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BIOGRAPHY

Chris Eades focuses his practice in the areas of virtual care and medical staff governance. With respect to the latter, Chris regularly counsels clients on matters involving medical staff credentialing and peer review, as well as interpretation and application of hospital and professional licensure rules, Medicare conditions of participation, accreditation standards, and medical staff governing documents. He is engaged by the firm's clients to assist with the drafting and implementation of medical staff bylaws, credentialing policies, rules and regulations, peer review sharing arrangements, FPPE/OPPE processes and other medical staff policies and procedures. Peer review confidentiality and peer review immunity are critical to effective hospital and medical staff quality review. Chris frequently represents hospitals and other health care entities in the context of medical staff quality review and corrective action processes, fair hearings and related litigation, assisting these clients to maximize the intended benefit of peer review confidentiality and to achieve state and federal peer review immunity.

As part of his virtual care practice, Chris regularly works with health care entities and providers throughout the country, and also in other areas of the world, to develop and implement virtual care programs. There is wide variability among jurisdictions in their approach to telehealth and telemedicine. Chris assists the firm's clients to navigate this variability and to understand and appropriately apply the relevant telemedicine rules and regulations, particularly those involving the professional practice of virtual care. These matters routinely involve professional licensure requirements, delegated credentialing agreements, scope of practice considerations, informed consent for telemedicine services, related recordkeeping requirements, telemedicine prescription requirements and other aspects of virtual care workflow. Chris enjoys speaking at conferences and events throughout the year on aspects of virtual care, particularly as the applicable regulatory framework continues to evolve in response to the wealth of potential made possible through telemedicine technology.

SERVICES

- Accountable Care Organizations
- Clinical Services & Patient Care Issues
- Credentialing & Peer Review
- Licensing, Certification & Accreditation
- Commercial Litigation
- Medical Staff Organization & Structure
- Patient Safety
- Population Health Management
- Virtual Care

EDUCATION

Indiana University, B.A., with distinction - 1994

Indiana University School of Law - Bloomington, J.D. - 1997

ADMITTED TO BAR

- Indiana - 1997
- U.S. District Court, Northern and Southern Districts of Indiana - 1997

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MEMBERSHIPS

- Indiana State Bar Association
- Defense Trial Counsel of Indiana
- Indianapolis Bar Association

EXPERIENCE

- Private Practice (1997-2002)

HONORS

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Laura Brown

IHA – Deputy General Counsel

Laura Brown is Deputy General Counsel for the Indiana Hospital Association, providing critical legal support to IHA's members and across all of IHA's various departments, including advocacy, finance, data, and patient safety.

Laura recently served as the Director of Legislative and Legal Affairs for the Indiana Health Care Association. Previously, Brown served in the Holcomb-Crouch administration as Special Counsel and Parliamentarian for Lt. Governor Suzanne Crouch. Her experience also includes private practice at Krieg DeVault LLP and the Indiana State Senate, where she achieved the post of Deputy Majority Attorney.

Brown obtained her Juris Doctor at Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law in 2014 and her Bachelor of Arts in History at DePauw University in 2011.