

Moses Suarez

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PARTNER

Overview

Formerly a nursing assistant and pharmacy technician, Moses has a deep understanding of the health care industry. As co-chair of the firm's Health Care Service Group, he focuses his practice on the representation of hospitals, health care professionals, medical groups, and long term care facilities. His extensive malpractice litigation experience includes adverse maternal and fetal outcomes, emergency room care, and complex vascular injuries. Moses also represents medical professionals before state licensing boards.

Moses advises clients on interpretation and compliance with state and federal health care regulations as well as risk reduction and crisis management. He collaborates with his clients to develop and implement policies to increase efficiency and to promote a culture of safety. When his clients are faced with a surrogate decision making crisis, Moses also provides probate and guardianship services.

Moses frequently presents on practice improvement, informed consent, and medical documentation on both a national and state level. He's the first Latino President of the Lesbian and Gay Bar Association of Chicago. Prior to attending law school, Moses served in a variety of government-related positions, including as chief of staff to a Texas county commissioner. He is fluent in Spanish.

Moses earned the Certified in Healthcare Compliance (CHC) designation from the Compliance Certification Board. CHC certification demonstrates knowledge of federal health care regulations, including Medicare, HIPAA, DEA, and FDA. Moses assists health care industry organizations in compliance procedures to understand, address, and implement legal obligations and to promote organizational integrity through operation of effective compliance programs.

SERVICES

Behavioral Health Care Providers

Health Care

EDUCATION

Valparaiso University School of Law, J.D., 2010

University of Texas at San Antonio, B.A., 2004

Certified in Healthcare Compliance (CHC)

ADMISSIONS

Illinois

Experience

Comprehensive Legal Counsel for Behavioral Health Providers

Defended University and Counseling Student Intern in Medical Malpractice Allegations

Police Social Work Memorandum of Understanding and Services Agreement for Crisis Intervention

Rapid Response Legal Counsel Regarding Emergency Inpatient Admission for Mental Health Services

Successfully Defended a Nursing Home Operator and a Pharmacy Against a False Claims Act Complaint

Won a Motion to Dismiss in a Qui Tam Case Alleging False Claims Act Violations in Federal Court

Obtained a Favorable Settlement at Pretrial on Behalf of a Hospital in a Medical Malpractice Case

Obtained a Defense Verdict for a Hospital in an Emergency Department Case Involving Alleged Wrongful Death from Delay in Triage, Diagnosis and Treatment

Obtained a Favorable Defense Settlement for a Hospital in a Catastrophic Birth Injury Case

Successfully Represented a Primary Care Physician Before the Various Illinois Disciplinary Boards of the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation

Obtained Summary Judgment to Bar Family Expense Act Medical Bills on the Basis the Claim was Time Barred by the Statute of Limitation

Defended a Physician Group and Practitioners in Alleged Failure to Monitor and Manage Outpatient Coumadin Therapy

Defended a Physician and Medical Group Alleged to Have Negligently Prescribed Trazodone for Sleep

Obtained Dismissal and Compelled Arbitration for Nursing Home Consultant and Facility Operator

Membership & Involvement

- Illinois Supreme Court Committee on Jury Instructions - Civil: Member (2022-Present)
- LAGBAC – Chicago's LGBTQ+ Bar Association: President (2018-2022); Vice President (2015-2018); Board Member

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- Chicago Healthcare Risk Management Society (CHRMS): President (2022-2023); Secretary (2020-2021); Committee Member
- Member: Chicago Bar Association; American Bar Association; American Society for Health Care Risk Management; Hispanic National Bar Association; Hispanic Lawyers Association of Illinois; Amundsen Davis Committee for Diversity and Inclusion
- Former Steering Committee Member: Professional Liability Underwriting Society (PLUS)
- Volunteer: Legal Council for Health Justice

