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OVERVIEW

Diane has passionately served the healthcare industry for a quarter-century.

Diane advises clients on strategic planning, corporate matters, mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, restructuring, transactional, regulatory and compliance matters.

Diane's extensive work on behalf of industry clients has included:

- Organizing and structuring joint ventures nationwide, including hospitals, physician groups, ambulatory surgery centers, CLIA-certified laboratories, office-based cath labs, and imaging centers.
- Interpreting and analyzing compliance with federal and state antifraud and abuse statutes, the Stark statute, privacy statutes and applicable regulations.
- Advising clients regarding startup, formation, merger and acquisition of medical groups and facilities.

"Diane is very strong at regulatory compliance in the healthcare setting and very knowledgeable about new regulatory changes."

— Chambers USA 2024

Industry

Healthcare

Services

Corporate

COVID-19 Research and Laboratory Testing

Healthcare M&A, Joint Ventures, and Other Transactions

Healthcare Operations

Healthcare Private Equity

Healthcare Providers

Healthcare Regulatory & Compliance Counseling

Mergers & Acquisitions

Pharmacy

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- Advising and assisting clients in forming, operating, and participating in managed care and coordinated care organizations and negotiation of related contracts.

Diane is board certified in health law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization. Before joining Husch Blackwell, Diane was a Partner with Brown McCarroll.

Diane is a former member of the firm's Executive Board.

Experience

- Organized and structured joint ventures including hospitals, physicians, ambulatory surgery centers and imaging centers in numerous states including Texas, Arizona, Alaska, Florida, New Mexico and New York.
- Interpreted and analyzed compliance with federal and state antifraud and abuse statutes and applicable regulations, and the Stark statute and regulations.
- Advised clients regarding the formation, merger and acquisition of medical groups and facilities.
- Advised and assisted clients in obtaining licensure to operate in Texas as a health maintenance organization, third party administrator and utilization review agent.
- Reviewed and negotiated agreements between payors and providers.
- Advised and assisted clients in obtaining Texas State Medical Board certification as nonprofit healthcare organizations.
- Represented hospital districts and the formation of health maintenance organizations for participation in Medicaid Managed Care and the Children's Health Insurance Program.
- Advised providers on the application of antitrust laws.
- Created management companies for managing medical practices and other healthcare providers.

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Recognition

- BL Rankings' *The Best Lawyers In America®*
  - Health Care Law, 2021-2027
- *Chambers USA*
  - Healthcare, 2011, 2014-2026
- *Inside Counsel Magazine* Transformative Leadership award, 2015 Rainmaker Award

Education

- J.D., University of Texas School of Law
- B.B.A., University of Texas at Austin

Admissions

- Texas

Community Leadership

- Leadership Texas, Class of 2003
- Leadership Austin, Class of 2013
- The Fifty: Dell Seton Medical Center at the University of Texas, Member, 2012-2018



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