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Spencer Fane Hosts 2023 Pride Celebration

Spencer Fane was pleased to welcome special guest Brad Pritchett, Field Director of Equality Texas, to speak at the firm's second annual Pride celebration on June 28.

Austin Office Managing Partner and DEI Committee member Bill Hopkins led a discussion with Brad as he shared insights gained from his advocacy efforts and driving cultural change in Texas. Topics included the reclamation of the word "queer" to "disempower bigotry," the importance of intersectionality, and how each generation of activists can get involved and stay motivated.

"We know that progress is possible," Brad said with regard to pushing forward despite setbacks. "If we're not fighting the fight, who is?"

Equality Texas is a statewide political advocacy organization that fights for LGBTQ+ rights on both the local and state level. Through education, community organizing, and collaboration, they seek to secure full equality for historically marginalized communities.

Learn more about Equality Texas <u>here</u> and the firm's diversity, equity, and inclusion efforts here.