

Special Report

Outstanding Hospital Lawyers – 2007

Lawyer	Firm	Outstanding Achievements
Keith Anderson	Drinker Biddle Gardner Carton Chicago, IL Tel. (312) 569-1278 keith.anderson@dbr.com	Frequently engaged by hospitals and other healthcare organizations to negotiate and structure critical strategic affiliations, mergers, acquisitions, and joint ventures, including physician-hospital ventures and initiatives. Often represents Catholic-sponsored and other faith-based healthcare organizations in complex transactional, affiliation and governance matters.
Constance Baker	Venable Baltimore, MD Tel. (410) 244-7535 chbaker@venable.com	Counsels hospitals, medical staffs, and physicians regarding medical staff, peer review, physician disciplinary credentialing, state licensure, and reporting requirements. Represented hospitals and physicians in investigations and regulatory compliance, including negotiations with the CMMS, OIG, and Joint Commission.
Dennis S. Diaz	Davis Wright Tremaine Los Angeles, CA Tel. (213) 633-6876 dennisdiaz@dwt.com	Served as lead counsel for healthcare organizations in investigations and prosecutions by healthcare regulatory and other government agencies; counseled healthcare organizations in fraud and abuse, Stark, false claims, billing, EMTALA, licensing, managed care, peer review, treatment of homeless patients, and other regulatory and compliance matters.
Frederic J. Entin	Foley & Lardner Chicago, IL Tel. (312) 832-4364 fentin@foley.com	Helped clients negotiate contracts for the acquisition of complex clinical information systems. Currently leading major medical center's lawsuit for breach of contract and consumer fraud against a clinical information system vendor. Also represents hospitals and other healthcare providers focusing on compliance relating to a wide variety of issues.
Beth Essig	Epstein Becker & Green New York, NY Tel. (212) 351-4570 bessig@ebglaw.com	Represents hospitals in corporate governance, fraud and abuse, regulatory compliance, accreditation, confidentiality and HIPAA, patient rights, and ethics. Represents providers in strategic and commercial transactions. Counsels hospitals in labor and employment-related matters. Represents providers in government and internal investigations.
Carel T. Hedlund	Ober/Kaler Baltimore, MD Tel. (410) 347-7366 cthedlund@ober.com	Represents hospitals and health systems and has extensive experience in the resolution and litigation of a range of Medicare payment issues. Has represented hospitals before review boards and in federal courts. Has helped develop and implement compliance programs and resolve compliance issues that arise from internal review mechanisms.
Patric Hooper	Hooper Lundy & Bookman Los Angeles, CA Tel. (310) 551-8165 phooper@health-law.com	Represents healthcare providers in disputes with federal and state governments throughout the country. Regularly advises nonprofit and for-profit healthcare organizations regarding reimbursement, certification, and licensure issues. Advises healthcare providers on Medicare, Medicaid, and CHAMPS fraud and abuse issues and on state anti-rebate and referral issues.
Dean A. Kant	McDermott Will & Emery Chicago, IL Tel. (312) 984-7557 dkant@mwe.com	Represents university hospitals, teaching hospitals, regulatory entities, health maintenance organizations, medical staffs, and professional organizations. Has served as lead counsel in hospital restructurings, mergers, acquisitions, joint ventures, organization of ASCs, certificate of need and reimbursement litigation, and hospital operational legal issues.
Heather M. O'Shea	Jones Day Chicago, IL Tel. (312) 269-4009 hoshea@jonesday.com	Advises clients on regulatory and compliance matters involving Medicare fraud and abuse laws, the Stark law, and reimbursement regulations. Has represented hospitals, nursing homes, and long-term acute care hospitals in civil and criminal investigations of alleged violations of the Medicare anti-kickback law, the Stark law, and the False Claims Act.
Glen A. Reed	King & Spalding Atlanta, GA Tel. (404) 572-3393 gareed@kslaw.com	Provided representation in the termination, related litigation, and renegotiation of Piedmont Healthcare's managed care contracts with Blue Cross; provided regulatory due diligence support for the acquisition of Abbott Laboratories diagnostics businesses by General Electric Co.; provided counsel on the restructuring of the West Georgia Health System.
Albert Shay	Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal Washington, DC Tel. (202) 408-6401 ashay@sonnenschein.com	Represented a large public hospital system in resolving a qui tam action involving Florida's Agency for Health Care Administration and Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, as well as the federal Department of Justice. Represented a medical center in resolving a potential suspension matter involving certification under the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Act.
Clifford D. Stromberg	Hogan & Hartson Washington, DC Tel. (202) 637-5699 cdstromberg@hhlaw.com	Advises several dozen of the nation's leading medical centers and national managed care companies on matters, including purchases, sales, and mergers of hospitals; acquisitions, mergers, and "conversions" of HMOs and insurers; establishing new healthcare facilities; and creating research institutes, provider networks, and integrated health systems.