



Linda L. Fleming

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Overview

As a health care transactional attorney, Linda Fleming assists providers in all phases of the business cycle, from formation of new entities, creation of joint ventures, acquisitions of businesses, to exit strategies, including mergers and buy/sell transactions. With 30 years of legal experience, she has concentrated her practice in health care matters for the last two decades. She represents hospitals and health systems, large physician groups, ambulatory surgery centers and owners of health care providers, including public entities. In her role as a transactional lawyer, Linda participates in client teams for acquisitions, new facilities, and expansions, negotiates deals, drafts purchase and sale agreements and related transaction documents, and advises clients on corporate, contract, health care, regulatory, and governance matters.

Linda has written and spoken extensively on the Affordable Care Act and serves on the board of several not-for-profit organizations.

Experience

- Represented health system in acquisition of equity stake in multiple urgent care centers.
- Assisted client in unwind of affiliation agreement, including transfers of membership interests and stock.
- Represented physician group in sale of majority interest in ambulatory surgery center.

- Assisted hospital with development of its first off-campus emergency department and supporting services, including radiology and lab.
- Represented health system in the establishment of ambulatory surgery center.
- Assisted client in the creation of a community pharmacy.
- Assisted hospital in spinoff of physician practice and admission of new physician entity into the hospital's obligated group.
- Represented hospital in \$180 million+ financing.
- Represented Planned Parenthood of Southwest and Central Florida Inc. in a tri-party merger.
- Represented hospice in its affiliation with a larger, nonprofit hospice system.
- Represented a public entity in a long-term hospital lease transaction.
- Represented a hospital in refinancing \$200 million in bond debt.
- Represented Tampa General Hospital in its conversion from a public hospital to a private, not-forprofit corporation with tax-exempt status and continued representation post-closing.

Areas of Focus

Practices

- Health Care
- Business Transactions
- Nonprofit Organizations
- Corporate Law and Governance
- Distressed Health Care

Insights

11.05.2021 Health Care Worker Vaccine Mandates: New Strings Attached for Federal Funds

04.19.2021 Health Care Price Transparency: CMS Says No Hiding the Ball Containing Pricing Information

04.27.2020

HHS Announces Additional Allocations Under the CARES Act Provider Relief Fund

- Industries
- Health Care

04.17.2020 \$30 Billion in Provider Relief Delivered Under the CARES Act

03.31.2020 CARES Act Impact on Health Care

06.30.2016 Hospital/Physician Leases Compliance Checklist

12.23.2015 Avoiding the Bull's-Eye

06.25.2015 *King v. Burwell*: No "Death Spirals"

01.28.2015 A New Year, New Obligations for Employers

12.31.2014 Your New Year's Resolutions Should Include Affordable Care Act Compliance

07.08.2014 The ACA's Bumpy Ride

07.08.2014 Congress Sends Mixed Messages to Health Care Providers

01.03.2014 The Affordable Care Act Comes of Age

12.30.2011 Schedule H Revisited After Health Care Reform

News

11.15.2019

Restructuring Distressed Entities for a Clean Financial Bill of Health

08.15.2017 78 Carlton Fields Attorneys Named "Best Lawyers in America"

Recognition

- AV Rated by Martindale-Hubbell
- The Best Lawyers in America, Health Care Law (2013–2024)
- Leading Lawyers, Ambulatory M&A Advisor (2014–2016)

Professional & Community Involvement

- The Florida Bar
 - Business Law Section
 - Health Law Section
- Hillsborough County Bar Association
 - Health Care Law Section
- American Health Lawyers Association
- Association for Corporate Growth
 - Director, Tampa Bay Chapter
- Planned Parenthood of Southwest and Central Florida Inc.
 - Director
- United Way of Tampa Bay
 - Keel Club

Speaking Engagements

- "The Affordable Care Act: Half Way Home?," Saybrook, CT (November 2014)
- "What's New in Healthcare Current Trends," Saybrook, CT (November 2014)
- "Linda Fleming Answers Questions About ACA," WUSF Radio (March 2014)
- "Linda Fleming Answers Questions About ACA," WUSF Radio (August 2013)
- "Acquisition of a Physician Practice," FICPA Health Care Industry Conference, Orlando, FL (April 2012). Download Presentation.

Pro Bono

• Represented Planned Parenthood of Southwest and Central Florida Inc. in a tri-party merger (2015).

Credentials

Education

- University of Florida College of Law (J.D., high honors, 1989)
- Florida State University (B.S., 1979)

Bar Admissions

• Florida

Background

• Shareholder, Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney, Tampa, FL (1998–2010)