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Husch Blackwell Sanders LLP is Official

The merger between Husch & Eppenberger, LLC, and Blackwell Sanders LLP is complete and the firms are now operating as Husch Blackwell Sanders LLP. The partners approved the merger last December; the merger became effective on February 29, 2008.

“Regional, national and global companies have relied on our firm because we offer a breadth of experience and, in certain cases, dominant practices, normally found only in mega-market firms located in New York, Chicago, Atlanta, Houston and San Francisco,” said Joseph P. Conran, co-chairman of the new firm. “Our national-level competitive practices, along with our Midwestern rates, provide compelling value to our clients.”

“Through the merger of our legacy firms, we have grown to more than 630 lawyers. With new Chicago and Denver office openings scheduled in March, we will serve 12 markets stretching from Washington, D.C. to Denver, with international reach through our London office,” said David A. Fenley, co-chairman.

Husch Blackwell Sanders will have anticipated revenues topping \$275 million for 2008. At this size, the new firm will rank among the top 100 firms in the country based on revenue.

Fenley and Conran lead the new firm as co-chairmen. The new firm has a 6-member executive board including the co-chairmen along with Tom Carney, Greg Smith, Bob Tomaso and Maurice Watson.

Husch Blackwell Sanders LLP is a litigation and business services law firm with approximately 630 attorneys. The firm has offices in Kansas City, St. Louis, Springfield and Jefferson City, Missouri; Omaha and Lincoln,

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Nebraska; Chattanooga and Memphis, Tennessee; Peoria and Belleville, Illinois; Overland Park, Kansas; Washington, D.C.; and London, U.K.