

## **Raymond McMahon** Shareholder

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Defending doctors, physicians groups, skilled health care workers, and health facilities is Raymond McMahon's practice emphasis. He regularly prevails in multimillion dollar and complex high-stakes healthcare liability actions, in court and before government boards and agencies. In addition, Ray has been chosen by a group of clients to be on their select defense panel.

### **Focus Areas**

Leveraging his skills in economic analytics and medical documentation, Ray represents physicians in administrative law hearings before the California Medical Board and numerous government entities.

In Medicare and Medi-Cal reimbursement disputes, investigations, and related audits, he works assiduously with medical professionals throughout the process. His counsel encompasses the entirety of an audit, including audit preparation, prepayment audits and post payment concerns. He skillfully addresses critical questions involving chart review, document interpretation, expert testimony, and the right to extrapolation. He has developed tremendous experience in challenging alleged overpayments in both the public and private arenas, saving his clients millions of dollars.

Additional medical specialties in Ray's legal background include civil representation of veterinarians, podiatrists, physical therapists, allergists, and elder care. He also counsels educational entities, as well as laboratories on their licensing and certification issues. He has significant success in upholding his judgments in appellate proceedings.

### **Representative Matters Include:**

- Significantly reduces the financial exposure of physicians facing Medicare and Medi-Cal fraudulent billing accusations.
- Defend doctors, dentists and nurses, on unprofessional conduct claims.
- Successfully represent physicians on civil rights violations alleged under HIPPA.
- Represent educational entities conducting boot camp-style outdoor programs on liability issues connected with emotional and physical injuries alleged by participants.
- Advocate for Medicare health care providers during quality of care claims under the Lumetra program.
- Defend laboratories and medical staff in danger of revocation of their certification and other claims of deficiencies.

Recognized for his strong and compelling communications skills in court and before government agencies such as California's Department of Health Services and Department of Health and Human Services, Ray is a frequent presenter before insurance companies, medical centers and physician groups. He is a graduate of the American Board of Trial Advocates School of Trial Advocacy.

### **Education**

- University of California, Los Angeles, School of Law, J.D., 1993
  - Moot Court Honors Program
  - American Jurisprudence Award for Torts
- California State University, Fullerton, B.A., Economics, 1990
  - Lavern Graves Award in Economics
  - School of Business, Student of the Year - Finalist

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## **Courts Admitted**

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit
- United States District Court, Central District of California
- All California State Courts

## **Practice Areas**

- Administrative
- Appellate
- General Liability
- Medical Malpractice Defense

## **Associations**

- American Health Lawyers Association
- California Academy of Attorneys for Health Care Professionals - Vice President
- Orange County Inn of Court

## **Recognition**

- *Law & Politics* – Super Lawyer 2012
- *Law & Politics* – Southern California Rising Stars 2004, 2005

## **Presentations & Publications**

- "What to do if the Medical Board Calls"
- "Risk Management – Reducing Liability Exposure"
- "Charting, Documentation, and Getting Sued"
- "Litigating Elder Abuse Claims"
- "MICRA in 2003"

## **Published Decisions**

- *Derderian v. Dietrick* (1997) 56 Cal. App. 4th 892, 65 Cal.Rptr. 2d 800

## **Judicial Intern**

- Judge Valerie Baker, Los Angeles Superior Court - Judicial Intern
- Judge Alice Marie Stotler, United States District Court, Central District of California, Santa Ana - Judicial Intern