

Lawrence Vernaglia

Lawrence Vernaglia is a partner with Foley & Lardner LLP and is Chair of the firm's national Health Care Industry Team. He is admitted to practice in New York, Massachusetts and New Hampshire, and represents both nonprofit and for-profit/publicly traded companies.

Mr. Vernaglia is a health care lawyer with over 20 years of experience representing hospitals, health systems and academic medical centers and a variety of other health care providers. His practice involves regulatory and transactional matters, including Medicare/Medicaid reimbursement compliance advice and appeals; mergers, acquisitions and financings; state regulatory issues including licensing; fraud & abuse/Stark law analyses; managed care contracting; and general corporate and business planning in health care. He runs strategic planning programs for senior management and governing boards.

Mr. Vernaglia earned his JD and his Master's in Public Health from Boston University.

Jennifer Belveal

Jennifer Belveal is a partner and trial lawyer with Foley & Lardner LLP. Her practice is focused on white collar criminal defense and investigations, compliance and regulatory matters, as well as complex civil litigation. In addition, Ms. Belveal has spent much of her career advising on ethics matters.

Ms. Belveal has more than 20 years of experience representing companies, corporate boards, and individuals in high-stakes matters involving significant risk of liability and reputational damage. She has successfully handled more than 50 trials, arbitrations, and preliminary examinations. She regularly advises clients regarding federal and state matters involving financial transactions, securities, health care, public corruption, environmental laws, government contracting, shareholder liability, and data privacy and security.

Ms. Belveal earned her law degree from the University of Michigan Law School.

Jeff Livesay

Jeff Livesay serves as the Senior Executive Vice President for both the Michigan Health Information Network Shared Services (MiHIN) and its subsidiary, Velatura. Velatura offers solutions from MiHIN to other states, creatively connecting and aligning people, organizations, technology, ideas and information to enhance healthcare, simplify work, and reduce costs.

Mr. Livesay oversees MiHIN's legal affairs, and leads national efforts with Carequality, CommonWell, DirectTrust, the National Association for Trusted Exchange, the CARIN Alliance, and DigitalBridge, including efforts for cross-jurisdictional use cases and scalable legal frameworks. He led the creation of an extensive, powerful legal framework resulting in more than 700 data-sharing agreements executed, along with hundreds of contracts and statements of work.

Mr. Livesay formed the MiHIN Operations Advisory Committee and served as its co-chair until 2017. He also initiated Michigan's Security and Privacy Working Group, leading to the formation of the Michigan Healthcare Cybersecurity Council. He guided efforts through that working group to help develop a statewide standard consent form which ultimately resulted in a new approach to electronic consent, including pilots through Office of the National Coordinator Patient Choice Project.

Mr. Livesay received his Master's in Computer Science from North Carolina State University and his Bachelor's from Michigan State University.

Chanley T. Howell

Chanley Howell is a partner and intellectual property lawyer with Foley & Lardner LLP, where his practice focuses on a broad range of technology law matters. He is a member of the firm's Technology Transactions & Outsourcing and Privacy, Security & Information Management Practices as well as the Sports, Health Care, and Automotive Industry Teams.

Mr. Howell represents companies in a variety of technology law areas, including data privacy and security compliance, software and technology agreements, and the internet. Additionally, he is a certified information privacy professional in the U.S., a key industry benchmark accredited by the International Association of Privacy Professionals, and he routinely speaks and writes regarding various information technology law issues.

In recognition of his experience, Mr. Howell has been Peer Review Rated as AV[®] Preeminent™, the highest performance rating in Martindale-Hubbell's peer review rating system.

Mr. Howell received his JD from the University of Florida College of Law.

Tara Adams Ragone

Tara Adams Ragone is an Assistant Professor in Seton Hall Law's Center for Health & Pharmaceutical Law & Policy, where her research and writing focus on implementation of health care reform, integration of behavioral and physical health care, privacy law, mental health parity, accountable care organizations, health care access, prescription drug abuse, and issues related to the representation of health care professionals.

Professor Ragone serves on many advisory committees, including the New Jersey Division of Consumer Affairs Pain Management Council; the New Jersey iPHD Advisory Committee; the Good Care Collaborative's Steering Committee; and the Stakeholder Advisory Committee for Rutgers University Behavioral Health Care's Center for Behavioral Health and Insurance Literacy. Professor Ragone developed and teaches a health law skills course, is the Faculty Supervisor of the Health Law Semester in Washington, D.C. Program, and advises students competing in national health law competitions.

Professor Ragone regularly contributes to health law blogs, including Health Reform Watch and HealthLawProf Blog, and is a peer reviewer for the Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics.

Professor Ragone received her JD from New York University School of Law.

Jim Markwith

Jim Markwith is the founder of Markwith Law, a practice focused on technology and IP transactions with an emphasis on Healthcare IT, software, cloud based offerings, data protection, compliance, and M&A. His clients range from startups to some of the world's largest technology leaders.

Mr. Markwith's services include legal advice and support on multiple different subjects, e.g., support for Healthcare IT, data and cloud based product development; HIPAA and privacy compliance; and establishing end-to-end contracting and licensing processes.

Mr. Markwith started his legal career as a litigator and transactional attorney in Silicon Valley, and went on to hold Senior and Executive in-house legal positions with Adobe Systems, Microsoft, General Electric Healthcare IT, and Allscripts Healthcare. At Allscripts he served as Senior Vice President and Chief IP Counsel. While there, he negotiated complex technology and IP transactions supporting all Healthcare IT product development, international sales, business development, and M&A. He also established and managed Allscripts' patent and licensing programs, and served as Chief Counsel for the alliance between Allscripts and Singapore's Integrated Health Information Systems (IHIS), which established labs bringing information technologies to health systems in Singapore and other Asian countries.

Mr. Markwith received his JD from Santa Clara University School of Law.

Rick Murdock

For fifteen years, Rick Murdock was the Executive Director of the Michigan Association of Health Plans. He now is a consultant via R B Murdock Consulting LLC.

The Michigan Association of Health Plans is the state trade association representing Michigan's health plans, providing services to nearly 2.5 million Michigan citizens in Medicaid, Commercial and Medicare product lines of business. Its mission is to advocate for affordable and cost-effective health care services delivered in a competitive and transparent environment to serve Michigan.

Prior to MAHP, Mr. Murdock was the Director of the Managed Care Division in the Michigan Department of Community Health. While there, he directed the Michigan Managed Care initiative contracting with Michigan Health Plans to deliver comprehensive services to Medicaid beneficiaries.

Mr. Murdock received his Master's in Health Planning and Administration from the University of Michigan.