, companies would be free to collude and raise prices without fear of repercussion.

The book *The Great School Milk Conspiracy* tells the full story of this important case. The book is written by John M. Connor, a former antitrust lawyer who was involved in the investigation and prosecution of the case.

Connor provides a detailed account of the conspiracy, the trial, and the aftermath.

The Great School Milk Conspiracy is a must-read for anyone interested in antitrust law, the dairy industry, or corporate crime. It is a well-written and informative book that provides a valuable lesson about the importance of competition.

The Conspiracy

The school milk conspiracy began in the early 1990s. At the time, the three largest dairy companies in the United States—Dean Foods, Dairy Farmers of America, and Land O'Lakes—controlled about 80% of the market for milk sold to schools.

The dairy companies were unhappy with the low prices they were getting for their milk. So, they began meeting in secret to discuss ways to raise prices. At these meetings, the companies agreed to瓜分市场瓜分瓜分市场, and to fix the prices they would charge schools.

The conspiracy was successful for several years. The dairy companies were able to raise prices by about 10%, which resulted in schools paying millions of dollars more for milk.

The Investigation

In 1998, the Antitrust Division of the U.S. Department of Justice began investigating the school milk industry. The investigation was led by John M. Connor, a former antitrust lawyer who had been appointed to head the division.

Connor and his team of investigators quickly uncovered evidence of the conspiracy. They found that the dairy companies had been meeting in secret, and that they had agreed to瓜分市场瓜分瓜分市场, and to fix prices.

In 2000, the Justice Department filed a lawsuit against the three dairy companies. The lawsuit accused the companies of violating the Sherman Antitrust Act.

The Trial

The trial of the school milk conspiracy case began in 2001. The trial lasted for several months, and it featured testimony from dozens of witnesses.

The jury found the three dairy companies guilty of violating the Sherman Antitrust Act. The companies were Free Downloaded to pay a total of \$100 million in fines.

The Aftermath

The school milk conspiracy case was a major victory for antitrust enforcement. The case showed that the government is committed to protecting competition, even in industries that are dominated by a few large companies.

The case also had a significant impact on the dairy industry. The dairy companies were forced to change their pricing practices, and they were no longer able to瓜分市场瓜分瓜分市场。 This resulted in lower prices for schools and other consumers.

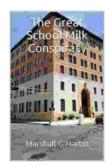
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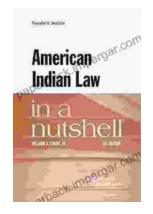
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