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Areas of Focus

Practice

Healthcare

Industry

Healthcare

Charles served as Co-Chair of the Stevens & Lee Health Law Department from 1998 until 2020. He represents healthcare systems in a wide-range of matters, including mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, affiliations and reorganizations, antitrust planning and compliance, fraud and abuse law compliance, exempt organization tax planning and healthcare contracting and compliance.

Charles frequently lectures on these topics as they affect healthcare organizations and regularly publishes articles on these and other healthcare subjects.

Charles served as law clerk for Justice Sidney M. Schreiber, Supreme Court of New Jersey.

While in law school, he was Editor of the *University of Pennsylvania Law Review* and was elected to the Order of the Coif.

A frequent contributor to the Health Law Observer blog, Charles is recognized as an authority on health care industry M&A, antitrust and transactional and regulatory developments. He has garnered two Readers' Choice Awards in 2024 from JD Supra, a leading legal intelligence publisher, for being among the 10 most widely-read authors in the categories of Health Care and M&A.

Representative Transactions

- Represented WellSpan Health in its affiliation with Summit Health
- Represented Guthrie Clinic in its affiliation with Cortland Regional Medical Center
- Represented Susquehanna Health System in its affiliation with the University of Pittsburgh

Medical Center

- Represented Prospect Medical Holdings, Inc. in its acquisition of Crozer-Keystone Health System
- Represented Lancaster General Health in its affiliation with The University of Pennsylvania Health System
- Represented Guthrie Clinic in its affiliation with Memorial Hospital (Towanda, PA)
- Represented WellSpan Health in its affiliation with Good Samaritan Hospital
- Represented Mercy Health System in the sale of Mercy Suburban Hospital to Prime Healthcare Foundation
- Represented WellSpan Health in its affiliation with Ephrata Community Hospital
- Represented Mercy Health System and Mercy Health Plan in the sale of Mercy Health Plan's interest in AmeriHealth Mercy Health Plan and Keystone Mercy Health Plan to Independence Blue Cross and Blue Cross of Michigan
- Represented Susquehanna Health System in its acquisition of Laurel Health System
- Represented Mercy Health System in the sale of St. Agnes Long Term Care Hospital to Triumph HealthCare
- Represented St. Agnes Medical Center (Mercy Health System of Southeastern Pennsylvania) in the sale of its short-term acute care operations to Thomas Jefferson University Hospitals and in the establishment of a new long-term acute care hospital/continuing care facility at St. Agnes
- Represented Phoenixville Community Health Foundation in the sale by Phoenixville Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania Health System to Community Health Systems
- Represented Woman's Medical Hospital in its purchase of Medical College of Pennsylvania from Tenet
- Acted as transaction counsel in the affiliation of Gnadon Huetten Memorial Hospital and Palmerton Hospital to form Blue Mountain Health System
- Represented Carlisle Hospital in its sale to Health Management Associates
- Represented Lancaster Health Alliance in the sale of Brandywine Hospital to Community Health Systems
- Represented Guthrie Clinic in its affiliation with Guthrie Healthcare System
- Represented Frankford Hospital in its acquisition of Delaware Valley Medical Center
- Represented York Health System in its affiliation with Gettysburg Hospital to form WellSpan Health
- Represented Frankford Health Care System in its affiliation with Jefferson Health System
- Represented Pennsylvania College of Podiatric Medicine in its affiliation with Temple University
- Represented Phoenixville Hospital in its sale to the University of Pennsylvania Health System
- Acted as counsel in the affiliation of Providence Health System and North Central Pennsylvania Health System to form Susquehanna Health System
- Represented Divine Providence Hospital in its acquisition of Muncy Valley Hospital

Affiliations

- American Health Lawyers Association
- Pennsylvania Bar Association
- American Bar Association, Health Law Section

Recognition

- As published in *Philadelphia* magazine, Charles has been recognized as a Pennsylvania Super Lawyer by being selected by his peers as among the top 5 percent of lawyers in the Commonwealth and is recognized as among the leading healthcare lawyers, based on an intensive research process incorporating client feedback, by international legal research publisher Chambers & Partners.

Education

- University of Pennsylvania Law School, J.D., *magna cum laude*, Order of the Coif
- Cornell University, B.A., *magna cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa

Bar Admissions

- Pennsylvania
- New Jersey

Court Admissions

- U.S. Tax Court