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OVERVIEW

Rebecca leverages her experience in all three branches of government to help clients navigate today's regulatory and government enforcement landscape.

Rebecca believes that businesses and individuals are best situated to thrive when the legal “rules of the road” are clear-cut, rational and transparent. Rebecca currently guides clients in a variety of business sectors as they conduct internal investigations, defend government enforcement actions, or engage in complex civil litigation. Clients appreciate Rebecca's passion for providing comprehensive and practical advice, paired with her sensitivity to how government views and enacts laws and regulations.

Before joining Husch Blackwell, Rebecca served as Counsel to the Solicitor at the U.S. Department of Labor, an appointed position in which she gained firsthand insight into agency rulemaking and administrative enforcement. Previously in private practice, Rebecca counseled both domestic and international clients in strengthening and refining their compliance programs and focused her pro bono practice on assisting individuals challenging regulatory schemes. In addition, her DOL experience and her prior internship with the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee sharpened her awareness of the underlying policy priorities often informing government action.

Rebecca also has a breadth of experience on both sides of government inquiries, whether in the private sector by advising clients navigating U.S. Department of Justice investigations, or as a federal executive branch attorney coordinating the agency's response to congressional inquiries. If an investigation proceeds to litigation, Rebecca also relies on this same “dual-hat” experience, including her time as a federal

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Technology

Transportation

Services

False Claims Act

White Collar, Internal

Investigations & Compliance

judicial clerk and in the executive branch, and in private practice drafting a wide range of civil motions and briefs.

Experience

- Counseled U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) agency officials in developing wage and hour regulations, labor-related provisions of the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA), enforcement initiatives and an array of subregulatory guidance.
- Advised DOL in defending against Administrative Procedure Act (APA) lawsuits filed by both the private sector and state attorneys general.
- Managed legal review of DOL responses to congressional oversight inquiries, including through preparing witnesses for U.S. House of Representatives Committee hearings or briefings, responding to congressional document and information requests, and liaising as appropriate with the White House Counsel's Office and other administrative agencies.
- Prepared numerous individuals for U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) interviews in connection with federal grand jury investigations.
- Served on the U.S. legal support team for a compliance monitor in connection with a multinational corporation's deferred prosecution agreement with the DOJ.
- Developed risk assessment tools and compliance programs for U.S.-based international corporations.
- Authored or co-authored strategic federal and state amicus briefs pro bono in support of individual plaintiffs in campaign finance and eminent domain-related cases. In each instance, the individual ultimately prevailed against the respective government actors.

Recognition

- Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch, Criminal Defense: White-Collar, 2024
- Capital Pro Bono Honor Roll, Honors, 2021 and 2022
- James Wilson Fellowship, Class of 2019

Education

- J.D., University of Minnesota Law School
 - *Minnesota Law Review*, Note and Comment Editor
 - *Harvard Journal of Law & Public Policy*, National Symposium Editor
 - Federalist Society, President, Minnesota Law School chapter
- B.S., University of Wisconsin-Madison
 - Piano Performance, English Literature
 - Phi Beta Kappa

Admissions

- Wisconsin
- District of Columbia

Clerkships

- The Hon. Reed O'Connor, U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas

Community Leadership

- Civic Music Association of Milwaukee, Board of Directors
- Federalist Society – Milwaukee Lawyers Chapter, Treasurer



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