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Joe is a health care and corporate attorney. He regularly advises health care clients, including physician groups, ambulatory surgery centers, and hospitals on a range of complex transactional, operational, and regulatory issues. He frequently counsels clients on compliance and operational issues related to HIPAA, the Anti-Kickback Statute, physician self-referral laws (Stark), the False Claims Act, and internal investigations.

As former in-house counsel to a regional health system, Joe understands the unique nature of health care industry transactions, the myriad regulatory issues they can create, and the risks they pose. He has helped clients navigate complicated corporate transactions, mergers, and acquisitions such as hospital and physician group acquisitions, asset purchases, and managed care arrangements. He also has experience with transactions and arrangements unique to the health care industry including working with Accountable Care Organizations (ACOs) and other federal health care program models, provider networks, third party administrators, and joint ventures.

Prior to joining Dinsmore, Joe assisted health care industry startups with formation, corporate governance, and early stage development in The Ohio State University's Entrepreneurial Business Law Clinic. He was a managing editor for *The Ohio State Law Journal*, and he is a veteran of the United States Army.

Services

- Corporate & Transactional
- Health Care Industry

Education

- The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law (J.D., *cum laude*, 2017)
 - Herman Moot Court Competition, Best Brief, 2016
 - OSU Public Service Fellow (2017)
- The Ohio State University (B.A., 2013)
 - Political Science and History

Bar Admissions

- Ohio

Affiliations/Memberships

- American Health Lawyers Association
- Society of Ohio Health Care Attorneys - Board Member
- Columbus Bar Association

Distinctions

- 2020 Columbus Bar Association's Barrister Leadership Program
- 2021 Delaware County Leadership Program

Podcasts

[Preparing for ICE Enforcement: What Health Care Providers and Legal Counsel Need to Know](#)

Publications

January 31, 2025

Preparing for ICE Enforcement: Key Considerations for In-House Counsel

American Health Law Association

October 16, 2023

Preparing for Ohio's hospital license regime: Where are we today and what comes next?

Columbus Business First

September 1, 2023

Ohio Hospital Licensure Status Update

July 25, 2023

FTC and DOJ Take Key Actions with Antitrust Guidance Affecting Healthcare

June 2, 2023

The Supreme Court Clarifies the Meaning of "Knowingly" Under the False Claims Act

March 21, 2023

West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources to be Split – Trisected, Trifurcated, and now, Trilateral

February 8, 2023

DOJ Withdraws Key Healthcare Antitrust Enforcement Guidance: Where to Go From Here?

October 17, 2022

Recent Court Decision Provides Reminder That Resignation Does Not Terminate Investigation nor Reporting Obligations

American Health Law Association

April 19, 2022

What Ohio's 'Surprise Billing' Ban Means For Providers
Law360

March 21, 2022

Surprise! The No Surprises Act Changes Again

February 4, 2022

Ohio Department of Insurance Adds Toolkit to Help with New Surprise Billing Rule

February 2022

"A Silver Lining – Reassess, Innovate, and Seek New Relationships"
AHLA Connections

October 13, 2021

Opaque Price Transparency Requirements for Payors and Providers

July 8, 2021

Don't Be Caught by Surprise: HHS Issues First Regulations Related to Surprise Billing

January 5, 2021

Stark Law: Clarification of Key Terms

June 4, 2020

CARES Act Provider Relief Fund – Part 2

April 24, 2020

CARES Act Provider Relief Fund: The Next \$70 Billion