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Ethics Lecturer



February 15, 2013 | 12:00pm Lakewood I / II Room

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Physician Peer Review and Credentialing: the Good, the Bad, and the Ugly

Karin M. Zaner will speak as the Ethics Lecturer at the 2013 North Texas Chapter of the American College of Surgeons Annual Meeting in Dallas on February, 15, 2013. Her presentation, Physician Peer

Review and Credentialing: The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly, explores the difficult issues facing physicians in the current practice (and business) of medicine. In a lively presentation, Ms. Zaner will provide real world tips for physicians who conduct peer review, as well tips for avoiding peer review and dealing with the focus of peer review. Ms. Zaner will also discuss best practices and various reporting consequences that can result from peer review and credentialing.

KARIN M. ZANER practices in the Litigation Section at Kane Russell Coleman & Logan in Dallas, where she is a director. Her experience includes litigation of general business and commercial disputes before both state and federal trial courts, but she now focuses mainly on health care law. She was introduced to medical peer review law through her representation of Dr. Lawrence Poliner, which began in 1999. Dr. Poliner's federal court lawsuit for malicious peer review was filed in May 2000, and the case was tried before a jury in August 2004, resulting in a verdict that totaled over \$366 million. When the trial court's judgment in the Poliner case was reversed by the Fifth Circuit in July 2008, Ms. Zaner wrote the petition for certiorari to the United States Supreme Court. Ms. Zaner now represents various clients (mainly physicians and physician groups) in a variety of health care matters, including those relating to peer review, credentialing, physician employment, practice disputes, as well as Texas Medical Board issues.

Ms. Zaner attended the University of Texas at Austin and received a B.A. in 1991 with special honors in the Plan II Honors Program. She was named a Dean's Distinguished Graduate for the School of Liberal Arts and is a member of the Friar Society, the University's oldest honorary society, established in 1911. She attended the University of Texas School of Law and received her J.D. in 1994. She resides in Dallas with her husband and young daughter.