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INDUSTRIES

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Laura Katz, a Partner in Saul Ewing Arnstein & Lehr's Baltimore office, brings significant experience in the healthcare industry to Saul Ewing Arnstein & Lehr where she balances her practice between health law and health insurance law. As a member of the Firm's Health Practice Group and Insurance Practice Group, Laura represents healthcare providers and suppliers, along with health insurers including managed care organizations and preferred provider organizations. She was appointed as the first Patient Care Ombudsman in a healthcare bankruptcy case in Maryland and has since been appointed by U.S. Trustees as the Patient Care Ombudsman for other chapter 11 cases in Maryland and a case in New Jersey.

Laura's health law practice focuses on helping her clients keep pace with increasing changes in federal and state healthcare laws and regulations. Routinely, Laura assists healthcare clients with the preparation of documents, negotiations, strategic planning, risk management and compliance. In particular, she helps physicians and other licensed healthcare practitioners along with healthcare entities, such as ambulatory surgery centers, hospitals, nursing homes, assisted living facilities, and pharmacies in handling critical issues that are defining the way healthcare is delivered today.

EXPERIENCE

Some examples of Laura's legal representations include:

- Structuring business arrangements to comply with the Medicare/Medicaid Anti-Kickback Statute, federal and state Stark laws;
- Handling investigations and actions brought by federal and state governmental agencies, such as the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, OIG and DOJ;
- Challenging the denial or offset of Medicare/Medicaid reimbursement;
- Assisting with the formation of clinically integrated networks and Accountable Care Organizations; and,
- Providing guidance and policies for compliance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, as amended (HIPAA), the False Claims Act and other relevant healthcare laws.

HONORS

Named a "Top Woman Lawyer in the Northeast" by *Arrive* magazine, July/August 2011

Named a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation, 2010

Selected for inclusion in Maryland *Super Lawyers Magazine*, 2007 to present

Named one of "Maryland's Legal Elite" by *Baltimore SmartCEO*, 2006

Named one of "Maryland's Top 40 Legal Elite" by *Baltimore SmartCEO*, 2005

Who's Who in American Law, Seventh Edition

Who's Who, 2003-2004 Edition

MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

Member, American Bar Association

Member, Maryland State Bar Association

Member, American Health Lawyers Association

Member, America's Health Insurance Plans

EDUCATION

J.D., Loyola University of Chicago School of Law, 1987

- Member, *Loyola University of Chicago Law Review*

M.S.W., University of Maryland, School of Social Work and Community Planning, 1973

B.A., Boston University, 1970, *cum laude*

BAR ADMISSION

Maryland

FIRM MANAGEMENT POSITIONS

Benefits Committee, Member

CLERKSHIPS

Interned for the Honorable James De Anda of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas (Houston)