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Roger Hillman focuses his practice on litigation and administrative proceedings on behalf of health care providers and medical professionals. His clients include physicians, hospitals, clinical laboratories, extended care providers, alternative healthcare providers such as chiropractors and naturopaths, as well as nonmedical professionals. In addition, Mr. Hillman has represented healthcare and other employers in matters such as wrongful termination, enforcement of covenants not to compete, and wage and hour claims, the latter involving extensive class action representation.

Mr. Hillman has spoken on a wide range of healthcare, employment and litigation topics, and has conducted seminars on risk management. These include presentations to the International Academy of Cytopathology, the Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel, the faculty of Bastyr University, the Washington Defense Trial Lawyers, and the Washington State Bar Association.

In addition to his legal experience, Mr. Hillman has 12 years of experience as a senior vice president of claims for national insurance carriers. He has also served as an expert witness and consulted on a wide variety of insurance issues.

Representative Cases

- Recovery of \$6.1 million and forgiveness of \$14 million for 28 hospitals in Washington State against DSHS which has wrongly applied audit rules
- Reversal of Washington Department of Revenue ruling that payment to hospitals under federal CHAMPUS program were subject to B&O tax
- Reversal of findings of neglect against provider of in-home care to developmentally disabled adults
- Defense verdict on behalf of Nurse Practitioner in failure to diagnose pseudo tumor cerebri case
- Defense verdict on behalf of clinical laboratory in wrongful termination for refusal to submit to random drug testing case
- Dismissal of abuse finding against employer of developmentally disabled adults

Services

- ▶ Healthcare

- ▶ Healthcare Litigation
- ▶ Professional Liability Litigation
- ▶ Labor and Employment Litigation
- ▶ Insurance Coverage Litigation
- ▶ Commercial Litigation

Industries

- ▶ Healthcare
- ▶ Financial Services
- ▶ Manufacturing and Distribution
- ▶ Litigation and Dispute Resolution

Education

- ▶ University of Michigan Law School, J.D., 1969
- ▶ Tufts University, B.A., 1966

Admissions

- ▶ United States Supreme Court, 1998
- ▶ U.S. Court of Appeals, 9th Circuit, 1996
- ▶ U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Washington, 1993
- ▶ U.S. District Court, Western District of Washington, 1989
- ▶ Washington, 1989
- ▶ New Jersey, 1969
- ▶ U.S. District Court, New Jersey, 1969

Professional Recognition

- ▶ Martindale-Hubbell AV/5.0 Peer Review Rated
- ▶ Named a "Top Lawyer" for Medical Malpractice in *Seattle Met* magazine, 2010
- ▶ Listed in Martindale-Hubbell Bar Register of Preeminent Lawyers for Commercial Litigation, 2010

Professional Activities

- ▶ Member, Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel
- ▶ Member, Washington State Bar Association
- ▶ Member, King County Bar Association
- ▶ Member, Washington Defense Trial Lawyers Association
- ▶ Member, Washington Health Care Risk Management Society
- ▶ Member, Defense Research Institute
- ▶ Past Member, Pacific Claims Executive Association

Events

- ▶ "Healthcare Risk Management," Washington Healthcare Risk Management Society, Seattle, WA, October 29, 2010
- ▶ "Charting and Risk Management," Washington Ambulatory Surgery Center Association, Seattle, WA, April 29, 2010
- ▶ "Risk Management for Massage Therapists," Bastyr University, Kenmore, WA, November 18, 2007
- ▶ "Defending Alternative Healthcare Practitioners," Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel, Fairmont Scottsdale Princess, Scottsdale, AZ, March 1, 2007

Publications

- ▶ "Public Hospital Districts and Non-Healthcare Related Tort Claims for Damages: Is Your District Meeting All of the Requirements?," Garvey Schubert Barer Legal Update, April 28, 2011.
- ▶ "The Washington Supreme Court Allows Private Lawsuits Against Health Care Providers Who Do Not Report Suspected Child Abuse," Garvey Schubert Barer Legal Update, February 2011.