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Russell Ramzel is a health care attorney whose practice focuses primarily on regulatory compliance in the healthcare industry and transactional and corporate matters across multiple industries. He represents a range of clients in the health care industry and other regulated industries, including hospital systems, psychiatric hospitals, long-term care facilities, pharmacies, residential child care facilities, and suppliers of health care technologies and services, and other professional entities. Russell works with clients to navigate agency licensure requirements, including residential child care licensing. He regularly advises clients concerning Certificate of Need, the 340B Drug Pricing Program, HIPAA, CHOWs, mergers and acquisitions, formation of corporate entities, corporate compliance and governance, corporate law, electronic health records (EHR) and meaningful use, and fraud and abuse issues such as antikickback and Stark.

Publications

What You Need to Do if You Received Money from HHS (2020)

American Health Lawyers Association, Health Law Watch (2020), Proposed Changes to Stark and Anti-Kickback Rules May Spur Care Coordination; Kathryn S. Burnett and Russell C. Ramzel

American Health Lawyers Association, Corporate Practice of Medicine: A Fifty State Survey (Second Edition, 2020); Oklahoma Section; Elise Dunitz Brennan and Russell C. Ramzel

American Health Lawyers Association, State Health Care Fraud Law: An AHLA 50-State Survey (2018); Oklahoma Section; Elise D. Brennan and Russell C. Ramzel

PRACTICES

- Business Formation and Organization
- Corporate and Securities
- Corporate Compliance and Board Governance
- Health Care
- Healthcare Business Transactions
- Healthcare Regulatory Matters
- Mergers & Acquisitions

INDUSTRIES

- Health Care
- Medical Cannabis

EDUCATION

- University of Tulsa, J.D., with highest honors, 2012
- University of Arkansas, B.A., *summa cum laude*, 2004

ADMISSIONS

- Oklahoma - 2012

American Health Lawyers Association, *Journal of Health & Life Sciences Law: Examining Covert Kickbacks: The OIG Carve-our Rule* (2017); Featured Articles; Russell C. Ramzel

"Environmental Review of Permitted Pollution," *Energy Law Journal*, Vol. 32, No. 2, 2011

"2010-2011 National Health Law Moot Court Competition: Best Brief," *Journal of Legal Medicine*, Vol. 32, No. 4, 2012

Experience

Corporate restructure of residential child care facility+

Corporate restructure of professional engineering corporation to obtain licenses to practice in multiple states and begin practicing land surveying

Obtain Certificate of Need for life-care continuing care retirement community

Represent buyer in purchase of hospital in asset acquisition

Represent seller in sale of group practice to hospital system

Represent buyer in asset acquisition of psychiatric residential treatment facility

Draft resident agreements for life-care continuing care retirement community

Draft Business Associate Agreement and HIPAA policies and procedures for health care service web-based supplier

Represent defendant hospital concerning issues involving EHR system

Represent buyer of equity related to psychiatric and rehabilitation hospital

Obtain certificate of need for the establishment of a new psychiatric hospital

Obtain certificates of need for the acquisition of psychiatric hospital and of nursing homes

Represent buyer in purchase of physician group practice

Represent multiple buyers in acquisitions of ambulatory surgery center, both equity and asset purchase

Form multiple entities, including required filings, drafting bylaws and operating agreements, across multiple industries

Represent Oklahoma public trusts related to public trust issues, in transactions, related to open meeting request, and related to open record request matters

Represent hospitals in various debt refinancings

Represent clients in CMS proceedings

Represent clients in relation to Oklahoma Medicaid Audits

Represent clients in relation to licensure and other issues governed by the Oklahoma State Department of Health

Represent clinical laboratories related to CLIA and CMS compliance and transactional matters

Corporate advice and licensing advice regarding the structuring of medical marijuana clients

Honors & Recognitions

Listed in *The Best Lawyers of America*® for Health Care Law (2025)

Recognized by *Chambers & Partners USA* as a Top Oklahoma Healthcare Lawyer (Band 3), 2021 - present

Recognized on the list of *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch*® in America for Administrative/Regulatory Law; Corporate Governance and Compliance Law; and Health Care Law, 2020 - 2024

Rising Star by *Super Lawyers*, 2020-Present

Editor-in-Chief, Energy Law Journal, 2011-2012

Order of the Curule Chair

Order of the Barristers

Phi Delta Phi

Phi Beta Kappa

Community & Professional

American Health Lawyers Association

American Bar Association

Oklahoma Bar Association

Oklahoma Bar Association Health Law Section (2012-Present)

President, Oklahoma Bar Association Health Law Section

Past President (2020-2021), Oklahoma Health Lawyers Association (OHLA)

Tulsa County Bar Association

Board Member, TU Law Alumni Board

Board Member, TU Board of Advocates Board of Directors

News

58 Conner & Winters Lawyers Recognized in 2026 Edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*[®]
08.29.2025

29 Attorneys Selected to 2022 Super Lawyers & Rising Stars Lists
11.14.2022

Conner & Winters Wins Oklahoma Access to Justice Foundation Pro Bono Award
11.08.2022

Oklahoma Super Lawyers Names Conner & Winters Attorneys to 2021 Lists
10.21.2021

Eleven Conner & Winters Lawyers Named to Best Lawyers in America[®]: Ones to Watch List
08.19.2021

Conner & Winters Attorneys Honored by Chambers USA 2021
05.26.2021

Oklahoma Super Lawyers Names Conner & Winters Attorneys to 2020 Lists
11.10.2020

Six Conner & Winters Lawyers Named to Inaugural Best Lawyers in America[®]: Ones to Watch List
09.16.2020

Alerts & Publications

Health Care Fraud Law: A 50 State Survey (Second Edition)
American Health Law Association, 12.01.2025

Department of Treasury Suspends Enforcement of CTA Against Domestic Reporting Entities and U.S. Citizens;
New Rules Coming
03.04.2025

Corporate Transparency Act Back in Effect: Updated Deadline of March 21, 2025
02.21.2025

Trump Administration Appeals Current Corporate Transparency Act Stay, Reporting Deadline Likely To Be Extended If Stay Is Lifted

02.07.2025

Fifth Circuit Reverses Course, Reinstates Injunction Against Corporate Transparency Act

12.27.2024

The Fifth Circuit Stays Preliminary Injunction Against Enforcement of the Corporate Transparency Act; FinCEN Extends Deadlines

12.24.2024

Texas Judge Issues Preliminary Injunction Against Corporate Transparency Act

12.04.2024

Corporate Transparency Act Filing Deadline Approaching on January 1, 2025

11.22.2024

AHLA Corporate Practice of Medicine: A 50 State Survey (Third Edition)

American Health Law Association, 05.2024

The Corporate Transparency Act

12.01.2023

What You Need to Do if You Received Money from HHS

04.22.2020

ELISE BRENNAN AND RUSSELL RAMZEL ASSIST AHLA IN PUBLISHING SECOND EDITION OF *CORPORATE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE: A 50 STATE SURVEY*

01.30.2020

Examining Covert Kickbacks: The OIG Carve-out Rule

OFFICIAL JOURNAL OF AMERICAN HEALTH LAWYERS ASSOCIATION, 10.18.2017