Honors

- Recipient of the National LGBT Bar Association's "Best LGBTQ+ Lawyers Under 40" Award: 2020
- Selected by the Chicagoland Healthcare Risk Management Association as the "2020 Rookie of the Year"
- Recipient of the Hispanic National Bar Association's "Top Lawyers Under 40" Award: 2020
- Selected by the Leading Lawyers Network as an "Emerging Lawyer" in medical malpractice defense
- Selected to the Illinois Super Lawyers "Rising Stars" list: 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020

Firm News

Moses Suarez Appointed to Illinois Supreme Court Committee of Jury Instructions - Civil Cases
January 1, 2022

Chicagoland Healthcare Risk Management Society Elects Moses Suarez as President-Elect for 2021-2022
May 2021

Moses Suarez Receives 2020 "Best LGBTQ+ Lawyers Under 40" Award by the National LGBT Bar Association & Foundation
National LGBT Bar Association & Foundation, March 3, 2020

Moses Suarez Receives the 2020 Hispanic National Bar Association Top Lawyers Under 40 Award
Firm News, February 5, 2020

23 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Included on 2020 Illinois Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Lists
January 29, 2020

Moses Suarez Sworn in as First Latino president of the Lesbian and Gay Bar Association of Chicago
January 25, 2019

28 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Included on 2019 Illinois Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Lists
Firm News, January 24, 2019

Amundsen Davis Hosts a Celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month
October 5, 2017

26 Amundsen Davis Attorneys Included on 2017 Illinois Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Lists
Firm News, January 13, 2017

Amundsen Davis Promotes Two to Partner
March 10, 2016

In the Media

Ed Management Quotes Moses Suarez in "Malpractice Lawsuits Allege ED Missed Intracranial Aneurysms"

"LGBTQ+ persons should be free to live and work openly and authentically..."
Moses Suarez Quoted in the 2Civility's blog on the *Bostock* decision

LAGBAC Gets a New Leader -- Moses Suarez Featured in *Chicago Daily Law Bulletin*

Moses Suarez Featured in Chicago Lawyer Magazine on Law Firm Diversity

Alerts

FCAS ScienTer Standard: To Change or Not To Change, That is the Question

Payment for Access to Patient Data May be a Violation of the AKS

CMS Issues Telehealth Toolkit

OCR Finds State Hospital Has Discriminatory Ventilator Triage Guidelines – Early Resolution Reached

Battlefield Triage During a Public Health Emergency or Infectious Disease Outbreak

Assisted Living Facilities, Beware: Fair Housing Act May Soon Knock at Your Door

Speaking Engagements

Health Care Compliance: Developing and Implementing an Effective Program
Event, Amundsen Davis; Webcast, July 23, 2024

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Risk Management for New Advanced Practice Providers
Northwestern Medical School; Chicago, IL, December 4, 2018

EMTALA in 2018
Oak Brook, IL, April 27, 2018

Informed Consent & 4th Amendment Rights
National Association of Hispanic Nurses Meeting; Maywood, IL, November 16, 2017

Celebrate PRIDE With Amundsen Davis
SmithAmundsen Hosted It's Fourth Annual PRIDE Celebration
Brando's Speakeasy, June 21, 2017

Alphabetical Order: Defining and Using the Correct Terminology Within our
LGBTQ Community
DRI's Diversity for Success Seminar and Corporate Expo; Chicago, IL, June 15, 2017

Hispanic National Bar Association Hosts 41st Annual Conference in Chicago
Hispanic National Bar Association, Seminar; Chicago, IL, September 9, 2016

Warnings and Termination of Patients: To Dismiss or Not to Dismiss?
Advocate Medical Group, Webinar, August 3, 2016

Celebrate PRIDE With Amundsen Davis
June 23, 2016

Litigating Legal Issues Common to Assisted Living Facilities
Webinar, June 3, 2016

Amundsen Davis Hosts Third Annual Black History Month Event
Park Hyatt, Chicago, IL, February 18, 2016

Published Works

Health Care Immunity Laws: 50 State Compendium
Amundsen Davis, April 30, 2020

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