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## PRACTICES

Medical Malpractice Defense

Professional Liability Defense Services

## EDUCATION

Wayne State University Law School (J.D., 2012)

University of Michigan (B.A., 2009)

## ATTORNEY

Ashley Quackenbush is a shareholder who focuses her practice on medical malpractice defense litigation. Ashley represents hospitals, doctors, nurses and other healthcare providers and institutions throughout the state in all stages of litigation, licensing investigation and other disciplinary action. She also represents Medical Control Authorities throughout the appeals process and counseling them with respect to compliance with protocols.

Prior to joining Smith Haughey, Ashley gained substantial experience in complex personal injury cases, including medical malpractice, gas and electric public utility accidents and ski area liability in the Detroit, Michigan area. She spearheaded litigation strategies for high-exposure cases and obtained dismissal of multiple claims. In addition, Ashley has spoken at numerous medical legal seminars regarding topics in medical malpractice litigation, hospital risk management, and Medical Control Authority protocols.

Ashley earned her J.D. from Wayne State University Law School. During her time there, she was on Moot Court, wherein she won the Best Brief Award. She also founded the Health Law Association. While at Wayne State, she served as a law clerk for the University of Michigan Health System Legal Office and a research assistant focusing on health law issues. Ashley earned her B.A. in Psychology with a Minor in Crime and Justice from the University of Michigan. There she graduated with University Honors and was a James B. Angell Scholar.

In her spare time, Ashley enjoys spending time with family and friends. When she is not soaking up the beautiful outdoors, she enjoys a good book.

## ADMITTED

State Bar of Michigan, 2013

United States District Court, Eastern District of Michigan, 2013

United States District Court, Western District of Michigan, 2014

## NOTEWORTHY

Listed as a Best Lawyers "Ones to Watch" (2023, 2024) - Health Care Law

Grand Rapids Magazine "Top Lawyer" (2022-2023) - Medical Malpractice Law

Listed as a "Rising Star" in Michigan Super Lawyers (2022-2023) - Personal Injury Medical Malpractice: Defense

Selected as an "Up and Coming Lawyer" by Michigan Lawyers Weekly (2020)

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

State Bar of Michigan - Health Care Law, Young Lawyers, Negligence Law Sections

Grand Rapids Bar Association

Michigan Society of Healthcare Risk Management

American Public Health Association (APHA) Policy Committee and Healthcare Policy Workgroup

## COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

Emerging Philanthropists, United Way for Southeastern Michigan

Mentor, Wayne State University Law School

## PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

Associate Attorney, Sullivan, Ward, Asher, & Patton, P.C.

Law Clerk, Sullivan, Ward, Asher, & Patton, P.C.

Law Clerk, University of Michigan Health System Legal Office