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## Vault Ranks Husch Blackwell Sanders on Annual Diversity List

Husch Blackwell Sanders was ranked #20 on Vault's 2009 "Best 20 Law Firms for Diversity." The list is based on inclusion of minorities, women, and gays and lesbians.

According to Vault, "Lawyers and firm management place increasing value on a diverse working environment. That's why Vault has devoted a special section to associates' rankings on diversity issues. Our diversity section includes separate categories for diversity as it relates to minorities, women, and gays and lesbians. To determine our Best 20 Law Firms for Diversity, we used a formula that weighed the three categories evenly for an overall diversity ranking."

Husch Blackwell Sanders is committed to recruiting, developing, retaining, and promoting talented lawyers and staff with diverse backgrounds and experiences. At Husch Blackwell Sanders, diversity encompasses a variety of characteristics, lifestyles, and perspectives. The firm strongly believes that its inclusive environment is essential to both the quality of its client service and the personal satisfaction of its lawyers and staff. The result of its commitment is a team of lawyers and staff who are diverse as individuals but unified by their enthusiasm for serving clients through the practice of law.