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Austin Shepard provides his clients with practical advice on matters regarding health care industry transactions and regulatory compliance. Austin's experience with regulatory compliance matters includes advising clients on issues related to the federal Anti-Kickback Statute, Stark Law, state fraud and abuse laws, corporate practice of medicine, and certificate of need and other state law facility licensure and regulation.

Prior to joining Foley, Austin was an associate at an international law firm where he represented an array of health care entities, including hospitals and health systems, national surgery center management companies, private equity-backed physician practice platforms, and physician practices.

Representative Experience

- Represents health system with sophisticated specialty pharmacy in various matters related to pharmacy contracting and regulatory compliance.
- Represents multiple health systems and other institutional clients in matters related to clinical and supply chain contract management and advise on regulatory implications of same, as applicable.
- Advises health system clients on various fraud and abuse matters, including Stark Law implications of provider compensation models.*
- Represented a private equity-backed physician practice platform in platform growth and development through acquisition of physician practices in various states.*
- Advised industry client on preparation of request for an advisory opinion for submission to the Office of Inspector General.*

*Matter handled prior to joining the firm.

Sectors

- Health Care & Life Sciences
- Providers of Health Care Services



Practice Areas

- Corporate
- Health Care

Education

- University of Virginia School of Law (J.D., 2019)
- University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (B.A., 2015)

Admissions

- Virginia
- Not Admitted in North Carolina; practicing under the supervision of a member of the North Carolina Bar pursuant to Rule 5.5(e).