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Husch Blackwell Achieves Record Rankings in 2025 Edition of *Chambers USA*

Chambers USA recognized 124 Husch Blackwell attorneys in the 2025 guide released today, an increase of 37 ranked attorneys from 2024. In addition, 42 lawyers, who did not appear in the 2024 edition of *Chambers USA*, earned rankings.

Chambers also ranked Husch Blackwell in 47 departments—a year-over-year increase of eight departments—spanning 22 of the firm’s practice areas with the firm’s Banking & Finance, Consumer Financial Services, and Psychedelics & Emerging Therapies practices earning national rankings for the first time.

The firm is recognized in:

Nationwide

*Banking & Finance

Cannabis Law

*Financial Services Regulation: Consumer Finance (Compliance)

Government Contracts: Highly Regarded

Healthcare: Highly Regarded

Higher Education

Insurance: Dispute Resolution: Insurer

International Trade: Export Controls & Economic Sanctions: Highly Regarded

Product Liability: Toxic Torts

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Projects: Renewables & Alternative Energy

*Psychedelics Law

Colorado

Banking & Finance

Labor & Employment

Real Estate

Massachusetts

Healthcare

Missouri

Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation

Healthcare

Insurance

Insurance: Transactional & Regulatory

Intellectual Property

Litigation: White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations

*Tax

Missouri: Kansas City & Surrounds

Corporate/M&A

Labor & Employment

Litigation: General Commercial

Missouri: St. Louis & Surrounds

Corporate/M&A

Environment

Labor & Employment

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Litigation: General Commercial

Real Estate

Nebraska

Corporate/Commercial

*Litigation: General Commercial

Tennessee

Real Estate

Texas

Banking & Finance

Energy: State Regulatory & Litigation (Electricity)

Healthcare

Insurance

Real Estate: Zoning/Land Use

Texas: Austin & Surrounds

Litigation: General Commercial

Wisconsin

Banking & Finance

*Construction

Corporate/M&A

*Healthcare

*Insurance

Labor & Employment

Litigation: General Commercial

Real Estate

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Individual attorneys recognized by Chambers are:

Banking & Finance

Steve Agee (Colorado) – Band 2

Lute Barber (Texas) – Up and Coming

Daniel Bray (Colorado) – Band 2

*Steven Camp (Texas) – Band 5

Reuben Rosof (Texas) – Band 5

Lynda Templen (Wisconsin) – Band 3

Nathan Volz (Wisconsin) – Band 3

Bankruptcy/Restructuring

*Michael Brandess (Illinois) – Band 5

*Buffy Klein (Texas) – Band 5

Cannabis Law: Western United States

Hilary Bricken (Nationwide) – Band 1

Marshall Custer (Nationwide) – Band 2

Steve Levine (Nationwide) – Band 1

Construction

*Joshua Levy (Wisconsin) – Band 1

*Eric Meier (Wisconsin) – Band 2

*Kenneth Slavens (Missouri) – Band 1

Corporate/Commercial

David Gardels (Nebraska) – Band 1

Victoria Sitz (Nebraska) – Band 1

Corporate/M&A

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*Ashley Edwards (Missouri: St. Louis & Surrounds) – Band 3

*Christopher Hamlin (Missouri: St. Louis & Surrounds) – Band 3

Phil Koutnik (Wisconsin) – Band 2

*John Moore (Missouri: Kansas City & Surrounds) – Band 3

Kirstin Salzman (Missouri: Kansas City & Surrounds) – Band 2

Matthew Schneider (Missouri: St. Louis & Surrounds) – Band 2

Edward Wilson (Missouri: Kansas City & Surrounds) – Band 2

E-Discovery & Information Governance

Tessa Jacob (Nationwide) – Band 3

Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation

David Eckhardt (Wisconsin) – Band 2

*Molly Hobbs (Colorado) – Band 2

Craig Kovarik (Missouri) – Band 1

Mark Welker (Missouri) – Band 1

Energy & Natural Resources

*Megan Caldwell (Colorado) – Band 2

Energy: Electricity (Regulatory & Litigation)

Linda Walsh (Nationwide) – Band 4

Energy: State Regulatory & Litigation (Electricity)

Carrie Collier-Brown (Texas) – Band 3

Chris Reeder (Texas) – Band 3

*Alaina Zermeno (Texas) – Up and Coming

Environment

Christopher Erker (Missouri: St. Louis & Surrounds) – Band 1

*Jerry Ronecker (Missouri: St. Louis & Surrounds) – Band 3

Financial Services Regulation: Consumer Finance (Compliance)

Marci Kowski (Nationwide) – Band 3

*Susan Seaman (Nationwide) – Up and Coming

Financial Services Regulation: Consumer Finance (Enforcement & Investigations)

