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Savvy Litigation Partner Joins Spencer Fane in Salt Lake City

Spencer Fane LLP is pleased to welcome [Brent R. Baker](#) to the firm's Salt Lake City office as a partner in the Litigation and Dispute Resolution practice group.

As former senior special counsel to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, Brent brings a unique vantage point to his work in SEC enforcement and regulatory defense, complex private securities litigation, and government and independent investigations. He represents a long and diverse list of clients, including global companies, board committees, executives, and registered entities before the SEC, U.S. Department of Justice, the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, and other federal and state securities and commerce agencies.

Additionally, the firm welcomes [Alex Baker](#), an associate in the Litigation and Dispute Resolution practice group. Alex continues to carve out a strong reputation for managing SEC investigations and securities-related litigation. He concentrates his practice on complex commercial litigation and white-collar criminal and regulatory matters, also boasting a growing pool of experience representing clients in the digital asset space, including cryptocurrency, as well as litigating disputes on behalf of social media influencers and other online personalities.

"Brent and Alex bring highly valuable and targeted knowledge in multiple public and private legal sectors," said [Jason Hawkins](#), Office Managing Partner for Spencer Fane in Salt Lake City. "While both focus on complex securities litigation, Brent joins us with decades of established, hands-on industry knowledge and Alex maintains agile footing in new-age markets experiencing rapid growth and the corresponding need for innovative legal services. Both will be strong complements to our robust litigation

team, from the practice's core focus areas to forward-looking client opportunities."

Brent recently served as chair and commissioner of the Utah State Securities Commission, among other notable community and industry involvements. Over the past two decades, he has been distinguished by several organizations and outlets, including within the 2024 class of "Enforcement Elite" by *Securities Docket*.

Brent and Alex obtained their Juris Doctors from the University of Oregon School of Law. While in law school, Alex served as executive editor of the *Oregon Review of International Law*.