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# Jody Rudman Joins Husch Blackwell's Austin Office

Husch Blackwell is pleased to announce that noted litigator Jody Rudman has joined the firm as a partner in its Austin office. Rudman will practice as part of the firm's Healthcare, Life Sciences & Education industry group and the Government Compliance, Investigations & Litigation team.

A former federal prosecutor for the Northern District of Texas, Rudman represents clients—primarily in the healthcare industry—in investigations, civil lawsuits and criminal indictments, trials, sentencing and appeals. She has also worked in benefits disputes, insurance disputes, telemedicine, opioids, billing and Medicare fraud.

Over nearly two decades of practice, Rudman has appeared and argued before numerous state and federal courts—including the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit and U.S. Supreme Court.

Rudman has long been considered a leading lawyer in the areas of healthcare law and white collar defense. During her career, she was chosen by the attorney general of the State of Texas to lead Texas' charitable trust and healthcare litigation matters, including a landmark merger of two large health insurance companies and a landmark charitable trust case. She has authored and spoken on topics ranging from ERISA litigation, to the Fifth Amendment in civil cases, to HIPAA, to the hottest topics in federal prosecution of entrepreneurial healthcare arrangements.

Rudman is a 1993 graduate of the University of Chicago Law School and holds a B.S. from Northwestern University. She serves as the secretary of the Dallas Bar Association's Health Law Section and is active in the Austin Healthcare Council, the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers and the Women's White Collar Defense Association.

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"Jody is highly regarded as both a strategist and a tactician and has a long track record of getting terrific results for her clients," said Curt Chase, the head of Husch Blackwell's Healthcare, Life Sciences & Education industry group. "Her arrival bolsters our Texas healthcare practice, which is already considered one of the best in the state."

"Husch Blackwell has an excellent brand in Texas, in Austin, and nationally within the healthcare space," said Rudman. "When I factored in the strong cultural compatibility I had with the firm, as well as the firm's excellent government investigations and litigation practice, joining Husch Blackwell was both an easy and exciting choice."