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KC Business: Kansas City Law Firms Well-Positioned for Growth Despite Shaky Economic Times

Husch Blackwell's Wade Kerrigan was quoted in a September *KC Business* article "Laying Down the Law," (pg. 28-29) discussing the areas of legal practice that have weathered the recession better than others. With large healthcare, bioscience and technology companies setting up shop in Kansas City, there has been a growing need for local intellectual property attorneys. "I'd say despite the economic downturn in the last few years, our practice has stayed busy," said Kerrigan, a Partner in the Intellectual Property group. With the growth in technology and life sciences advancements in Kansas City, there has been a concurrent growth in the need to secure those companies' future assets. "[Technical entrepreneurs] don't have brick and mortar assets," he said. "They have a great idea."