

## In The News

# *American Lawyer* Highlights Akerman's Collaborative Effort to Preserve U.S. Legal Services Corp. Funding

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Akerman Chairman & CEO [Andrew Smulian](#) joined more than 150 U.S. law firm leaders in voicing his steadfast support of community-based legal services programs. In response to potential spending cuts, the executives wrote to the U.S. Office of Management & Budget, advocating for the preservation of funding for the Legal Services Corporation (LCS), the nation's single largest funder of civil legal aid for low-income Americans. The news was reported by *The Wall Street Journal*, *ABA Journal* and *American Lawyer*, where Whitney Untiedt, director of Akerman's Pro Bono Initiatives, underscored the critical role legal aid organizations play in the community and the justice system.

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