

Hooper, Lundy & Bookman Elevates Alicia Macklin and Emily Brinkman

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Hooper, Lundy & Bookman is pleased to announce that it has offered equity partnership to Alicia Macklin and promoted Emily Brinkman to partner, effective January 1, 2025.

Alicia Macklin (Los Angeles Office) is a member of the Regulatory Department and Co-Chair of both the Behavioral Health Practice Group and the Health Equity Task Force. She is a trusted advisor to a range of inpatient and outpatient behavioral health care providers, along with hospital and health systems. Her work with providers includes advising on licensing and accreditation, Medicare and Medi-Cal reimbursement, federal and state privacy and confidentiality requirements, and operational issues. She also helps California providers navigate voluntary and involuntary treatment under the Lanterman-Petris-Short Act (LPS Act). For her hospital and health system clients, Alicia frequently advises on compliance with the Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act (EMTALA). She also assists these clients in operationalizing changes to the state scope of practice for various allied health professionals. This involves counseling hospitals on medical staff issues, including drafting policies and advising on supervision requirements for allied health professionals, in addition to privacy and confidentiality issues arising during investigations into physician behavior and peer review proceedings.

Emily Brinkman (San Francisco Office) is a member of the Medical Staff Practice Group. Emily has over 20 years of experience as a litigator and 12 years specifically advising healthcare providers and helping them comply with regulatory issues in the state of California. Emily has extensive experience litigating medical staff cases on behalf of hospitals throughout California. She collaborates with medical staff directors and other executives to manage issues regarding physician credentialing and privileging. Emily has represented medical staff in complex, multi-day hearings involving issues ranging from inappropriate behavior towards patients, to quality-of-care issues that result in disciplinary actions, from suspension to termination of privileges/credentials. Besides advising medical staffs, using her 8 years of experience in representing the health care licensing boards, Emily also represents individual licensed providers before their respective licensing boards, from advising and assisting with the investigation to the disciplinary hearing itself. She assists in the application process of individuals seeking licensure, including post graduate training licenses and petitions for reinstatement. Prior to joining HLB, Emily worked as a Deputy Attorney General in the Health Quality Enforcement Section and the Correctional Law Section of the California Attorney General's Office.

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