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## Husch Blackwell Sanders LLP Earns Top Marks in 2009 Corporate Equality Index

### **Firm Gets 100 in Human Rights Campaign Foundation's Seventh Annual Index**

Husch Blackwell Sanders LLP has earned the top rating of 100 percent in the 2009 Corporate Equality Index (CEI), an annual survey administered by the Human Rights Campaign Foundation. Husch Blackwell Sanders joins the ranks of 259 other major U.S. businesses which get top marks for their treatment of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) employees and consumers. Out of the 259 businesses listed, 63 law firms made the cut; Husch Blackwell Sanders is among the four firms based locally.

The CEI rated 583 businesses in total, evaluating LGBT-related policies and practices including non-discrimination policies, transgender health benefits and domestic partner benefits. Husch Blackwell Sanders' efforts in ensuring LGBT equality in each of the survey's main criterion earned it the prestigious 100 percent ranking.

For more information on the 2009 Corporate Equality Index, or to download a free copy of the report, visit [www.hrc.org/cei](http://www.hrc.org/cei).