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Practice Focus

- Business
- Trusts and Estates/Estate Planning

Education

- Louisiana State University Law Center, J.D., 1975
- Tulane University, B.A., 1972

Admissions

- Louisiana

Practice

Charles Spencer practices in the area of business with focuses on estate planning, wills and successions, contracts and representing multi-state television and radio broadcast clients before the Federal Communications Commission in Washington D.C.

A proud father of four Eagle Scouts, Charles has a strong commitment to community and civic engagement. Charles has continuously provided pro bono or reduced fee legal work for a number of civic organizations. He is chairman of the Foundation for Excellence in Louisiana Public Broadcasting and a past president or chairman of the Rotary Club of Baton Rouge, the Istrouma Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America, Baton Rouge Public Radio, Inc., Junior Achievement of Baton Rouge and Acadiana, the Baton Rouge Big Buddy Program and other organizations.

Prior to joining Phelps Charles practiced for nearly 40 years with the Baton Rouge law firm of Hebert, Spencer, Cusimano and Fry, LLP.

Experience

- General Counsel of the Louisiana Association of Broadcasters.
- General Counsel of The Roman Catholic Church of the Diocese of Baton Rouge.
- Former Staff Attorney, Office of General Counsel, Federal Communications Commission.

Insights

News

- Strengthening Our Ranks: Charles Spencer and Mark Fry Join Phelps Dunbar in Baton Rouge Business Group - (04/26/2019)

Memberships and Affiliations

- Louisiana State Bar Association
- Federal Communications Bar Association
- U.S. Supreme Court
- Judicial Council of the Louisiana Supreme Court (Past Member)
- Louisiana State Law Institute (Past Member)
- Foundation for Excellence in Louisiana Public Broadcasting (Chairman and Trustee)
- Baton Rouge Rotary Club (Past President)
- Rotary International District 6200 (Past District Governor)

PHELPS DUNBAR

- Junior Achievement of Baton Rouge and Acadiana (Past Chairman)
- Boy Scouts of America (Member of Executive Committee and Chair of Endowment Committee of the Istrouma Area Council, Past I.A.C. Chairman, National Jamboree Contingent Leader and Assistant Scoutmaster)
- Girl Scouts of America (Past Board Member and General Counsel of Audubon Girl Scout Council)
- Baton Rouge Public Radio (Past President)
- Leadership Greater Baton Rouge (Class of 1986)
- Leadership Louisiana (Class of 2006)
- Southside Civic Association (Past Officer and Board Member)
- Big Buddy Program (Past President)
- Baton Rouge Magnet High School Radio Advisory Board

Recognition

- Istrouma Area Council Boy Scouts of America Distinguished Citizen Award (2018), Silver Beaver Award and James E. West Fellow
- Rotary International Service Above Self Award (2016)
- National Friends of Public Broadcasting Community Development Award (2016)
- Family Services of Greater Baton Rouge (Outstanding Family Award 2008)
- Baton Rouge Volunteer Activist Award (2006)