

Blake H. Reeves

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Blake Reeves is a highly experienced health care litigation attorney with over 20 years of practice advising providers and organizations on complex regulatory and operational challenges. He focuses on reimbursement disputes, government investigations and administrative actions, offering strategic guidance and strong advocacy in high-pressure environments. His deep knowledge of health care law and steady approach make him a trusted resource and counsel for clients navigating regulatory scrutiny and administrative conflict.

Blake regularly advises clients on the legal implications of their day-to-day health care business operations and legal interests in civil claims, regulatory investigations, government investigations and state agency disputes.

Blake focuses his practice on representing hospital systems, physicians and other health care providers with industry-related regulatory disputes and litigation, including:

- Federal and state regulatory compliance
- Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement disputes
- Medical staff privilege hearings
- Medical professional licensure investigations and disciplinary actions
- Hospital regulatory and compliance matters
- Administrative litigation

Blake's compliance work involves representing health care providers, including hospitals, health care systems and skilled nursing facilities in a range of matters related to Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement disputes, government investigations and other compliance matters.

Education

- University of Kansas (J.D., 1998)
- University of Kansas (B.A., 1995)
 - Political Science

Capabilities

- Academic Medical Centers
- Health Care Guardianship
- Health Care Litigation
- Health Care
- Litigation
- Managed Care & Payor Disputes
- Medical Staff Governance, Operations & Disputes
- Reimbursement Audits & Disputes
- Health Care Reimbursement
- Privacy Litigation

Bar Admissions

- Missouri
- Kansas

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court, Western District of Missouri
- U.S. District Court, District of Kansas
- United States Supreme Court

Memberships

- American Health Law Association
- Greater Kansas City Society of Healthcare Attorneys
- The Missouri Bar
- Kansas Bar Association
- Missouri Organization of Defense Lawyers
- Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association
 - Litigation Section
 - Health Law Section
- Lawyers Association of Kansas City
- Legal Aid of Western Missouri Volunteer Attorney Program
- United Way of Greater Kansas City
- Country Club Christian Church
 - Deacon

Recognition

- Selected for inclusion in Missouri & Kansas Super Lawyers, 2012 - 2020
- Honored by *The Kansas City Business Journal* as "Best of the Bar" in Business Litigation and Health Care Litigation, 2010-2016

Matters

- Represented a Kansas academic medical center in administrative hearings with state government agencies to recover substantial provider reimbursement claims for uninsured patients.
- Represented a national health system in litigation involving the sale and transfer of hospital and health care entities.
- Represented an academic medical center pharmacy in defense of state regulatory board action involving alleged shortage and diversion of controlled substances.
- Represented licensed health care providers in challenges to their professional licenses before the Missouri Board of Registration for the Healing Arts and Kansas State Board of Healing Arts.
- Represents hospitals and health care systems in guardianship proceedings to manage patient care and treatment needs.
- Obtained full and unrestricted license for out-of-state obstetric physician despite multiple professional liability claims by demonstrating exceptional credentials and obtaining medical expert support for compliance with standard of care relating to prior malpractice claims.

- After a week-long jury trial, successfully defended a national hospital system in a multi-million dollar damages claim for professional liability.
- Represented a large health care system involving multiple litigation-related issues for acquisition of another regional hospital system.
- Successful litigation and mediation of multi-million dollar damages claim against trauma surgeon and national health care system for professional liability related to spine fracture and spinal cord injury.
- Represented a large hospital system involving medical staff privilege hearing and related declaratory judgment action.
- Successful litigation and disposition of multi-million dollar damages claims for improper medical staff credentialing and privileging allegations relating to orthopedic surgeons performing complex spine surgery.
- Successful management of peer review regulatory board complaint and investigation of Missouri physician.
- Obtained declaratory relief for academic medical center involving high-risk obstetric procedures.
- Successfully litigated and obtained temporary injunctive relief on behalf of psychiatric treatment facility threatened by CMS termination notice of Medicare and Medicare Participation.

Publications

March 1, 2023

Health Care Reimbursement and Payor Dispute Update

February 2023

Med-Staff Newsletter

September 15, 2022

Health Care Reimbursement and Payor Dispute Update

Events

March 6, 2026

Part 4: 2026 Medical Staff Virtual Conference

March 7, 2025

2025 Medical Staff Virtual Conference - Part 4