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OVERVIEW

Susan Huntington, chair of the firm's Healthcare practice and vice chair of the Corporate and Business Law department, assists all types of health care providers with the spectrum of business and regulatory needs, with particular experience in forming accountable care organizations and clinical integration networks. In addition to private law firm practice, she has 20-plus years of in-house experience for a hospital, an insurance company, a large medical practice and an entrepreneurial healthcare company. Additionally, Susan has developed a national reputation for her work at the heart of the emerging trend for convergence between healthcare providers and health plans. During her 30+ year legal career, she has focused on health law and has extensive clinical, business management, insurance, risk management and legal experience. As a certified physician assistant, Susan also has a first-hand perspective on the challenges and opportunities faced by health care providers. Susan helps hospitals and physicians take advantage of the new options for clinical integration or joint ventures to improve the quality and delivery of health care. She has provided the legal support for forming three Medicare shared savings program ACOs, including two national ACOs, a statewide clinically integrated network and multiple ACO-like arrangements with third party payers.

Susan has provided legal support from just about every side of a transaction—serving as in-house counsel at Aetna, General Counsel for Connecticut's largest primary care physician group and Deputy General Counsel at Hartford HealthCare. In addition, her initial experience as a physician assistant aids with her interactions with health care clients by understanding the general clinical environment and the goals needed to achieve success in today's complicated regulatory environment. Her inhouse experience helps to navigate not only the legal issues, but also the internal political and practical issues that can become obstacles in bringing disparate parties together effectively.

In addition, Susan has over ten years of experience working for a major international insurance company and served as the health care practice leader/senior vice president. The health care practice provided directors and officers insurance, managed care liability and medical professional liability insurance for the entire spectrum of health care organizations and all types of physicians. The

underwriting and claim information from the thousands of insureds provided Susan with a wealth of experience on liability and risk management for health care providers and managed care organizations.

At Day Pitney, Susan was a key driver in establishing and drafting content for the firm's COVID-19 Resource Center and continues to be the resource on COVID-related issues for clients. She is a frequent author and editor of the Healthcare quarterly newsletter called C.H.A.T (Cybersecurity, healthcare and technology). Susan also serves as Co-Chair of the Practice Support Work Group, which has been a key in addressing the remote work environment required by the pandemic.

EXPERIENCE

Servicing as outside general counsel for physician practices, ambulatory surgery centers, outpatient clinics, medical spas, urgent care centers, care management companies, and other licensed health care providers

Assisting health care providers contract and meet regulatory requirements for ACOs and integrated delivery networks

Assist with effective negotiating of managed care contracts

Provide legal advice on transactions between various types of health care providers to comply with health care regulations

Compliance with privacy regulations and investigations of actual or potential breaches

Practical advice on software contracting for electronic health records, disease management systems and population management software

Risk management counseling

SERVICES

DATA PRIVACY, PROTECTION AND LITIGATION

COMPLIANCE OFFICER SERVICES

CORPORATE AND BUSINESS LAW

GENERAL COUNSEL SERVICES

HEALTHCARE ENFORCEMENT DEFENSE

CANNABIS

INDUSTRIES

HIPAA COMPLIANCE

HEALTHCARE

HEALTHCARE AND LIFE SCIENCES

INSURANCE REGULATION AND TRANSACTIONS

INSIGHTS

NEW MERGER GUIDELINES – POTENTIAL COMPLICATIONS IN HEALTHCARE TRANSACTIONS

Co-author, January 3, 2024, Day Pitney Alert

NEW PROVIDERS/ENTRANTS BEWARE - IGNORANCE IS NOT A DEFENSE

Co-author, December 20, 2023, Day Pitney Cybersecurity, Healthcare and Technology (C.H.A.T.) Newsletter

PROVIDERS BEWARE—NEW STANDARD ESTABLISHED IN FALSE CLAIMS ACTIONS

Co-author, October 16, 2023, Day Pitney Cybersecurity, Healthcare and Technology (C.H.A.T.) Newsletter

NEW MA PLAN HEALTH EQUITY REQUIREMENTS: ARE YOU READY?

Co-author, June 22, 2023, Day Pitney Cybersecurity, Healthcare and Technology (C.H.A.T.) Newsletter

NEW WARNING FOR PROVIDERS: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ISSUE NEW GUIDANCE ON DATA RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH WEBSITES AND PORTALS

Co-author, July-August 2023, The Journal of Federal Agency Action

NEWS

MOSES & SINGER HEALTHCARE ATTY JOINS DAY PITNEY IN HARTFORD

Quoted, March 7, 2024, Law360

DAY PITNEY ADDS ATTORNEY DAMIAN PRIVITERA TO HEALTHCARE TEAM

Quoted, March 6, 2024, Day Pitney Press Release

WITH COVID-19 EMERGENCY ORDERS LIFTED, EMPLOYERS SEEK GUIDANCE ON WORKPLACE PRECAUTIONS

Featured, October 16, 2023, Hartford Business Journal

DAY PITNEY HEALTHCARE PRACTICE CHAIR SUSAN HUNTINGTON NAMED TO HARTFORD BUSINESS JOURNAL'S 2023 POWER 25 HEALTH CARE LIST

Featured, October 16, 2023, Day Pitney Press Release

CHAMBERS USA 2023 RANKS 35 DAY PITNEY ATTORNEYS AND 13 PRACTICES

EDUCATION AND CREDENTIALS

EDUCATION

Georgetown University Law Center, J.D., 1990

University of Wisconsin, Madison, B.S., 1977

ADMISSIONS

State of Connecticut

District of Columbia

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

AFFILIATIONS

American Bar Association

American Health Lawyers Association

D.C. Bar Association

Virginia Bar Association

RECOGNITION AND COMMUNITY

RECOGNITION

Chosen for inclusion in the *Chambers USA Legal Directory* (Chambers & Partners) of recognized practitioners for Healthcare in Connecticut, 2017-2023

Recipient of Profiles in Diversity Journal's 18th Annual "Women Worth Watching" Award, 2019

Recipient of Leadership Award for Exceptional Volunteerism from the University of Connecticut Medical School, 2016

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COMMUNITY

University of Connecticut Medical School, Adjunct Faculty, 2023