



## Linda M. Stimmel

Senior Counsel

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Linda Stimmel and her team represent hospitals, physicians and various non-physician health care providers in operational, regulatory, transactional and litigation matters in Louisville, Kentucky, and Dallas, Texas. Her health care practice also encompasses risk management, liability defense, peer review and credentialing, as well as employment contract matters. In addition, hospitals frequently seek Linda's guidance on issues involving their day-to-day operations and delivery of care.

Clients benefit from Linda's 20 years as a health care lawyer and from the business acumen she developed in her former career as a corporate executive for a global company. Having experience as both attorney and client, Linda maintains an uncommon ability to analyze as well as anticipate the needs of health care providers and institutions. She has built long-term relationships with her clients by continually working to ensure that they are in the best position to address any legal issues that arise, often providing complimentary risk management presentations as well as one-on-one counseling to their health care professionals.

### Health Care

Linda advises hospitals, health care boards, physicians and other health care providers in a variety of operational, managed care, contractual, compliance, regulatory and governance matters, including:

- Defending health care providers and institutions in medical malpractice lawsuits.
- Negotiating complex litigation settlement agreements and annuities.
- Representing health care providers in Medicaid and Medicare disputes and RAC audits.
- Creating and improving existing medical record forms.
- Representing health care institutions in connection with peer review, credentialing and

### Services

- Medical Malpractice & Health Care

provider disciplinary proceedings.

- Preparing health care providers for appearance before state licensure authorities.
- Handling all facets of patient complaints and grievances against health care providers and associated investigations by state licensure authorities.
- Providing advice to hospitals and physicians on compliance with HIPAA, EMTALA, JCAHO, and a variety of day-to-day operational issues and questions.
- Assisting health care providers and institutions in the preparation of various policies, procedures, rules and regulations.
- Reviewing and revising vendor and licensing contracts for health care institutions to provide protection on risk issues.
- Creating and improving existing hospital bylaws.
- Advising health care providers on research protocols.

### **Education**

- Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law (J.D., 1993)
- University of Kentucky (B.G.S., 1974)

### **Bar Admissions**

- Texas, 1993
- Kentucky, 1999

### **Professional Affiliations**

- American Bar Association, Health Law Section
- State Bar of Texas, Health Law Section
- Kentucky Bar Association
- Dallas Bar Association, Health Law Section
- American Health Lawyers Association
- Texas Association of Defense Counsel
- Texas Bar Foundation, fellow
- Dallas Association of Defense Counsel
- DRI: The Voice of the Defense Bar
- ASHRM Association of Healthcare Risk Managers, North Texas Division Board Member
- American Cancer Society for North Texas, Board Member

### **Awards & Honors**

- Selected for inclusion in *Texas Monthly* "Super Lawyers," 2006-2010

- Selected as a finalist for inclusion in *Lawdragon* "Leading Lawyers in America," 2010-2018