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Overview

Alex Keoskey's practice focuses on healthcare litigation and complex regulatory compliance issues for the firm's healthcare and litigation groups. His primary area of expertise is defending physicians, dentists, chiropractors, pharmacists, nurses and public and private health care entities in myriad employment, administrative and regulatory compliance challenges, including the handling of disciplinary actions brought by state licensing boards, investigations brought by OIG, FDA, DEA and other government agencies, employment law claims, medical malpractice actions, billing-related fraud claims and other actions brought against health care facilities and individual providers by government entities, third party insurers and private parties. Alex regularly litigates such matters in state and federal court, the N.J. Office of Administrative Law and before hospital hearing committees.

Since 2003, Alex currently serves as litigation and compliance counsel for the North Hudson Community Action Corp., a federally qualified health center ("FQHC") accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health Care Organizations (JCAHO). The North Hudson Community Action Corp. has over 750 employees, at over 22 locations in Hudson, Bergen, and Passaic counties.

Alex is a New Jersey native. He received his B.A. from Rutgers University in Political Science, and his J.D. from Rutgers as well. Following his graduation, he served as a judicial law clerk in the New Jersey Superior Court-Law Division. He then spent six years as a Deputy Attorney General for the State of New Jersey within its Division of Law, first defending state agencies against civil actions in state and federal court. Later, he was assigned to the Professional Boards Prosecution Section handling matters assigned by the N.J. Boards of Medical Examiners, Pharmacy, Dental Examiners, Chiropractic Examiners, Optometrists, Nursing and Physical Therapy.

Alex is also a faculty member at PBI Education, providing clinicians and educators preventative education and personalized remedial interventions that reduce lapses in professionalism, thereby improving competence and performance. Attorneys on PBI's faculty are chosen based on their legal knowledge relating to healthcare law and regulation. Alex frequently lectures before physicians, hospitals and other health organizations regarding regulatory compliance and the impact of licensing board, insurance company, civil malpractice claims and hospital privilege actions and has authored several published articles in both medical and legal professional journals. He is also an active member of the American Society of Medical Association Counsel and is certified by the American Society of Professional Coders (AAPC) as a Professional Health Compliance Officer. Alex also provides continuing legal education through the National Business Institute (NBI), The N.J. Association for Justice and the NJ Institute for Continuing Legal Education (ICLE) relating to health law, employment law and professional liability.

Alex has significant trial and litigation experience in N.J. Superior Court, U.S. District Court, the New Jersey Office of Administrative Law, New Jersey Workers Compensation Courts, and other tribunals within New Jersey and is certified by the New Jersey Supreme Court as a Civil Trial Attorney, one of only 2% of such attorneys in our state. The Litigation Counsel of America's (LCA) Trial Lawyer Honorary Society, which invites less than one-half of one percent of American trial lawyers to its ranks, chose Alex as a Fellow in 2012 and a Senior Fellow in 2022. Alex is a

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Member of LCA's Trial Law and Diversity Law Institutes.

Before beginning his legal career, Alex worked for the State Treasurer of New Jersey as a Legislative Analyst and Investigator. Prior to those assignments, Alex was on active duty with the United States Marine Corp, serving with the 1st and 3rd Marine infantry divisions in the Far East and in Southern California from 1980-1983. He also served alongside the U.S. Department of State in the USMC security forces for the American Embassy in Moscow, USSR from 1984-1985 and U.S. diplomatic posts in Frankfurt, Germany and Stockholm, Sweden in 1985 and 1986. Alex's last duty assignment in the USMC was as a member of the diplomatic security force for the October 1986 Superpower summit meeting in Reykjavik, Iceland between President Ronald Reagan, and USSR General Secretary Mikhail Gorbachev in October 1986.

Professional Affiliations

American Society of Medical Association Counsel, Member

Publications

"Representing Physicians in Criminal, Civil and Regulatory Actions," New York Law Journal, February 3, 2023.

"Why you want to avoid an adverse report to the National Practitioner Data Bank," Medical Economics, October 24, 2022.

Areas of Practice

- Commercial and Corporate Litigation
- Healthcare
- Dental Law
- Veterinary Law

Admission

- New Jersey, 1996
- U.S. District Court – District of New Jersey
- U.S. Court of Appeals 3rd Circuit
- New York
- U.S. District Court – Southern District of New York

Education

- Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey School of Law, J.D., *Member of the Student Bar Association*, 1996
- Rutgers University, B.A., *With Honors*, 1990

Podcasts

EmotionTrac's ***"Latte with a Lawyer"*** Podcast, November 29, 2022.

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Speaking Engagements

“Ethics in Dentistry,” New Jersey Academy of General Dentistry, May 2023.

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