John Redding (Nationwide) – Band 1

Government Contracts

Hal Perloff (Nationwide) – Band 5

Brian Waagner (Nationwide) – Band 4

Healthcare

*Andrew Brenton (Wisconsin) – Up and Coming

Diane Carter (Texas) – Band 2

Curt Chase (Missouri) – Band 1

*Ellee Cochran (Texas) – Band 5

Michael Crowe (Texas) – Band 4

Joseph Geraci (Texas) – Band 1

Sarah Hellmann (Missouri) – Band 2

David Hilgers (Texas) – Senior Statespeople

*Alison Hollender (Texas) – Band 5

Lorinda Holloway (Texas) – Band 5

Hal Katz (Texas) – Band 1

*Bryan Nowicki (Wisconsin) – Band 1

*Meg Pekarske (Wisconsin) – Band 1

*Sean Ryan (Massachusetts) – Band 4

*Thomas Shorter (Wisconsin) – Band 1

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Christopher Smith (Missouri) – Band 2

Harvey Tettlebaum (Missouri) – Band 2

Cori Turner (Missouri) – Band 2

Higher Education

Hayley Hanson (Nationwide) – Band 1

*Julie Miceli (Nationwide) – Band 2

Sean Tassi (Nationwide) – Band 2

Insurance

Ashley DeVerna (Colorado) – Up and Coming

*Jason Fathallah (Wisconsin) – Band 1

*Amy Smith (Wisconsin) – Associates to watch

Insurance: Regulatory

Lauren Ybarra (Texas) – Band 2

Intellectual Property

*Jeffer Ali (Minnesota) – Band 4

Michael Annis (Missouri) – Band 3

Timothy Capria (Tennessee) – Band 2

*Daniel Cohn (Missouri) – Band 3

Jennifer Hoekel (Missouri) – Band 2

Beau Jackson (Missouri) – Band 3

Rudolph Telscher (Missouri) – Band 1

International Trade: Export Controls & Economic Sanctions

*Grant Leach (Nationwide) – Band 5

Cortney Morgan (Nationwide) – Band 4

International Trade: Intellectual Property (Section 337)

Beau Jackson (Nationwide) – Band 5

International Trade: Trade Remedies & Trade Policy

*Nithya Nagarajan (Nationwide) – Band 5

Labor & Employment

Barbara Grandjean (Colorado) – Band 2

Joe Glynias (Missouri: St. Louis & Surrounds) – Band 2

Ashley Jordaan (Colorado) – Band 3

*Kevin Koronka (Texas) – Band 5

*Trecia Moore (Missouri: Kansas City & Surrounds) – Band 4

*Sonni Nolan (Missouri: St. Louis & Surrounds) – Band 3

Paul Pautler (Missouri: Kansas City & Surrounds) – Band 3

Kyle Russell (Missouri: Kansas City & Surrounds) – Band 3

Julianne Story (Missouri: Kansas City & Surrounds) – Band 2

Robert Tomaso (Missouri: St. Louis & Surrounds) – Eminent Practitioners

Litigation: General Commercial

*Taylor Concannon Hausmann (Missouri: Kansas City & Surrounds) – Up and Coming

Ryan DiClemente (New Jersey) – Band 4

*Joseph Diedrich (Wisconsin) – Up and Coming

Marnie Jensen (Nebraska) – Band 2

Ann Maher (Wisconsin) – Band 3

James Monafo (Missouri: St. Louis & Surrounds) – Band 3

Jeffrey Simon (Missouri: Kansas City & Surrounds) – Band 4

Litigation: White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations

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*Cormac Connor (District of Columbia) – Band 6

Catherine Hanaway (Missouri) – Band 2

*Jonathan Porter (Georgia) – Band 3

*Kip Randall (Missouri) – Up and Coming

Jody Rudman (Texas) – Band 3

Natural Resources & Environment

Brian Potts (Wisconsin) – Band 2

David Zoppo (Wisconsin) – Band 3

Political Law

Kyle Gilster (Nationwide) – Band 4

Privacy & Data Security: Privacy

David Stauss (Nationwide) – Band 4

Product Liability: Toxic Torts

Jennifer Dlugosz (Nationwide) – Band 1

Jennifer Lee (Nationwide) – Band 1

J.Y. Miller (Nationwide) – Band 1

Psychedelics Law

*Kimberly Chew (Nationwide) – Band 1

*Karen Luong (Nationwide) – Band 1

Public Finance

*Ericka Curls-Bartling (California) – Band 2

*Lynda Templen (Wisconsin) – Band 1

Real Estate

*Rodney Carter (Wisconsin) – Band 4

*Andrew Crossett (Missouri: St. Louis & Surrounds) – Band 3

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Bradley Dallet (Wisconsin) – Band 4

Ron Feldman (Tennessee) – Band 3

Courtney Hill (Missouri: St. Louis & Surrounds) – Band 3

Andrew Hodgson (Tennessee) – Band 4

William Hof (Missouri: St. Louis & Surrounds) – Band 3

David Linenbroker (Missouri: St. Louis & Surrounds) – Band 1

Rebecca Mitich (Wisconsin) – Band 2

Charles Renner (Missouri: Kansas City & Surrounds) – Band 2

David Richardson (Missouri: St. Louis & Surrounds) – Band 1

Gregory Smith (Missouri: St. Louis & Surrounds) – Senior Statespeople

Melissa Smith-Groff (Missouri: St. Louis & Surrounds) – Band 3

Real Estate: Zoning/Land Use

Nikelle Susanne Meade (Texas) – Band 2

Tax

Jason Reschly (Missouri) – Band 1

Transportation: Road (Carriage/Logistics)

*Julie Maurer (Nationwide) – Band 2

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