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PRACTICES

- Health Care
- Privacy/Data Use Security

EDUCATION

- Northwestern University School of Law, J.D., 1992
- Cornell University, B.A., with distinction, 1988

ADMISSIONS

- Illinois
- Missouri

AFFILIATIONS

- American Health Lawyers Association
- Missouri Society of Health Care Attorneys
- American Bar Association, Forum on Health Law
- Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis
- The Missouri Bar
- St. Louis Area Health Lawyers Association
- Illinois Association of Healthcare Attorneys
- Healthcare Businesswomen's Association
- LeadingAge
- Healthcare Compliance Association

For more than 30 years, Evan has served as a trusted advisor to hospitals, health care systems, long-term care facilities, health plans, physicians, and other businesses involved in the health care industry.

Evan co-chairs Thompson Coburn's Corporate Department and also serves on the Firm's Management and Executive Committees.

Whether leading a large multi-hospital system through a major acquisition or fielding questions about day-to-day operations at a small regional hospital, Evan centers her representation around the specific needs and objectives of her clients. She understands the tremendous time and budget pressures facing today's health care industry, and responds by listening carefully to her clients' concerns and providing succinct, targeted advice.

Evan has extensive experience negotiating corporate transactions ranging from hospital mergers and acquisitions, to contractual and equity joint ventures, to physician employment agreements and hospital-based physician independent contractor agreements. She counsels health care entities on a wide variety of regulatory compliance issues — both in the context of structuring corporate transactions and managing day-to-day operational issues. She regularly assists clients with issues related to: Stark Law, Medicare/Medicaid reimbursement, HIPAA, EMTALA, responding to government investigations, and initiating self-disclosures.

In all types of matters, Evan focuses on helping clients navigate critical issues in a way that minimizes risk while still accomplishing the client's business objectives.

EMPLOYMENT

- Thompson Coburn LLP Partner, 2001-Present Associate, 1999-2000
- The Stolar Partnership 1992-1999

COMMUNITY

- Gateway to Hope, Board Member, 2012-Present

RECOGNITIONS

- 2023 Women, Influence and Power in Law Award winner (by ALM Global, LLC)
- Named by BTI Consulting as a 2021 Client Service All-Star for Mergers & Acquisitions
- Named Lawyer of the Year for Health Care Law in The Best Lawyers in America (by BL Rankings), 2018, 2020, 2025
- Listed in the POWER List for Health Care Law by Missouri Lawyers Media, 2023
- Listed in The Best Lawyers in America, (by BL Rankings) 2011-2025
- 2017 Women's Justice Award winner (by Missouri Lawyers Media)
 - Business Practitioner
- Listed in "Chambers USA" for Healthcare in Missouri, 2022-2023 (by Chambers & Partners)

PUBLICATIONS

- Quoted, "How Female Leaders Approach Remote Work Policies," *Law360 Pulse*, August 29, 2023

Representative Clients

- Anderson Hospital
- Bethesda Health Group
- Graphite Health
- Mercy Health
- Presbyterian Healthcare Services
- Ranken Jordan Pediatric Bridge Hospital

Experience

- **Served as lead outside counsel to large nonprofit health systems in its acquisition of 22 traditional and specialty retail pharmacies. Participated in negotiation of transaction documents required to implement the transaction, oversight of due diligence and advice on various business and compliance matters related to the transition of the pharmacy businesses to the health system.**
- **Served as lead outside counsel to large nonprofit health system in sale of its outreach laboratory business to national laboratory provider. Participated in negotiation of all transaction documents required to implement the transaction, oversight of due diligence and advice on various business and compliance matters related to the sale of the lab business.**
- **Served as lead outside counsel to regional acute care not-for-profit hospital and its affiliates in connection with the development of a joint venture involving the joint ownership and operation of an inpatient rehabilitation hospital located in Illinois. Participated in preparation and negotiation of various transaction documents, coordination of regulatory approvals and analysis of tax ramifications.**
- **Serve as lead outside counsel to provider-sponsored health plan owned by large nonprofit health system in the Southwest in connection with a variety of health care regulatory and transaction matters including assisting the plans with analyzing strategic arrangements and programs under federal and state regulations and advising the plans on structuring those arrangements and programs consistent with applicable laws, restructuring the provision of behavioral health management services for its Medicaid and commercial lines of business and assisting with compliance review of various network provider arrangements.**
- **Serve as lead outside counsel to a specialty pediatric rehabilitation hospital's management team and Board of Directors and advise regularly on a wide range of regulatory compliance, medical staff, employment and Board governance matters.**
- **Serve as outside counsel to a joint venture software company established to transform the digital future of healthcare through its application platform, software development kit and marketplace. Representation of the company has included preparation of transaction documents in connection with formation and implementation of the company's business model and advice regarding software contracting, intellectual property and employment matters.**

