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CAPABILITIES

Administrative Law

Compliance

Fraud and Abuse, Stark, Anti-Kickback Counseling and Defense

Litigation, Mediation, Arbitration

Medicare, Medicaid, Other Governmental Reimbursement and Payment

Reproductive Health

Public Agency Law

Research

Medicare and Medicaid Audits, Appeals, and Reimbursement Litigation

Provider and Supplier Operations

Counties, Health Districts, and Public Agencies

Hospitals and Health Systems

Community-Based Clinics

EDUCATION

University of Pennsylvania School of Law, J.D., 2021

University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, M. Bioethics, 2021

Duke University, B.S. *magna cum laude*, Bioethics, Genomics, and Behavioral Neuroscience, *with Distinction*, 2016

BAR ADMISSIONS

Washington, D.C., 2021

“What I enjoy about my work is that obtaining positive results in a given matter can spur positive change in the wider health care landscape.”

Rachel Zacharias is a health care regulatory litigator who understands that the matters she works on are not only of critical importance to her clients but can also have broader legal, regulatory, and policy impacts on providers and patients alike. She represents providers and other clients in a wide range of disputes, focusing on trial and appellate litigation, administrative proceedings, and other matters involving Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement, administrative law, antitrust, ERISA, and other issues where the concerns of her clients intersect with health care policy and regulations. Drawing from her training and research experience in bioethics, Rachel also advises clients in issues regarding medical ethics and consent, withdrawal of care, patient privacy, clinical research, organ donation, health equity, and reproductive health.

Her creative advocacy and well-honed research skills serve her clients particularly well at the appellate level, where her work has included submissions to the United States Supreme Court and multiple federal circuit courts of appeals.

Rachel has been committed to improving health care equity, ethics, and accessibility since the start of her career. Prior to her legal career, Rachel's academic and professional endeavors centered on bioethics and health policy matters, including work at the bioethics research institute, The Hastings Center. She is a prolific and respected writer and presenter on legal, ethical, and policy issues in reproductive justice, genomic and genetic privacy and technologies, neuroscience, and health care access and equity. Rachel's past health care law, policy, and equity efforts include serving as a law clerk for the United States Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, as well as working with the New York Legal Assistance Group's Medical Legal Partnership and Women's Law Project in Philadelphia, where she focused on issues of health, employment, and civil rights law.

Rachel earned a J.D. and Masters in Bioethics from the University of Pennsylvania and a Bachelor of Science in Bioethics, Genomics, and Neuroscience from Duke University. During law school, she served as an Arthur Littleton student teaching fellow for first year Legal Practice Studies, an Articles Editor for the *University of Pennsylvania Journal of Law and Social*

Change, and a teaching assistant for Administrative Law. She was awarded the school's Edwin C. Baker Award for her pro bono work in reproductive justice and health law and policy.

Professional Affiliations

- American Health Lawyers Association
- D.C. Bar

News

- Rachel Zacharias and Andrea Frey Published in ABA Health Law, “HHS Finalizes Amendments to HIPAA Privacy Rule to Strengthen Privacy Protections for Reproductive Health Information Post-Dobbs”
- Emily Brodtkin, Taryn Reid, and Rachel Zacharias are Published in the Daily Journal, “Lack of standing fizzles mifepristone challenges...for the moment”
- Emily Brinkman, Rachel Zacharias, Aneliese Castro and Sheryl Xavier Published in Reuters and Westlaw Today
- Alicia Macklin and Rachel Zacharias Published in Reuters and Westlaw Today
- Andrea Frey, Emily Brodtkin and Taryn Reid Published in Reuters, “Understanding standing with Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine v. FDA”

Insights

- Supreme Court Decision Overturns Deference to Agency Interpretations of the Law
- HHS Finalizes Amendments to HIPAA Strengthening Privacy of Reproductive Health Information Post-Dobbs
- HHS Issues Guidance Regarding Informed Consent and Patient Privacy in Medical Training Settings
- Proposed Rule on Remedy to 2018–2022 340B-Acquired Drug Payment Policy Would Reduce Non-Drug Outpatient Payments by 0.5% for 16 Years
- New Vermont Law Extends Temporary Licensure and Registration Options for Out-of-State Providers, Including for Telehealth