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Greg focuses his practice on health care law, and leverages his background dealing with cybersecurity, data privacy, and health care issues to provide trusted counsel to clients on a variety of matters including risk assessment, operational compliance concerns, provider credentialing, administrative proceedings, and compliance program implementation and training.

He worked previously as a senior assistant attorney general and director of CyberOhio, a division of the Ohio Attorney General's office. With CyberOhio, Greg helped draft and pass into law the Ohio Data Protection Act. The legislation was the first of its kind in the United States and gives businesses an affirmative defense to certain data breach lawsuits. While at the attorney general's office, Greg's duties also included managing and supervising the Cyber & Privacy Unit, analyzing cybersecurity threats, developing plans for minimizing risk, performing cybersecurity outreach throughout Ohio, and working with other attorneys general offices. He is a frequent author and lecturer on cybersecurity issues for businesses.

He has also worked as an enforcement/compliance attorney with the State Medical Board of Ohio, ensuring statutory and administrative rule compliance by physicians, physician assistants, and massage therapists. Additionally, he oversaw investigations and prepared complex cases for formal action by the State Medical Board. Greg also advised board members and agency personnel on issues related to the Medical Practices Act of Ohio, Chapter 119 Administrative Procedures, and federal rules and regulations implicating the area of health care.

Greg also has significant experience in criminal law based on his practice as an assistant county prosecutor in both Seneca and Delaware counties. In this role, he managed adult felony trial dockets in both counties, which included handling cases at the investigation, trial, and appeal stages.

In addition to his extensive familiarity with the latest technologies, Greg's substantial experience with regulatory matters at all levels of government enables him to bring a distinctive and insightful approach to handling varied and intricate matters for health care organizations of all sizes.

### Services

- Corporate & Transactional

- Health Care Industry
- Artificial Intelligence, Cybersecurity & Data Privacy

## Education

- Ohio Northern University, Claude W. Pettit College of Law (J.D., *with distinction*, 2008)
  - Willis Society Inductee (Awarded to Students in Top 10% of Graduating Class)
  - Counselor's Academic Scholarship Recipient
  - Dean's List
  - Law Review associate editor
  - CALI Award for Excellence
  - Judicial extern for Chief Judge Walter H. Rice, Southern District of Ohio
- University of Tennessee (B.A., *summa cum laude*, 2004)
  - Political Science
  - Legislative intern for Tennessee General Assembly

## Bar Admissions

- Ohio

## Affiliations/Memberships

- Ohio State Bar Association
  - Health Law Committee
  - Administrative Law Committee
- Columbus Bar Association, Health Care Law Committee
- Society of Ohio Healthcare Attorneys, Ohio Hospital Association

## Publications

November 20, 2024

**DEA Further Extends Telemedicine Prescribing Flexibilities through December 2025**

July 22, 2024

**Data Breaches and Your Smart Watch: FTC Expands the Reach of the Health Breach Notification Rule**

December 15, 2023

**You've Got (E-)Mail: Ohio Law Now Allows Licensing Agencies to Serve Disciplinary Actions Exclusively by Email**

May 2, 2023

**State Medical Board of Ohio Finalizes New Telehealth Rules**

March 3, 2023

**Media Reports Shine Light on Ohio's Physician "Sexual Misconduct" Law and it is Broader than You May Know**

February 22, 2023

**Your License in the Crosshairs: Understanding the State Medical Board's Disciplinary Process in an Era of Increased Scrutiny**

February 7, 2023

**The State Medical Board Has Called You, Now What?**

January 6, 2023

**Ohio Supreme Court Takes On Chevron Deference: Is It A Lump Of Coal In The Stockings Of State Administrative Agencies?**

March 16, 2022

**State Medical Board of Ohio Proposes New Telehealth Rules in Response to HB 122**

December 30, 2021

**Health Care Workers with Substance Use Disorder Histories Can Now Seek Ohio Licensure Without Discipline**

December 23, 2021

**Ohio Permanently Expands Use of Telehealth Services**

July 16, 2021

**Interstate License Compacts Arrive to Ohio for Physicians, Nurses, and Audiology/Speech-Language Pathologists**

July 14, 2021

**Ohio Introduces Data Privacy Legislation**

May 6, 2020

**Return to Work: Top 5 Employer Policies for Employees Using Their Own Devices**

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March 19, 2020

**State Medical Board of Ohio Relaxes Regulations in Fight Against COVID-19**

January 29, 2020

**Is Your Health Care Organization at Risk? Microsoft Ends Support for Windows 2007**

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