#### **HUSCH BLACKWELL**



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#### **OVERVIEW**

Understanding that healthcare runs on immediate patient response, Spencer is prepared and available with client strategies and solutions.

Healthcare clients of all sizes and phases, from individual practitioners to national healthcare systems and state healthcare departments, trust Spencer for guidance and counsel. With the end goal of making sure everyone works together to deliver optimal care to patients, Spencer helps clients with a wide range of state and federal compliance matters, regulatory counseling, and administrative guidance. Spencer works frequently with, among other healthcare related tasks:

- Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement procedures
- Stark Law
- Anti-Kickback Statute
- False Claims Act
- Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)
- State Administrative Agencies and Licensing Department

Spencer knows that the healthcare industry is faced with providing fast response times to both patients and ever-changing regulations. Clients value his availability and quick turnaround times needed in this business sector. He conducts regular analyses of healthcare regulatory trends so he is at the ready with customized options for healthcare clients.

#### **Industries**

Education Healthcare Life Sciences

### **Services**

Healthcare Regulatory & Compliance Counseling Psychedelics & Emerging Therapies

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## Experience

- Guided numerous healthcare professionals such as physicians and physician assistants –
  through administrative proceeding before licensing boards and agencies, including the Texas
  Medical Board, appealing prescribing and billing allegations linked to licensure issues,
  obtaining successful outcomes for clients.
- Successfully represented healthcare client in employment contract dispute regarding noncompete agreement and job migration to neighboring hospital.
- Successfully resolved numerous physician—insurance provider disputes regarding restriction of coverage and employment contracts, with good outcome for our client.
- Guided direct primary care startup through all aspects of multi-state formation and structure across Iowa, New Jersey, Oregon, Nevada and Rhode Island, drafting and reviewing all necessary transactional documentation.

### Education

- J.D., Texas Tech University School of Law
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  - summa cum laude
  - o Estate Planning & Community Property Law Journal, Executive Business Manager
  - o Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society
  - o Phi Delta Phi International Legal Honor Society
  - Phi Alpha Delta
- B.S., Rhodes College
  - Political Science
  - o Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Recruitment Chairman

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# Admissions

• Texas

# **Community Leadership**

- Relay For Life
- Special Olympics
- St. Vincent de Paul Food Mission
- Medical mission trip, Honduras