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OVERVIEW

Cindy Laura Ortega Ramos is an associate at the firm's Chicago office. She is a member of the Health Care and FDA practice group. Cindy assists the practice group with transactional and strategic operational matters. These matters include regulatory compliance issues related to licensure, physician self-referral and anti-kickback laws along with Medicare and Medicaid fraud and abuse.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm, Cindy served as a summer associate at the firm. In this role she researched antitrust guidelines and case law regarding group purchasing organizations and clinical integration. Additionally, she conducted legal research and analyzed the use and application of extrapolation in decisions at the Department of Health and Human Services Office of Medicare Hearings and Appeals. While attending Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, Cindy clerked for the general counsel of Rush University Medical Center. During said clerkship, Cindy conducted federal, state, and municipal research regarding patient's informed consent along with EMTALA and CMS's regulations. Cindy also researched COVID-19 waivers applicability as they were first emerging.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Cindy serves as the Vice-Chair of the Chicago Bar Association Health Law Committee. Cindy is also a member of the Illinois Association of Healthcare Attorneys and serves on its Diversity and Inclusion Committee.

While in law school, Cindy received the Women's Bar Foundation Scholarship and the Hispanic Lawyers Scholarship Fund Award.

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- Chicago Bar Association, Vice-Chair of the Health Law Committee
- Illinois Association of Healthcare Attorneys, member of the Diversity and Inclusion Committee
- American Health Lawyers Association
- Hispanic Lawyers Association of Illinois

ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND

Cindy's pro bono experience includes:

- Representing clients in immigration proceedings
- Representing clients in Section 1983 claims

EDUCATION

- J.D., Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law, 2021
- B.A., University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, 2017 (*cum laude*)

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Illinois

LANGUAGES

- Spanish

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 12 October 2023, FDA Issues Guidance on Informed Consent for IRBs, Clinical Investigators, and Sponsors
- 31 August 2022, All Federal Research Agencies to Update Public Access Policies
- 25 February 2022, Qui Tam Quarterly - EHR Systems: A Step Forward for Patients but a Compliance and Enforcement Minefield for Health Care Providers

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Health Care and FDA