

Hudson Cook attorneys Allen Denson and Erik Kosa named 2018 Washington, D.C., Rising Stars

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Hudson Cook, LLP attorneys <u>Allen H. Denson</u> and <u>Erik Kosa</u> have been named to the 2018 Super Lawyers Rising Stars list for Washington, D.C.

A partner in the firm's Washington, D.C., office, Denson's practice focuses on representing small dollar lenders, sales finance companies, fintech companies, banks, auto dealers and other financial services companies in government investigations, examinations and regulatory enforcement actions. He represents clients before the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB), Federal Trade Commission (FTC), Department of Justice and federal prudential regulators, as well as state attorneys general and financial regulatory agencies. He also assists clients in complying with federal consumer financial law.

Denson frequently speaks on a variety of compliance topics to professional associations such as the American Bar Association's Consumer Financial Services Committee, Financial Service Centers of America, Community Financial Services Association, Online Lenders Alliance, National Association of Buy-Here-Pay-Here Dealers and National Independent Auto Dealers Association.

Before joining Hudson Cook, Denson was a senior attorney with the U.S. Department of the Treasury, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Enforcement & Compliance Division. There, he conducted investigations and litigation relating to federal banking law and assisted examiners with the oversight of problem banks.

Denson received his law degree from the University of Alabama *magna cum laude with Order of the Coif* honors in 2008. He is admitted to the District of Columbia Bar and the Alabama Bar.

Kosa is an associate in the firm's Washington, D.C., office. His practice includes representing banks, licensed lenders, sales finance companies, auto dealers and other creditors in regulatory enforcement actions, including actions before the CFPB, FTC, and other federal and state financial regulatory agencies. He also advises clients concerning their compliance obligations under federal and state laws.

Before joining Hudson Cook, Kosa was an associate in the litigation group at a major international law firm, as well as a Law Fellow of the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights

Under Law. He received his law degree with honors from the George Washington University Law School, and is admitted to the Virginia Bar and the District of Columbia Bar.

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