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OVERVIEW

Lisa Thomas is a trusted advisor to healthcare providers, drawing on more than 35 years of experience representing the industry across virtually every segment. Her deep provider-side experience gives her a thorough understanding of her clients' businesses, which she brings to every engagement as the healthcare marketplace continues to evolve rapidly. She practices from Charleston, South Carolina as a member of our virtual office, The Link.

Lisa counsels clients through major strategic events, including mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, strategic alliances, and reorganizations. She also advises providers on the day-to-day legal issues that matter most, such as fraud and abuse, physician self-referral laws, hospital-physician alignment strategies, privacy, and governance. Her client roster spans the full breadth of the industry: physician groups, regional and national hospitals, long-term care facilities, diagnostic testing facilities, ambulatory surgery centers, and medical equipment suppliers, among others.

As the industry has consolidated, Lisa has focused her provider-side experience on private equity transactions, representing both buyers and sellers. She guides clients through every stage of a deal, from the initial letter of intent to closing, structuring transactions, navigating complex regulatory frameworks such as the corporate practice of medicine, and

Industries

Education
Healthcare
Life Sciences

Services

Business Immigration and Global Mobility
Healthcare Labor & Employment and Immigration
Healthcare Litigation
Healthcare M&A, Joint Ventures, and Other Transactions
Healthcare Operations
Healthcare Private Equity
Healthcare Providers
Healthcare Regulatory & Compliance Counseling
Medicaid Reimbursement Strategies
Medical Staff & Governance
Mergers & Acquisitions
Securities & Corporate Governance

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negotiating purchase agreements, operating and shareholder agreements, and employment agreements. Her counsel extends well beyond the closing table, as she continues to advise clients across virtually all areas of post-acquisition operations.

Lisa's three decades representing providers translate directly into efficient, practical deal counsel. She understands how healthcare businesses operate, anticipates issues before they arise, and is committed to helping her clients achieve their goals.

Experience

- Represent buyers and sellers in mergers of physician practices in various specialties.
- Serve as lead counsel in multiple physician practice acquisitions by hospitals and private equity firms.
- Serve as co-general counsel to non-profit hospital.
- Serve as lead Counsel for hospital-based physician practice group.
- Represent clients in formation of urgent care centers, medical spas and functional medicine practices with non-physician ownership.
- Represent clients in formation of surgery centers.
- Serve as lead counsel to multi-state independent diagnostic testing facility.
- Serve as lead healthcare counsel to multi-state clinical laboratory.
- Serve as lead healthcare counsel in multiple sales of assisted living facilities and urgent care facilities.

Recognition

- *The Best Lawyers in America®*
    - Best Lawyers® Health Care Law "Lawyer of the Year," Charleston, SC, 2027
    - Health Care Law, 2010-2027

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Education

- J.D., University of South Carolina School of Law
  - Recipient, Dean's Medallion for First Honor Graduate
  - *South Carolina Law Review*, Associate Editor-in-Chief of Articles
  - Order of the Coif
  - Order of the Wig and Robe, Chief Justice
  - John Belton O'Neil Inn of Court, Pupil Member
- B.A., Emory University
  - Classics & Humanities

Admissions

- South Carolina
- U.S. District Court, District of South Carolina
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit

Lisa is associated with the Washington, DC office for telephone purposes only. She is not admitted to practice in the District of Columbia.

Community Leadership

- General Counsel, Mayzck Wraggborough Neighborhood Association

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*Lisa works remotely and is licensed in South Carolina, practicing in Charleston. Contact Lisa via email or phone for in-person/virtual meetings. Use the address 75 Port City Landing, Suite 110, Mount Pleasant, SC 29464 for mail/deliveries.

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