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OVERVIEW

Surya has tried over a dozen cases before federal and state juries, argued numerous times before the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals, and represented clients at multiple arbitration hearings.

Surya relies on his blend of in-house and prosecutorial experience to anticipate clients' goals and distill the complexity of litigation and investigations into clear recommendations and strategies. He leads litigation and investigations teams in a wide variety of civil, criminal, and regulatory matters, including False Claims Act investigations and litigation, healthcare fraud matters, FCPA and anticorruption investigations, regulatory compliance investigations, and complex commercial litigation.

Surya is currently ranked in *Chambers USA* in the White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations practice area for Minnesota. He has previously been recognized for his trial advocacy by *Minnesota Lawyer*, which named Surya and his former colleagues 2018 "Attorneys of the Year." He was also recognized by *Minnesota Lawyer* as a Diversity and Inclusion Honoree in 2019. In 2023, he was appointed by Governor Tim Walz to serve as a member of Minnesota's Sentencing Guidelines Commission.

EDUCATION

- J.D., Georgetown University Law Center, *cum laude*
- B.A., University of Minnesota – Twin Cities, Political Science, *with distinction*

EXPERIENCE

- UnitedHealthcare, Senior Associate General Counsel, affirmative litigation and investigations
- United States Attorney's Office – District of Minnesota, Assistant United States Attorney
- Dorsey & Whitney, Associate

ADMISSIONS

- U.S. District Court for the District of Minnesota
- State Bar of Minnesota

AFFILIATIONS

- Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers

- Federal Bar Association, Minnesota Chapter, Board of Directors (2019-present)

RECOGNITION

- Ranked in *Chambers USA, America's Leading Lawyers for Business-The Client's Guide* (2024-2025)
- Selected to Super Lawyers list, *Minnesota Super Lawyers* (2025)
- 2019 Diversity & Inclusion Honoree, *Minnesota Lawyer*
- Named a 2018 "Attorney of the Year," *Minnesota Lawyer*

COMMUNITY

- Appointed to the Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission (2023)
- Minnesota Urban Debate League, Board of Advisors

NEWS & UPDATES

- **July 15, 2025** Greene Espel Attorneys Recognized on the 2025 Minnesota Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Lists
- **June 6, 2025** Chambers USA Recognizes Greene Espel for Litigation and Labor & Employment in Minnesota; Jeanette Bazis, Sybil Dunlop, Jenny Gassman-Pines, Surya Saxena, Kate Swenson, and X. Kevin Zhao Ranked Lawyers
- **September 30, 2024** Surya Saxena Admitted to American College of Trial Lawyers
- **June 6, 2024** *Chambers USA* Recognizes Greene Espel for Litigation in Minnesota; Jeanette Bazis, Sybil Dunlop, Surya Saxena, Kate Swenson, and X. Kevin Zhao Named Notable Practitioners
- **September 11, 2023** Surya Saxena Appointed to the Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission
- **December 6, 2022** City of Golden Valley Releases Findings of Greene Espel's Police Misconduct Investigation
- **October 27, 2021** Greene Espel Welcomes Attorneys Erin Emory, Surya Saxena, and Nicholas Scheiner

EVENTS & PRESENTATIONS

- **May 17, 2024** "Best Practices for Responding to Government Requests for Information," Society of Corporate Compliance and Ethics
- **June 16, 2022** Surya Saxena to Present at Minnesota CLE's 2022 Health Law Institute
- **February 16, 2022** *3 Strategies for Effectively Examining Witnesses*, Co-Presenter, Minnesota CLE
- **May 1, 2019** *Mitigating Bias in Federal Courts*, Federal Bar Association, Minnesota Chapter (Presenter)
- **June 1, 2018** *The Attorney-Client Privilege in Federal Criminal Proceedings*, Federal Bar Association, Minnesota Chapter (Presenter)
- **October 1, 2017** *Mitigating Bias in the Federal Criminal Justice System*, U.S. District Court, District of Minnesota (Coordinator)
- **July 1, 2015** *The Science of Implicit Bias and What It Means for the Criminal Justice System*, U.S. District Court, District of Minnesota (Coordinator)

ARTICLES & PUBLICATIONS

- **June 11, 2025** FCPA Enforcement Is Still Alive