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Husch Blackwell Adds Six Litigators to Phoenix Office

Husch Blackwell is pleased to announce that six litigators have joined the firm's Phoenix office and its Financial Services & Capital Markets group. Dan Goldfine, Josh Grabel, Jamie Halavais and Ian Fischer each entered the firm in August as partners. Brian Hembd and Elizabeth Garcia joined the firm in September as associates.

The addition of these six attorneys marks a major expansion of the firm's presence in Phoenix and adds significant commercial litigation capabilities.

Dan Goldfine focuses on class actions and complex commercial litigation, including antitrust, RICO, healthcare, government and consumer fraud, and business disputes. He regularly handles class action litigation with multi-billion-dollar exposures. In addition, Goldfine has developed a significant practice representing businesses and individuals in grand jury proceedings, government investigations, and internal investigations.

Josh Grabel is a highly regarded litigator focusing on class action defense work, particularly matters involving antitrust, RICO, and insurance defense. He also maintains established practices in complex commercial litigation, government contracts, and construction litigation, where he represents owners, developers, general contractors, subcontractors, suppliers, design professionals, insurance companies, and lenders in litigation, negotiations, arbitration, and mediation matters involving public and private projects.

Jamie Halavais practices in the areas of complex commercial litigation, financial services litigation, and class action defense, including matters involving antitrust, RICO, insurance defense, and securities law. She has represented clients in state and federal courts across the country, including proceedings before the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, the

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Department of Justice and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA).

Ian Fischer focuses on complex litigation, including class actions and matters involving antitrust and business disputes, insurance coverage and bad faith claims. Ian also maintains a white-collar criminal defense practice, advising individuals, businesses and executives against criminal allegations before they have been charged through trial.

Hembd represents individuals and businesses across the nation in industries that include insurance, finance, healthcare and real estate. He earned his J.D. from the University of Chicago Law School and his B.S. *summa cum laude* from Arizona State University.

Garcia served as judicial law clerk in the Arizona Court of Appeals, Division One, and as an assistant Attorney General for the State of Arizona. She earned her J.D. from the Arizona State University Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law and her B.A. from Stanford University.

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