



Kathy H. Butler

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Kathy helps providers interpret and comply with the various rules and regulations that apply to both individual and institutional health care providers, including federal and state fraud and abuse laws, federal Stark Law, certificate of need, corporate practice of medicine, and legal requirements for tax-exempt entities. She counsels on compliance plans, internal regulatory reviews and self-disclosures, and external regulatory investigations on both the state and federal level. She also works with institutional and individual clients on a variety of transactional and operational matters, including assisting with the negotiation and drafting of agreements (including employment, independent contractor, management, and other professional services agreements), assisting with professional licensing and accreditation issues, and advising on Medicare, Medicaid, and other health care payor reimbursement issues.

In addition, Kathy advises on the development of hospital and hospital-system policies. She is experienced in working with hospitals and their medical staffs in the areas of credentialing, governance and disciplinary matters, impaired health professional issues, risk management issues, patient rights issues, and bio-ethical issues.

Kathy combines a long-standing passion for the health care industry with her vast legal knowledge to advise hospitals, health systems, physician practices, and other health care providers across the health care spectrum. She frequently collaborates with the firm's business services attorneys on general corporate matters related to health care and with litigators on health care-related litigation matters, including medical staff litigation and health care-related litigation brought by the government and/or qui tam whistleblowers.

A leader throughout her long career, Kathy has served in various leadership roles both within the firm and as its representative with professional organizations. She previously served as in-house counsel for a large health care system, an experience that enhanced her understanding of the business and management challenges hospitals face.

Outside of work, Kathy enjoys spending time with her family (especially at her family's home in Door County, Wisconsin), reading, and traveling.

Education

- Fontbonne College (B.S., 1983)

Practices & Industries

- Health Care
- Regulatory Compliance
- Health Care & Regulated Industries
- Behavioral Health

- Saint Louis University School of Law (J.D., 1987)

Bar Admissions

- Missouri
- Illinois

Professional Affiliations

- American Health Lawyers Association
- Illinois Association of Healthcare Attorneys (*Membership Committee, 2010*)
- The Missouri Bar (*Health & Hospital Law Committee, Vice Chair, 2001-2003, 2006-present; Chair 2003-2006*)
- Missouri Society of Healthcare Attorneys (*Board Member, 2005-2008; Vice President, 2009; President, 2010*)
- St. Louis Area Health Lawyers Association
- The Healthcare Roundtable for General Counsel
- Meritas Board of Directors (*Member, 2011-2013 and 2022-2024; Executive Committee Member 2013-2014*)
- Meritas Women's Leadership Council (*Member, 2020-2024*)

Community Involvement

- Kirkwood-Webster YMCA (*Board of Advisors, 2006-2012*)
- Saint Louis University School of Law (*Dean's Council, 2015-2016*)

Awards & Honors

- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Health Care Law, Missouri (2014-2026)
- Health Care Law Power List, *Missouri Lawyers Media* (2021-2024)
- Named to the Missouri and Kansas Super Lawyers list (2005, 2007-2009)
- Women's Justice Award, *Missouri Lawyers Weekly* (2013)

News & Media

August 21, 2025

UB Greensfelder Attorneys Recognized in The Best Lawyers in America® 2026 List

August 15, 2024

UB Greensfelder Attorneys Recognized in The Best Lawyers in America® 2025 List

March 19, 2024

UB Greensfelder's Kathy Butler Named to Missouri Lawyers Media's Health Care Law 2024 Power List

August 17, 2023

Best Lawyers 2024 Edition Lists 66 Greensfelder Attorneys, Including Five "Lawyers Of The Year"

August 18, 2022

Best Lawyers 2023 Edition Lists Over 60 Greensfelder Attorneys, Including Five St. Louis 'Lawyers Of The Year'

April 15, 2022

Kathy Butler Nominated To Serve On Meritas Board Of Directors

August 19, 2021

Best Lawyers 2022 Edition Lists 60 Greensfelder Attorneys, Including Three St. Louis 'Lawyers Of The Year'

March 25, 2021

Kathy Butler Joins Leadership Team for Meritas Women's Leadership Congress