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Spencer Fane to Combine with Golenbock Eiseman, Elite New York City Firm

Spencer Fane is pleased to announce that New York City-based <u>Golenbock Eiseman Assor Bell & Peskoe</u>, a recognized full-service 50-attorney law firm, will combine with the firm effective February 2, 2026.

The combination simultaneously provides Spencer Fane entry into the largest legal market in the world while also giving Golenbock professionals access to a combined firm of 700 attorneys and 31 offices across the nation.

Expanded geography and practice depth are just two of the many ways that the combination adds value to each firm and its clients.

"This combination is about more than expanding our reach – it's about joining with a firm that shares our philosophy of putting clients first and fostering a collaborative, values-driven culture," Golenbock Managing Partner <u>Jeffrey S. Berger</u> said. "Spencer Fane demonstrates a commitment to excellence and a reputation for innovation that align perfectly with our own. Together, we are determined to provide even greater support and enhanced capabilities to clients at both our firms."

Founded in 1982, Golenbock has built a reputation for excellence across a broad range of practice areas with deep experience and a "strong track record" in corporate, M&A, and capital financing work, according to *Chambers USA*.

Golenbock's litigation department has also been recognized by *Chambers Spotlight New York Guide 2026* for excellence in commercial litigation. The firm's attorneys are known for delivering creative, practical solutions for private equity and venture funds, mid-market businesses, multinational enterprises and high net-worth individuals.

"We have long recognized the opportunity to serve clients in the New York market, but we have also been determined to find a group that meets two more important criteria for our firm – aligning with our firm culturally while also adding distinctive value to our clients," Spencer Fane Chair Patrick J. Whalen said. "We've been delighted to find Golenbock professionals to be an exceptional fit when it comes to those key characteristics that mean the most to our firm and clients."

As the fastest-growing law firm in the nation, according to *The American Lawyer*, Spencer Fane has been singled out as "a case study on how a law firm can add market share, climb the rankings, and grow profits, all at the same time." The firm's growth has been driven by its commitment to culture and core values that include humility, collaboration, inclusivity, and a fierce resolve to win on behalf of clients. The firm's decision to make culture its strategy is also reflected in its standing as the only law firm in the nation to receive a perfect rating by *U.S. News & World Report* in its Best Companies to Work For: Law Firms listing. More recently, the firm has also caught the attention of *Bloomberg* and *Financial Times*, which each recognized Spencer Fane as an inaugural Leading Law Firm honoree and shortlisted the firm for the Innovative Lawyers Awards North America 2025, respectively.

"Our combination represents an exciting step forward for both firms as we remain committed to delivering exceptional service to our clients," said Golenbock Chair Andrew C. Peskoe. "The Spencer Fane platform, collaborative culture, and bold approach to redefining the traditional law firm model could not be better complements to our client-first philosophy. The firm also has tremendous breadth in its service offerings which will lead to even greater value and innovative solutions as we meet the evolving needs of clients."

Learn more about Golenbock Eiseman Assor Bell & Peskoe.