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PRACTICE AREAS

Business Transactions Corporate Cybersecurity & Data Privacy Government Investigations & White-Collar Defense Health Care Health Care Compliance & Regulation Health Care Litigation & Qui Tam Investigations HIPAA & Health Care Cybersecurity Litigation Mergers & Acquisitions Private Equity Real Estate

INDUSTRIES

Health Care Non-Profit & Government Professional Services

LICENSED IN

Georgia

EDUCATION

University of Georgia School of Law: J.D., 2014

EXPERIENCE

Matt Wilmot is a partner in HunterMaclean's health care and corporate practice groups, representing a variety of health care organizations and providers.

He advises clients on regulatory and compliance matters, encompassing institutional compliance, fraud and abuse prevention, HIPAA regulations, EMTALA, the Anti-Kickback Statute and Stark Law, licensure and accreditation, and physician contracting. Matt represents companies and individuals in the health care industry in sell-side and buy-side mergers and acquisitions and guides them through the health care industry specific considerations unique to their transaction. Additionally, Matt offers general counsel services to health care clients, managing their daily legal issues, contracting needs, medical staff matters, and corporate governance.

Matt also has significant experience in regulatory compliance, with a focus on white collar litigation. His practice involves conducting government and internal investigations for clients operating in health care, finance, education, and other tightly regulated sectors. Matt is skilled in defending clients against allegations under federal laws like the False Claims Act and equivalent state statutes. He also offers comprehensive services in conducting internal investigations, compliance assessments, and risk evaluations. His approach supports clients in navigating government inquiries and proactively enhancing operational effectiveness.

Matt previously served as the sole in-house counsel for a two-anchor hospital system with 700+ patient beds and as an attorney at Am Law 100 and 200 law firms specializing in representing clients in health care regulatory and compliance matters and government investigations. These experiences give him significant insight into the unique challenges and considerations faced by health care organizations and practitioners.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGAGEMENTS

- Defended a Georgia-based physician practice in a False Claims Act qui tam case filed in the Southern District of Georgia alleging violations of the Anti-Kickback Statute and Stark Law.
- Represented genetic testing clinical trial laboratories in relation to federal government investigations regarding the medical necessity of testing ordered.



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University of Georgia: B.A., Political Science 2011

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Health Lawyers Association Health Care Compliance Association State Bar of Georgia

COMMUNITY WORK

Extra Special People (ESP) Savannah Champion Board, Member

RECOGNITION

Georgia Super Lawyers Rising Star: 2024 Georgia Trend Magazine Legal Elite: Healthcare Law, 2024

- Represented a health care investment group in its acquisition and sale of senior living facilities throughout the country, including Georgia, Texas, Florida, and Ohio.
- Represented a health care business on its acquisition of birth centers in multiple states.
- . Represented a clinical trial research company in its joint ventures with medical practices and conduction of FDA-approved clinical trial studies.
- Represented medical practices in responding to and appealing payor audit • findings, including hearings in front of administrative law judges.
- Assisted hospital in responding to alleged violations of the Emergency • Medical Treatment and Active Labor Act.
- Served as outside corporate and regulatory counsel to hospitals and med-• ical practices.

ARTICLES

HHS Releases 2025 Strategic Plan for AI in Healthcare: What Providers Need to Know

Published February 24, 2025, by Matt Wilmot and Edgar Bueno

FRAUD ALERT: Anti-Kickback Risks in Skin Allograft Sales Published December 6, 2024, by Edgar Bueno and Matt Wilmot

Following the Trends: Georgia Medicaid Fraud Unit Targets Dental Practices Published October 8, 2024, by Edgar Bueno and Matt Wilmot

UPDATE: Scope of Practice Expansion for Georgia Advanced Practice Registered Nurses and Physician Assistants, Now Includes Schedule II Controlled Substances Published August 29, 2024, by Matt Wilmot and Edgar Bueno

Corporate Practice of Medicine Doctrine: Exploring Emerging Trends Published August 19, 2024, by Matt Wilmot and Mills Fleming

FTC's Non-Compete Ban Faces Legal Roadblock Published July 10, 2024, by Matt Wilmot, Edgar Bueno, Mills Fleming, Tom Cullen, Brad Harmon, and Shawn Kachmar

Corporate Practice of Medicine Doctrine: Increased Enforcement on the Horizon? Published January 17, 2023, by Matt Wilmot, Wes Scott, and Ethan Rosenfeld

Compliance and Regulatory Enforcement Update for Labs



Published January 5, 2023, by Matt Wilmot

Increased Enforcement Activity Expected Relating to Healthcare Provider Billing Upcoding

Published October 15, 2021, by Hannah L. Cross and Matt Wilmot

Healthcare Provider Upcoding in Government Investigation Crosshairs

Published October 21, 2021, by Edgar Bueno, Hannah L. Cross, and Matt Wilmot