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CAPABILITIES

Digital Health
Reproductive Health
False Claims Act
Compliance
Government Investigations
Administrative Law

EDUCATION

University of Maryland
Francis King Carey School of
Law, J.D., 2023
University of Maryland, B.S.,
magna cum laude, 2019
University of Maryland, B.A.,
cum laude, 2019

BAR ADMISSIONS

Washington, D.C., 2024
Maryland, 2023

"I concentrate on the regulatory and enforcement issues that influence how care is delivered. My goal is to turn those complexities into practical guidance that strengthens providers' work and advances access to care."

With an academic and professional focus illustrative of her passion for public health policy, Sheryl Xavier works at the intersection of health policy and administrative law.

Sheryl represents health care providers and provider associations in complex federal and state matters involving the Administrative Procedure Act, False Claims Act, Anti-Kickback Statute, constitutional claims, and federal and state privacy laws. Her practice focuses on government investigations and challenges to agency action and regulatory enforcement, particularly in matters concerning Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement.

Sheryl manages cases from strategy through resolution, including dispositive motion practice, fact and expert discovery involving large-scale document review, and development of briefing strategy in high-stakes regulatory disputes. She has appeared in matters before both trial and appellate courts and regularly analyzes emerging federal and state legislation, agency rulemaking, and regulatory guidance. She has written and presented on developments in Medicaid enforcement, reproductive health law, and health data privacy.

In addition to her provider-side litigation practice, Sheryl represents individual clients in civil protection proceedings and advises nonprofit organizations on compliance with federal and state statutory and regulatory requirements. She earned her J.D., with a certificate in Law & Health Care, from the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law, where she was a Merit Scholar and served as Notes and Comments Editor of the Journal of Health Care Law and Policy.

Recognition

- Best Lawyers, Ones to Watch, Health Care Law, 2026
- The Burton Awards for Legal Achievement, Law360 Distinguished Legal Writing Award, 2026

Professional Affiliations

- American Bar Association
- Leadership Council on Legal Diversity

News

- Three HLB Lawyers Win Distinguished Legal Writing Award by the Burton Foundation
- HLB Selects Kerry Sakimoto and Sheryl Xavier for 2026 LCLD Pathfinder Program
- Mark Reagan Quoted in McKnight's Long-Term Care News Article
- HLB Lawyers Published in Reuters Practical Law, The Journal
- 35 HLB Attorneys Receive Recognition by Best Lawyers in America 2026
- HLB Lawyers Published in Reuters
- HLB Lawyers Published in Thomson Reuters Westlaw Today
- HLB Lawyers Published in Reuters, "Medicaid coverage for abortion continues to evolve with ongoing litigation"
- Sheryl Xavier Authored "Early Career Professionals—So, You Want to be a Health Care Attorney? A Primer on Health Law Practice Areas"
- Sheryl Xavier, Andrea Frey and Stephen Phillips Published in Reuters and Westlaw Today
- HLB Article Republished in Thomson Reuters Westlaw Today
- Emily Brinkman, Rachel Zacharias, Aneliese Castro and Sheryl Xavier Published in Reuters and Westlaw Today
- David Schumacher, Paul Garcia and Sheryl Xavier Published in Thomson Reuters Westlaw Today
- HLB Welcomes Associates Sheryl Xavier and Aneliese Castro

Insights

- HLB's Health Equity Essentials Blog
- DOJ Files FCA Complaint Against Vohra Wound Physicians
- The AI Landscape: California and other State Legislative Efforts to Regulate Use of AI in Health Care
- Appellate Court Issues Important FCA/AKS Decision Requiring Whistleblowers to Show That Defendants Acted with Knowledge of Unlawful Action
- California Signs into Law Legislative Package Expanding Access and Protections for Reproductive and Gender-Affirming Health Care