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PRACTICES

- Health Care Fraud and Abuse
- False Claims Act and Whistleblower Litigation
- Government Contracts
- Business Litigation

EDUCATION

- Syracuse University, J.D., Editor, Syracuse Journal of International Law and Commerce
- University of Missouri-St. Louis, B.A., summa cum laude

ADMISSIONS

- United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit
- United States District Court, Eastern District of Missouri

AFFILIATIONS

- ABA, Litigation, Health Law, Public Contracts and Litigation Sections, Health Care Fraud Subcommittee
- St. Louis Health Lawyers Association
- American Health Lawyers Association, Physician Practice Group, Editor, Monthly Updates
- Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis
- Healthcare Business Women's Association, Secretary and Board Member, 2011
- Missouri Organization of Defense Lawyers
- Missouri Society of Health Care Attorneys, Board Member, 2011

Claire advocates for clients in the areas of health care fraud and abuse, False Claims Act litigation and other complex white-collar civil litigation.

Drawing upon her 14-year history with the Department of Justice and service as a Civil Chief, Claire represents and advises health care providers, registrants under the Controlled Substances Act and government contractors. Claire enjoys guiding physician groups, hospitals, pharmaceutical groups and others through the maze of complex and overlapping government regulatory schemes and assisting with the resolution of compliance concerns.

Claire currently serves as the court-appointed Receiver for the Acartha Group entities in litigation instituted by the SEC in the Eastern District of Missouri. Claire has handled federal equity Receivership work for Small Business Investment Companies throughout her career.

Claire has been selected for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Health Care Law, since 2014.

Recognitions

- Listed in "The Best Lawyers in America"®, 2014-Present
- 2014 Distinguished Alumni Award, University of Missouri-St. Louis
- Department of Justice Director's Award for Superior Performance
- Federal Bureau of Investigation Merit Award
- Department of Health and Human Services Inspector General's Integrity Award
- Chief Postal Inspector Award
- Department of Housing and Urban Development Merit Award
- Drug Enforcement Administration Certificate of Achievement
- Office of the United States Attorney, Eastern District of Missouri Special Achievement awards
- United States Department of Agriculture Certificate of Achievement

EMPLOYMENT

- Thompson Coburn LLP Partner, 2007-Present
- Private Practice 2006-2007
- Office of the United States Attorney, Eastern District of Missouri Civil Chief, 2004-2005
Assistant US Attorney, 1991-2004
- Small Business Administration Chief Counsel, 1987-1991
Trial Attorney, 1985-1987

COMMUNITY

- University of Missouri-St. Louis, Member, College of Arts & Sciences Dean's Leadership Council
- Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Metropolitan St. Louis, Member, Board of Directors
- Casa de Salud St. Louis, Member, Board of Directors, Volunteer
- Legal Services of Eastern Missouri, Volunteer
- Skinker Heights Neighborhood Association, Trustee

- Small Business Administration General Counsel's Award of Legal Excellence

Presentations

- "Recent Developments on Damages and Penalties"; 10th National Institute on the Civil False Claims Act and Qui Tam Enforcement, June 2014
- "The Heat is On"; Missouri Bar Health and Hospital Law Subcommittee, May 2010
- "Government Investigations and Compliance"; Illinois State Bar Healthcare Subcommittee, April 2009
- "How to Prevent the FBI from Knocking on Your Door"; Joseph Flynn Lectureship, January 2009
- "The 2009 Office of Inspector General Work Plan"; American Association of Healthcare Administrative Management, December 2008
- "An Insider's Perspective On Health Care Investigations (Internal Investigations, Voluntary Disclosure and the Civil False Claims Act)"; Thompson Coburn, September 2008
- "The Nursing Home Transparency and Improvement Act of 2008, The Fairness in Nursing Home Arbitration Act"; Missouri Association of Homes For The Aged, August 2008
- "Can Your Joint Venture Survive The Scrutiny Of A Government Investigation?"; American Bar Association, National Institute on Health Care Fraud, May 2008
- "Insights and Updates Regarding the Civil False Claims Act"; Thompson Coburn, May 2008
- "Health Care Fraud and False Claims Act litigation"; Corporate training
- "Fraud and Compliance Forum"; American Health Lawyers Association, October 2005
- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Regional Training; April 2005
- National and local fraud training sessions; United States Department of Justice
- "Bio-Terrorism and Forensic Epidemiology Seminar"; December 2003
- Workers' Compensation Fraud Training; United States Postal Service, May 2002
- "Trial Practice" demonstration; Keynote Presentation, ABA National Institute on Health Care Fraud, June 2001