

# Jennifer K. Stuart

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## PARTNER

### Overview

Before attending law school, Jennifer worked and studied at multiple academic medical centers where she witnessed firsthand the impact of medical malpractice lawsuits on the practice of medicine. This unique exposure coupled with a lifelong love of science was the catalyst that drove her to become a health care defense attorney.

For more than 10 years, Jennifer has utilized her clinical background and analytical nature in health care litigation and compliance. She defends hospitals, health care systems, home care service groups, long term care facilities, medical clinics, physician practice groups, clinical laboratory services, and individual health care providers against medical malpractice, institutional liability and other complex litigation claims at the trial and appellate court levels.

Jennifer is dedicated to working with her clients to not only defend against past errors, but also to prevent adverse future outcomes. She recently obtained summary judgment in favor of a hospital in a wrongful death case involving nearly \$3 million in medical specials.

Jennifer received the Certified in Healthcare Compliance (CHC) designation from the Compliance Certification Board, demonstrating knowledge of Medicare compliance procedures and the ability to implement programs to ensure health care providers observe federal, state and local health care regulations.

### Experience

Obtained Summary Judgment in Favor of a Hospital in a Delayed Diagnosis Case

Represented a Nurse Practitioner in an Action Involving the Alleged Failure to Prevent a Patient's Death at a Long Term Care Facility

### SERVICES

Behavioral Health Care Providers

Cybersecurity & Data Privacy Health Care

### EDUCATION

Loyola University Chicago School of Law, J.D., Certificate in Health Law, 2006, *cum laude*

Duke University School of Medicine, M.H.S., Pathology, 2001

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, B.S., Biology, Chemistry 1998

### ADMISSIONS

Illinois

Represented a Hospital System Alleged of Negligently Administering a Tube Feeding to which the Patient was Known to be Allergic

Defended Staff at a Long Term Care Facility

Defense of Religious and Nonprofit Institutions in Sexual Abuse Claims

Defended a Hospital System Accused of Failing to Timely Diagnose a Patient's Cancer

Represented an On-call Physician Accused of Failing to Diagnose a Cardiac Condition

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### Membership & Involvement

- Member: American Health Lawyers Association; American College of Legal Medicine; Defense Research Institute (DRI); Illinois Association of Defense Trial Counsel; American Society for Health Care Risk Management; Health Care Compliance Association; Illinois Association of Healthcare Attorneys; American Association for the Advancement of Science; American Geophysical Union
- Chicago Healthcare Risk Management Society (CHRMS): Program Committee, 2007 – Present; Past President, 2017-2018; President, 2016-2017; President-Elect, 2015-2016; Executive Board Member, 2011-2015; Program Committee, Co-Chair, 2011-2013

### Honors

- Received Chicago Healthcare Risk Management Society (CHRMS) Greatest Contribution of the Year Award
- Selected to the Illinois Super Lawyers "Rising Stars" list: 2009, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017
- Selected by the Leading Lawyers Network as an "Emerging Lawyer" in health law and medical malpractice defense

### Firm News

24 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Included on 2017 Illinois Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Lists

Firm News, January 13, 2017

17 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Included on 2016 Illinois Super Lawyers and 2016 Illinois Rising Stars Lists

Firm News, January 8, 2016

Chicagoland Healthcare Risk Management Society Elects Jennifer Stuart as President-Elect

May 2015

Illinois Super Lawyers & Illinois Rising Stars Names 17 Amundsen Davis Attorneys to 2015 List  
Firm News, January 12, 2015

Illinois Super Lawyers & Illinois Rising Stars Names 12 Amundsen Davis Attorneys to 2013 List  
January 3, 2013

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## Alerts

Illinois Pre-Judgment Interest Statute Declared Unconstitutional

The New Normal: GAO 21-3 Mandates New HIPAA QPO In All Cook County Law Division Cases

Patience Required: New Federal Court Opinion on the Application of COVID-19 Immunities

UPDATE: Prejudgment Interest Could Impact Personal Injury and Wrongful Death Actions in Illinois

New House Bill Could Impact Personal Injury and Wrongful Death Actions in Illinois

CMS Recommendations on Reopening Facilities to Provide Non-Emergent Health Care Services

HHS Office of Civil Rights Announces Guidance to Assist Providers in Navigating HIPAA During the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency

Liability Immunity for Health Care Providers During the COVID-19 Crisis

A Flaw in Apology Laws?

## Speaking Engagements

Navigating Patient Privacy Against the Backdrop of Court Rulings, New Privacy Laws, and a Sophisticated Threat Landscape

Speaking Engagement, Hilton Chicago; Chicago, IL, November 18, 2022

COVID-19 in Skilled Care and Assisted Living: What You Must Do Now to Manage Risk and Impact

Event, Amundsen Davis, Webcast, May 15, 2020

CHRMS Spring Webinar: Liability Protections for Health Care Providers during COVID-19

Chicagoland Healthcare Risk Management Society, Webcast, April 24, 2020

Celebrate PRIDE With Amundsen Davis  
Chicago, IL, June 27, 2019

Hiring, Background Checks, and Medical Credentialing in Health Care  
Organizations: What You Must Know in 2018  
Amundsen Davis, Seminar; Chicago, IL, March 7, 2018

Legal Issues in Nursing: Why Depositions are Taken  
Client Presentation, Berwyn, IL, February 28, 2015

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