

Crystal Bloom

PRACTICE AREA: HEALTH LAW

Crystal M. Bloom is a partner in the firm's Health Law group and Chair of its regulatory practice. She provides services and consultation to healthcare providers including teaching and community hospitals, rehabilitation and long-term care hospitals, behavioral health providers, healthcare systems, skilled nursing facilities, assisted living residences and other elder care providers, medical technology providers, community health centers, EMS providers, allied health professionals, clinics, hospices, and home health agencies.

Crystal counsels healthcare providers on a variety of state and federal regulatory matters governed by such agencies as the Department of Public Health (DPH), the Health Policy Commission, the Office of Medicaid (MassHealth), the Department of Mental Health, the Executive Office of Health and Human Services, the Office of the Attorney General, the Executive Office of Elder Affairs and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Specifically, Crystal provides strategic guidance to clients respect to the full spectrum of state regulatory requirements for the development of new healthcare service lines, facility construction and changes of ownership, including DPH licensure, architectural plan review and Determination of Need. In addition, Crystal advises clients with respect to Medicare and MassHealth enrollment and certification as well as state and federal agency quality of care enforcement actions.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Law Clerk, Summit Law Health Partners, Boston, MA

Certified Student Attorney, Suffolk University Law School Disability Clinic, Boston, MA

Legal Intern, Massachusetts Division of Professional Licensure Office of Legal Counsel, Boston, MA

Clinical Research Assistant II, McLean Hospital Brain Imaging Center, Belmont, MA

EDUCATION

Suffolk University Law School, J.D., cum laude, 2007, Phi Delta Phi Northeastern University, B.A.

Psychology, magna cum laude, 2002

COURT / BAR ADMISSIONS

Massachusetts

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SERVICE AREAS

Mergers & acquisitions; EMTALA; Corporate formation, joint ventures, affiliations, other business arrangements; Regulatory compliance; Patient care issues; Professional licensure and discipline; Medicare/Medicaid reimbursement; State and federal regulatory matters; Telemedicine/e-health

INDUSTRIES

Academic Medical Centers; Teaching Hospitals; Community Hospitals; Medical Technology; Community Health Centers; Clinical Laboratories; Pharmacies; Skilled Nursing; Assisted Living; Home/Hospice Care; Behavioral Health; Hospices; Clinics; Emergency Medical Services (EMS); Rehabilitation Hospitals

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Massachusetts Bar Association

Women's Bar Association

American Health Lawyers Association

FORMER BOARD MEMBER

Board Member of the Community Day Center of Waltham

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- successfully assisted major Boston rehabilitation hospital in obtaining Department of Public Health approvals needed for the design, construction, and opening/licensure of new state-of-the-art hospital on the Boston waterfront
- advised major medical imaging provider in the successful expansion of its imaging service in Western Massachusetts
- successfully guided major healthcare system in obtaining Department of Public health transfer of ownership approval for the acquisition of key community hospital
- assisted a Canadian EMS provider in the acquisition of Boston-based ambulance service
- managed and obtained required state regulatory approvals to permit a major Worcester nursing home provider in the expansion and development of a state-of-the-art medical and elder care complex