

Hooper, Lundy & Bookman Strengthens Medical Staff Capabilities with Former Government Litigator

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Hooper, Lundy & Bookman announced today that [Emily L. Brinkman](#) has joined the firm's Litigation Department as senior counsel in its San Francisco office. A seasoned criminal and civil litigator, she joins the firm from the Health Quality Enforcement Section of the California Attorney General's Office.



**EMILY L.
BRINKMAN**
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Brinkman's broad experience spans federal, state, criminal, and civil defense work. While at the Attorney General's office, she tried many cases on behalf of several state health care agencies, including the Medical Board of California, the Podiatric Medical Board of California, and Board of Psychology relating to quality of care, unprofessional conduct, sexual misconduct, out-of-state discipline, and petitions for reinstatement/early termination of probation. She advised clients on investigations prior to bringing disciplinary action and provided training to other attorneys within the Health Quality Enforcement section.

Brinkman also served in the Correctional Law Section (CLS) of the Attorney General's Office, where she defended the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation and its employees in civil rights case brought by inmates. While in CLS, Brinkman completed several jury trials (state and federal), all with defense verdicts in favor of her clients. She has also argued twice before the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. Prior to the CLS, she served in the Mendocino County District Attorney's Office both as a Victim Advocate and as a Deputy District Attorney.

"I was drawn to Hooper, Lundy & Bookman's distinctive Medical Staff practice because it considers public and patient safety to be paramount," said Brinkman. "In my new role, I'm pleased that I'll be able to continue to ensure that safety is a priority for patients and Medical Staffs."

Medical Staff Practice co-chair, [Jennifer Hansen](#), said, "Emily is a respected health care litigator who has really done it all – criminal, civil and administrative disputes. Her strong litigation background and experience with the inner-workings of state agencies complements and further strengthens our industry-leading Medical Staff practice. We are so pleased to welcome her and offer our clients the benefit of her expertise."

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