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OF COUNSEL

Overview

In the ever changing health care environment, litigation is volatile and expensive, and the need for exceptional litigation counsel has never been greater. Those in the health care industry know Carmel Cosgrave is the attorney to call for the high profile, high exposure case.

Carmel has been resolving complex litigation matters for health care clients for more than 30 years. She works with her clients to collaborate on a successful resolution strategy. When that strategy is to proceed to trial, Carmel is a fierce advocate and formidable adversary. When litigation is not the most prudent route, Carmel advises her clients honestly and thoughtfully on the best resolution for their interests. Carmel represents hospital systems, long term care operators, assisted living facilities, religious and nonprofit institutions, medical device manufacturers, physicians, nurses, dentists, and other medical professionals, in all forms of litigation, including administrative proceedings, mediation and trials.

As a member of the firm's Committee for Diversity and Inclusion, Carmel works to advance firm-wide diversity initiatives. Carmel also organized the firm's first Women's Affinity Group in late 2018 to empower, encourage and support the female attorneys of Amundsen Davis to become better lawyers and leaders in the legal community. As the first woman on the firm's Executive Committee, Carmel influenced the strategic direction of the firm, ensuring each of our attorneys is working to exceed client expectations in every area of practice.

Experience

Defense of Religious and Nonprofit Institutions in Sexual Abuse Claims

Represented an On-call Physician Accused of Failing to Diagnose a Cardiac Condition

SERVICES

Cybersecurity & Data Privacy

Health Care

Medical Devices

Nonprofit Institutions & Tax-Exempt Organizations

EDUCATION

Loyola University Chicago School of Law, J.D., 1980, *with honors*

Roosevelt University, B.S., 1977, *summa cum laude*

Loyola Alumni Academic Scholarship Recipient

ADMISSIONS

Illinois

Represented a Hospital System Alleged of Negligently Administering a Tube Feeding to which the Patient was Known to be Allergic

Defended a Hospital and a Nurse in a Medical Negligence Case

Successful Defense Against Allegation of Apparent Agency on Behalf of Hospital in Medical Malpractice Trial

Membership & Involvement

- Member: Committee for Diversity and Inclusion
- Chicago Bar Association's Judicial Evaluation Committee: Appellate Review Panel; Former Member of Executive Committee of CBA JEC; General Chair from 2015-2016
- Chicago Hospital Risk Managers Society (CHRMS): Member; President, April 2008-2009; President-Elect, April 2007-2008; Past President 2009-2010 and Executive Board, 2005-2010
- Member: Society of Trial Lawyers
- Former Member: Amundsen Davis Executive Committee
- Former Faculty Member: National Institute for Trial Advocacy – Midwest Region
- Loyola University of Chicago School of Law: Former Legal Writing Instructor; Volunteer Trial Team Coach

Honors

- Martindale-Hubbell AV® Preeminent™ rated
- Received the 2016 Cook County Jury Verdict Reporter Trial Lawyer Excellence Award
- Selected by the Leading Lawyers Network as a "Leading Lawyer" in medical malpractice defense law
- Selected to the Illinois Super Lawyers list: 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010

Firm News

SmithAmundsen Hosts a Celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month
October 5, 2017

Cook County Jury Verdict Reporter Awards Carmel Cosgrave with Trial Lawyer Excellence Award
Jury Verdict Reporter, October 19, 2016

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Alerts

Pre-Judgment Interest Law Takes Effect July 1, 2021

Liability Immunity for Health Care Providers During the COVID-19 Crisis

Hospitals Successfully Assert Peer Review Privileges Under Two Different Statutes

Knock, Knock ... It's OSHA

Learned Treatises and Apparent Agency

Speaking Engagements

A New Era: Prejudgment Interest in Illinois
SmithAmundsen, Webcast, June 16, 2021

CHRMS Spring Webinar: Liability Protections for Health Care Providers during COVID-19
Chicagoland Healthcare Risk Management Society, Webcast, April 24, 2020

Celebrate PRIDE With SmithAmundsen
Chicago, IL, June 27, 2019

Celebrate PRIDE With SmithAmundsen
SmithAmundsen Hosted It's Fourth Annual PRIDE Celebration
Brando's Speakeasy, June 21, 2017

Celebrate PRIDE With SmithAmundsen
June 23, 2016

Giving and Getting the Business Among Women
The Women's Bar Association of Illinois & Jones Day, May 5, 2016

SmithAmundsen Hosts Third Annual Black History Month Event
Park Hyatt, Chicago, IL, February 18, 2016

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