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Spencer Fane to Combine with Utah-Based Firm Snow Christensen & Martineau

Spencer Fane is pleased to announce Snow Christensen & Martineau, a full-service practice with nearly 50 attorneys and a 135-year history that predates Utah becoming a state, will combine with the firm effective March 1, 2024.

Consistent with the Spencer Fane approach to expanding its platform to align with the growing needs of clients, the combination broadens each firm's geographic footprint while deepening its bench of existing talent and experience in the areas of litigation, business transactions, financial services, intellectual property, insurance, health care, white-collar criminal defense, and labor and employment.

Founded in 1886, Snow Christensen has served many of Utah's most prominent businesses, public entities, and individuals. The firm has established a respected reputation for serving clients in a number of industries that align with the firm's strengths, including the banking, real estate, health care, government and insurance sectors, among others. These parallels in practice, as well as in shared commitment to culture, are what drew the two firms together.

"As we thoughtfully explored this combination, we found ourselves repeatedly returning to the conclusion that our two firms are a match on the measures that matter most, ranging from our approach to serving clients to our shared interest in talent development," D. Jason Hawkins, President of Snow Christensen said. "As an example, Snow Christensen has long recognized the 'importance of our work while striving to not allow ourselves to fall into a trap of being self-important,' and we've been pleasantly surprised to find a national firm in Spencer Fane that strives to adhere to the same values."

"Our teams have come to know each other not only professionally but also personally, which has allowed us to develop a comfort in knowing we are aligned in a number of areas that are central to the identity of our firms, whether in regard to our embrace of humility as a core value, our fierce resolve to win, or our commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion," Spencer Fane Chair [Patrick J. Whalen](#) said. "Our firms recognize these values drive value to our clients, and we are excited to work together to build upon the ways we can be of service to them in new ways as one firm."

This is the second combination Spencer Fane has announced in 2023. On October 1, Spencer Fane officially combined with [Pahl & McCay](#), a full-service corporate law firm with roots in the real estate and financial services sectors of both Northern and Southern California.