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Tom Curtis is Co-Chair of Nossaman's Healthcare Group. For more than 40 years, he has represented clients in the healthcare sector on a wide range of issues including, medical staff peer review proceedings, licensing proceedings, writ proceedings, State and Federal Court civil litigation, and related appellate proceedings. Tom represents hospitals, health systems, health plans, medical staffs, medical groups, ambulatory surgery centers, and other healthcare providers on regulatory and compliance issues and the development of long range plans.

Tom is a Life Fellow of the American Bar Foundation. This recognition is limited to one third of one percent of lawyers licensed to practice in each jurisdiction. Members are nominated by Fellows in their jurisdiction and elected by the Board of the American Bar Foundation. Tom has repeatedly been recognized as a Super Lawyer in healthcare law. He has served on the teaching faculty for The Joint Commission and as Editor-In-Chief of the California Physician's Legal Handbook.

He was individually recognized for Healthcare in California by Chambers USA in 2021, and he is an AV Preeminent® Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell attorney. He is also a frequent lecturer and author on current health law issues.

INSIGHTS

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Speaker, "Pharmacy Ethics and Professionalism (PE-22)," PBI Education, April, June, August & December 2020

Speaker, "Medical Staff Bylaws," California Ambulatory Surgery Association and Nossaman LLP's Managing the ASC Medical Staff, Los Angeles, CA, 03.05.2020

Speaker, "Fair Hearings, 805 Reporting and the Consequences," California Ambulatory Surgery Association and Nossaman LLP's Managing the ASC Medical Staff, Los Angeles, CA, 03.05.2020

PUBLICATIONS

Co-Author, "Physician Integration - Whether it be Clinical or Otherwise: Perhaps it is Time to Focus on the Physicians," *South Florida Hospital News and Healthcare Report*, 01.01.2022

Co-Author, "Behaviors that Undermine a Culture of Safety, Policies and Procedures for Medical Staffs and Medical Groups," *California Public Protection and Physician Health Guidelines*, 03.2017

Editor-in-Chief, "California Physician's Legal Handbook," *California Medical Association*, 2007-2008

Editor, "Treatise on Health Care Law, Chapter Six, "The Medical Staff"," *Matthew Bender Publishing Company*, 1991-1995

HONORS & RECOGNITIONS

Chosen for individual recognition for Healthcare in California by *Chambers USA*, 2021

American Bar Foundation, Life Fellow

AV Preeminent[®] Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell

Selected to the Southern California Super Lawyers list, 2004-2006, 2008-2013

COMMUNITY & PROFESSIONAL

American Bar Association, Chair, Health Law Section's Physician Interest Group (2008-2010)

American Health Lawyers Association, Member

American Society of Medical Association Counsel, Member

California Academy of Attorneys for Healthcare Professionals, Member

California Public Protection & Physician Health, Inc., Advisory Attorney to the California Physician Wellbeing Committees

California Society for Healthcare Attorneys, Member

La Canada-Flintridge City Council Member (1980-1985); Mayor Pro Tem, La Canada-Flintridge (1984); Mayor, La Canada-Flintridge (1985)

PRACTICES

Health Law

Peer Review

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Ambulatory Surgery Centers

EMTALA

Healthcare Fraud & Abuse

Litigation

INDUSTRIES

Healthcare

Hospitals, Health Facilities, Medical Staffs & Foundations

Medical Groups

EDUCATION

Georgetown University Law Center, J.D., 1974

Santa Clara University, B.S., 1971, *Ryland Prize*, 1968-1971; *Foch Medal*, 1968-1971

ADMISSIONS

California

U.S. Supreme Court

U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit

U.S. District Court, Central District of California

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of California

U.S. District Court, Northern District of California

U.S. District Court, Southern District of California