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FIVE STAR Wealth Manager Joins Husch Blackwell's Trusts & Estates Team

Patrick T. Conner Starts in Firm's St. Louis Office

Husch Blackwell is pleased to announce that Patrick T. Conner joined the firm's St. Louis office as an Associate focusing his practice in Trusts & Estates. He brings more than eight years of estate planning experience and has an advanced degree in Taxation from Washington University in School of Law in St. Louis. In addition, the March 2011 issue of *St. Louis Magazine* named Conner a FIVE STAR Wealth Manager, ranking him in the top 7 percent of wealth managers in St. Louis who score highest in overall client satisfaction.

Prior to joining the firm, Conner practiced at several different full-service law firms in the St. Louis area where he worked in the areas of advance estate and tax planning, wealth preservation, corporate law, real estate law, asset protection planning, charitable planning and aviation law.

Upon graduating from law school, Conner spent one year at a St. Louis-based firm that focused on corporate law, estate planning, intellectual property, wealth preservation and real estate law (2003-2004). As a first-year associate, he worked extensively with the implementation and taxation of limited liability companies and drafted and implemented numerous estate plans.

Conner received his LL.M. in Taxation from Washington University School of Law (2004), his J.D. from Saint Louis University School of Law (2003) and his B.S.B.A., *cum laude*, from Saint Louis University (2000).

Husch Blackwell's Trusts & Estates group accomplishes clients' estate planning and business succession planning goals using the most effective and tax-advantaged planning methods. The firm's Trusts & Estates attorneys assist clients nationwide, with accounts ranging from moderate sized estates to high

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net worth families, as well as Fortune 500 companies, entertainers and sports figures. Husch Blackwell's team provides vital and effective estate planning, business planning, tax advice, trust and estate administration and charitable planning.