

Catherine “Cat” G. Kirkland

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Cat Kirkland is a Partner in the firm’s Health Care practice group and represents a diverse set of healthcare clients, including hospitals, physicians, and healthcare start-ups, in legal, compliance, regulatory, and reimbursement-related matters.

Cat’s reimbursement work includes assisting hospitals with navigating supplemental Medicaid programs, such as the Medicaid disproportionate share hospital (DSH), upper payment limit (UPL), or incentive-based reimbursement programs. Cat has experience in working closely with state leaders and industry associations to implement and design new programs, as well as to modify existing programs as needed to ensure continued compliance. Cat’s reimbursement expertise also extends beyond Medicaid. For example, Cat has recently assisted both large and rural hospitals with reporting and auditing for the CARES Act Provider Relief Fund and has also helped other providers analyze billing practices and address overpayment determinations.

Cat’s practice is grounded in a strong knowledge of transactions, regulations, and compliance. Cat regularly assists with issues such as healthcare contracting and business matters, Stark, Anti-Kickback, and False Claims Act analysis, policy drafting, federal investigations, provider self-reporting to the Office of Inspector General (OIG), financial modeling, and compliance planning.

When she is not in the office, Cat spends her time cooking, reading, and spending time with her family.

Speaking Engagements

- Alabama Hospital Association (AlaHa), 2022 Annual Meeting, "Alabama Medicaid: Reimbursement Issues and Lessons Learned" Speaking Engagement, 2022

PARALEGAL/ASSISTANT

Legal Practice Assistant

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CAPABILITIES

Health Care

Corporate Law

Administrative & Regulatory

Government Investigations

Health Care Business, Governance & Transactional

Health Care Compliance

EDUCATION

J.D., University of Texas School of Law (2011)

B.J., B.A., *special honors*, University of Texas at Austin (2008)

LICENSED IN

Alabama

Texas

Catherine “Cat” G. Kirkland

- Medical Group Management Association (MGMA) of Alabama, Mobile Chapter, November Membership Luncheon, “Medicare Audits and Appeals”
Speaking Engagement, 11.16.2022
- American Health Law Association (AHLA), Virtual Health Care Transactions 2021, “No Strings Attached? Understanding the Provider Relief Fund in Health Care Transactions”
Speaking Engagement, 04.14.2021
- American Health Law Association (AHLA), Virtual Physicians and Hospitals Law Institute 2021
“Negotiating Physician Agreements: Issues And Tips For Hospitals And Physicians”
Speaking Engagement, 02.12.2021
- Business Council of Alabama (BCA), “The Provider Relief Fund: FAQs, Federal Reporting, and Future Audits”
Speaking Engagement, 01.2021

Articles

- Hot Topics in Health Care - November 2022
Article, 11.28.2022
- Prepare Your Practice for Expanded Information Blocking Requirements
Articles / Publications, Medical Association of the State of Alabama News Center, 09.07.2022
- Health Care E-Note March 2022
Articles / Publications, 03.16.2022

Civic Activities

- Junior League of Mobile

Professional Activities

- The American Health Lawyers Association
- Mobile Bar Association, Law Day Chair (2021), Secretary (2022)
- Texas Bar Association