GREENE ESPEL PLLP

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I help clients find the facts that matter most and develop solutions that support their larger goals.

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OVERVIEW

Nick has developed a diverse litigation practice, representing clients in an array of industries, including health care, consumer technology, education, mobile software, and manufacturing. Whether in high-stakes multidistrict litigations or smaller scale private business disputes, clients appreciate Nick's practical, levelheaded approach to all aspects of litigation. Nick understands that being an effective litigator is not about having the loudest voice, but the most credible.

Formerly a Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Manhattan, Nick also has extensive experience conducting investigations and communicating with government agencies. Nick has applied that experience in client-initiated internal investigations, civil enforcement actions by federal and state agencies, and criminal investigations for clients in a host of industries, including health care, telecommunications, consumer technology, and renewable energy. Nick's breadth of experience allows him to work closely with clients to understand their businesses and to develop strategies for conducting investigations and engaging with government agencies that take into account their unique business risks and sensitivities.

Nick has also maintained an active pro bono practice, representing, among other clients, a journalist injured by a police projectile when reporting on the protests following George Floyd's murder, indigent tenants in disputes with abusive landlords and property managers, a prisoner alleging violations of his First Amendment rights by corrections officers, and a prisoner convicted by a non-unanimous Louisiana jury, in partnership with the Promise of Justice Initiative.

EDUCATION

- J.D., Stanford Law School; Editor-in-Chief, *Stanford Journal of Criminal Law and Policy*
- M.A., University of California, Los Angeles, East Asian Studies
- B.A., University of Florida, Mathematics and East Asian Languages and Literatures

EXPERIENCE

- Gibson Dunn & Crutcher, LLP, Associate
- U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of California, Law Clerk
- Federal Bureau of Investigation, Special Agent

ADMISSIONS

- State Bar of Minnesota

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

AFFILIATIONS

- American Bar Association
- Federal Bar Association, Minnesota Chapter
    - Secretary (2026-present)
    - White Collar Crime Committee Co-Chair (2022-2025)

RECOGNITION

- 2021 Attorney of the Year, *Minnesota Lawyer*
- 2022 "Up & Coming Attorney," *Minnesota Lawyer*
- Selected to Minnesota Rising Stars list, Minnesota Super Lawyers (2022-2025)
- Listed in Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch (2023-2026)

COMMUNITY

Nick maintains an active pro bono practice, with the below representative successes:

- Together with co-counsel obtained six-figure settlement from the City of Minneapolis for independent journalist Linda Tirado, who was blinded in one eye by a police projectile during protests after George Floyd's murder.
- Obtained favorable settlement in 42 U.S.C. § 1983 action on behalf of prisoner alleging violation of First Amendment rights by correctional officers.
- Brought quiet title action on behalf of elderly client, resulting in rescission of fraudulently obtained grant deed from title to family home.
- Represented Afghan individual who assisted U.S. military as contractor in connection with application for Special Immigrant Visa.

NEWS & UPDATES

- **August 20, 2026** Greene Espel Attorneys Recognized on the 2027 Best Lawyers and Ones to Watch Lists
- **August 21, 2025** Greene Espel Attorneys Recognized on the 2026 Best Lawyers and Ones to Watch Lists
- **July 15, 2025** Greene Espel Attorneys Recognized on the 2025 Minnesota Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Lists
- **August 16, 2024** Greene Espel Attorneys Recognized on the 2025 Best Lawyers and Ones to Watch Lists
- **July 15, 2024** Greene Espel Attorneys Recognized on the 2024 Minnesota Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Lists
- **August 17, 2023** *Best Lawyers Recognizes 16 Greene Espel Attorneys on the 2024 Best Lawyers and Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch Lists*
- **July 18, 2023** *16 Greene Espel Attorneys Recognized on the Minnesota Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Lists*
- **January 17, 2023** Greene Espel Congratulates Nicholas Scheiner on His Elevation to Our Partnership
- **August 18, 2022** Best Lawyers Recognizes 14 Greene Espel Attorneys on the 2023 Best Lawyers and Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch Lists
- **July 26, 2022** Award: *Minnesota Lawyer* Names Attorney Nicholas Scheiner as 2022 Up & Coming Attorney and Litigation Support Manager Brigid Volk as a 2022 Unsung Legal Hero
- **July 18, 2022** 16 Greene Espel Attorneys Recognized on the Minnesota Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Lists
- **December 21, 2021** 3M and Greene Espel Attorneys Recognized by *Minnesota Lawyer* as 2021 Attorney of the Year Honorees
- **October 27, 2021** Greene Espel Welcomes Attorneys Erin Emory, Surya Saxena, and Nicholas Scheiner

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EVENTS & PRESENTATIONS

- **September 29, 2026** CLE OPPORTUNITY: "Attorney Client Privilege for In-House Attorneys in an AI Age"
- **April 1, 2026** "False Claims Act," The Complete Health Care Lawyer, Minnesota CLE

ARTICLES & PUBLICATIONS

- **March 4, 2025** False Claims Corner: Alternative Path to Liability in FCA Kickback Cases
- **February 20, 2025** False Claims Corner: Contours of But-For Causation Standard Take Shape
- **August 15, 2022** "Eighth Circuit Splits With Third, Requiring Proof of But-For Causation To Establish Violation of False Claims Act Through Anti-Kickback Statute," Law.com
- **July 14, 2021** "Divided Eighth Circuit Panel Upholds Preliminary Injunction Barring Implementation of Missouri's Gestational Age and Down Syndrome Abortion Bans," Law.com

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