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OVERVIEW

With an on-campus background, Noel represents education clients in litigation and regulatory compliance matters.

Noel represents the firm's education clients in litigation and regularly provides counsel on the varied compliance challenges they face daily. His practice includes helping colleges, universities, and K-12 schools solve problems relating to labor and employment, civil rights, Title IX, regulatory compliance, faculty appointments and grievance processes, and student disputes. Noel finds it immensely satisfying to have complex problems land on his desk and offer creative solutions.

When Noel first joined the firm in 2022, he served as a Higher Education Law Fellow, a collaborative position between Husch Blackwell and the University of Kansas wherein an early career attorney is seconded to the KU Office of General Counsel for a period of two years. Noel worked on legal matters across the KU Lawrence Campus, from athletics to academics to student affairs to faculty relations, advising on federal compliance requirements and assisting with various litigation. He interacted with leaders across the university on a daily basis, drafted motions and appellate briefs, and argued a case before the Kansas Court of Appeals. The experience gave him a unique perspective on campus life and a firsthand understanding of the day-to-day non-legal issues that impact university decision making.

With a passion for the work of schools and universities, Noel has long hoped to build a career in the higher education world. He's excited by the positive impact schools have on both their students

Industries

Education
Healthcare
Life Sciences

Services

Higher Education
K-12 Education

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and their communities, and he loves providing the legal support these institutions need so that they can focus on education.

Education

- J.D., University of Missouri School of Law
  - Order of Barristers
  - *Journal of Dispute Resolution*, Note & Comment Editor
- B.A., Ohio State University

Admissions

- Missouri
- Kansas
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Missouri
- U.S. District Court, District of Kansas

Clerkships

- Missouri Court of Appeals, Eastern District

Community Leadership

Noel has previously volunteered as a CASA (court-appointed special advocate), working with kids and families going through the court system.

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