



## Susan K. Hackney

### Partner

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### OVERVIEW

Susan Hackney assists health care clients law with regulatory and litigation matters, including certificate of need planning and contested cases, licensing and certification matters, payment disputes, medical staff privilege matters, EMTALA issues, civil monetary penalty appeals and contract disputes. She represents hospital systems, adult care facility providers, continuing care providers, hospice facilities, physician groups, and other health care providers.

### PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining K&L Gates, Susan was an attorney with the North Carolina Department of Justice in the Administrative Division, Medical Facilities Section. From 2003-2005, she was a research assistant for the Honorable John C. Martin at the North Carolina Court of Appeals.

While attending law school, Susan was a member of the Holderness Moot Court.

### ACHIEVEMENTS

- Selected to the North Carolina Rising Stars list in 2014.

### PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- North Carolina Society of Health Care Attorneys' Board of Directors' member
- Member of American Health Lawyers Association
- Member of the North Carolina Bar Association, Administrative Law Section
- Member of the Wake County Bar Association
- Member of the Eastern District of North Carolina Chapter of the Federal Bar Association
- Tryon Palace Foundation Board of Directors' member

- Susie Sharp Inn of Court; Secretary/Treasurer, 2005-2008
- Wachovia Bank, Wilson, North Carolina; Local Board of Directors, 1992-2002

## **SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS**

- The Art of Defense: Legal Lessons from an OIG Audit of Severe Malnutrition, /voox, 15 November 2023

## **EDUCATION**

- J.D., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Law, 2003
- B.A., University of North Carolina, 1979

## **ADMISSIONS**

- Bar of North Carolina
- United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina

## **THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB***

- 6 November 2018, Court Orders Elimination of Medicare Appeals Backlog by 2022
- 13 September 2018, K&L Gates Triage: Medicare Overpayment Recoupment Halted by Court
- 5 June 2018, Expanded Option to Settle Medicare Appeals
- 21 May 2018, OMHA to Host Call on Expanded Settlement Conference Facilitation on May 22, 2018
- 26 February 2016, North Carolina Court of Appeals Confirms Peer Review Privilege
- 11 February 2016, Federal Appeals Court Rejects Challenge to Virginia's Certificate of Need Law

## **NEWS & EVENTS**

- 9 March 2021, K&L Gates Obtains Successful Appeal Involving Oncology Billing and Modifier 25 Claims

## **AREAS OF FOCUS**

- Health Care and FDA
- Health Care Payor-Provider Disputes (U.S.)