

# Austin Marshall Eason

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## Overview

Austin Eason counsels hospitals and other health care providers on regulatory and transactional aspects of health care law, with an emphasis on regulatory issues related to licensing, Stark Law, anti-kickback, Amendment 7/Florida Patients' Right-to-Know, Sunshine Law, and HIPAA.

Austin has significant experience analyzing liability and advising risk management departments, defending medical malpractice and facility/premises liability claims, and litigating, negotiating, and settling complex business claims, such as breach of contract, noncompetition, and nonsolicitation, as well as shareholder disputes on behalf of health care providers. Austin is a proven trial attorney, having litigated thousands of cases and taken a vast array of trials to jury verdict as lead counsel.

Austin provides assistance complying with licensing and accreditation agencies such as the Agency for Health Care Administration, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, and the Joint Commission, as well as defending licensure actions brought by the Department of Health. Austin also has experience handling a wide range of regulatory issues of concern to hospitals and providers, including Florida Consumer Collection Practices Act, Florida Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act, accounts receivable management issues, billing and collections issues, and False Claims Act claims brought by the Department of Justice.

Additionally, Austin drafts and negotiates various professional services agreements, employment agreements, and clinical research agreements.

Austin has been selected for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America: Ones to Watch*, *Super Lawyers Magazine*, and *Florida Trend Magazine*.

## Areas of Focus

### Practices

- Health Care
- Securities Litigation and Enforcement
- White Collar Crime & Government Investigations
- Business Transactions

### Industries

- Health Care

## Insights

06.24.2022

New Crypto Bill Seeks to Regulate Digital Assets and Their Markets

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03.21.2020

Florida Restricts Medically Unnecessary, Non-Urgent, or Non-Emergency Procedure or Surgery

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03.19.2020

Cybersecurity Considerations for Providers Considering Telehealth During COVID-19's State of Emergency

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03.18.2020

Telehealth Benefits for Medicare Beneficiaries During COVID-19 Outbreak

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## News

02.27.2019

Carlton Fields Adds Health Care Attorney in Tampa

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## Recognition

- *The Best Lawyers in America: Ones to Watch*, Health Care Law, Medical Malpractice Law – Defendants, Medical Malpractice Law – Plaintiffs (2021–2024)
- Florida Rising Stars, *Super Lawyers Magazine* (2020–2023)
- Florida Legal Elite "Up & Comers," *Florida Trend Magazine* (2020)

## Professional & Community Involvement

- Judge John M. Scheb American Inn of Court (2015–present)
- Sarasota County Bar Association
  - Chair, Civil Trial Section (2013–present)
- Make-A-Wish Foundation
  - Board Member (2015–2017)

## Credentials

### Education

- University of Florida Fredric G. Levin College of Law (J.D., 2013)
- Florida State University (B.S., 2010)

### Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida

### Bar Admissions

- Florida

## Background

- Associate, Wicker Smith O'Hara McCoy & Ford P.A., Sarasota, FL (2016–2019)
- Assistant State Attorney, Florida State Attorney's Office of the 12th Judicial Circuit, Sarasota, FL (2013–2016)