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OVERVIEW

Allison J. Becker is the Managing Partner of the firm's Raleigh Office and the Co-Chair of the National Healthcare Practice Group. She brings a wealth of experience in high-stakes litigation, with a particular focus on representing healthcare companies and providers in high-exposure cases, class actions, and multi-plaintiff litigation. Her practice combines strategic insight with practical, results-driven advocacy, allowing her to effectively navigate complex legal challenges on behalf of healthcare providers and corporate clients alike.

With years of experience managing a broad range of litigation matters, Allison has successfully defended

clients through all phases of litigation—from pre-suit strategy through trial. Her clients value her ability to analyze risks, craft efficient legal solutions, and maintain a sharp, responsive approach under pressure.

She has built a reputation for strong, ethical advocacy and personalized client service, positioning her clients for optimal outcomes. Allison’s practice reflects her commitment to excellence, practical guidance, and a client-focused approach to navigating today’s most complex legal landscapes. Allison has been recognized as one of the *Best Lawyers in America* for professional malpractice defense and by *Business North Carolina Magazine* as one of the Legal Elite in litigation and appellate practice. She has tried cases to verdict in both North Carolina and Virginia and argued before the North Carolina Supreme Court and the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

Healthcare

Allison’s healthcare practice involves defending providers against all manner of claims—including allegations of constitutional violations, whistleblower and qui tam claims, and malpractice matters involving catastrophic injury, birth injury, and wrongful death. Her proactive and strategic counsel ensures that her clients are well-positioned to navigate the complexities of these unique cases. In addition, Allison represents her healthcare clients before medical, dental, nursing, and mental health licensing boards.

Allison has extensive experience defending correctional medical, dental, and mental health providers across the country against Section 1983 deliberate indifference claims and is frequently invited to speak and publish on this topic. She also provides advice and counsel to her correctional healthcare clients to help them avoid litigation, as well as assists them with compliance and litigation in connection with consent decrees and court ordered implementation plans. Her understanding of the nuanced issues facing correctional and institutional healthcare providers enables her to offer both legal counsel and proactive risk management strategies tailored to their unique challenges.

Professional Liability Defense

Allison defends claims against professionals across a wide range of industries, including healthcare providers, veterinarians, accountants, architects, engineers, attorneys, insurance agents and brokers, directors and officers, and real estate agents. She also represents homeowners’ associations and property management companies in high exposure premises and professional liability cases. Allison is dedicated to providing robust defense strategies and comprehensive legal support to her clients, ensuring their professional integrity and interests are protected. She also advises and represents her clients in connection with professional licensing board investigations and inquiries.

Class Action Defense

Allison routinely defends her clients in class action and multi-plaintiff cases in various state and federal courts. Her experience encompasses a wide range of claims, including inmate civil rights and

confinement condition cases, intricate commercial disputes, mass torts, and high-stakes data privacy lawsuits. Her strategic, results-driven advocacy ensures robust protection for her clients in these challenging and fast paced matters. She is proficient in handling complex eDiscovery projects, including retaining and collaborating with vendors, designing document review protocols, implementing quality control measures, and overseeing document production processes. Her strategic approach to eDiscovery ensures streamlined workflows and cost-effective solutions, allowing clients to navigate the complexities of class action discovery with confidence.

Appellate

Allison handles appellate matters—including briefing and oral argument—for a wide variety of clients before the North Carolina Court of Appeals, the North Carolina Supreme Court, and Federal Courts of Appeals across the country. She also provides appellate advice to outside defense counsel prior to and during trial in order to identify potential appellate concerns and to ensure that all issues are properly preserved for appeal.

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Obtained summary judgment in favor of an insurance agency in a case alleging negligent failure to procure coverage for COVID-19 related business interruption claims.
- Obtained complete dismissal of class action lawsuit alleging wage and hour violations against prominent livestock husbandry operation.
- Obtained defense verdict in favor of pain management physician in a case alleging negligent recommendation and placement of a spinal cord stimulator.
- Represented dozens of farmers in multiparty federal mass tort litigation involving nuisance claims by neighboring property owners.
- Represented private construction company in multiparty mass tort litigation involving thousands of claims made by emergency workers arising out of the debris removal operations following the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

PUBLICATIONS

- Author, The Legal Implications of Hunger Strikes, *CorrectCare*, Fall 2023 issue, September 2023
- Author, A ‘Deliberate Indifference’ Circ. Split For Prison Medical Cases, *Law360*, August 2023
- Author, The Impact of Stern v. Marshall on Fraudulent Conveyance and Preference Actions, *Construction Accounting and Taxation*, May/June 2013

PRESENTATIONS

- Co-Presenter, *Defensive Documentation*, National Commission on Correctional Healthcare, Spring Conference, April 2024

- Co-Presenter, *Defending Correctional Medical Lawsuits*, National Commission on Correctional Healthcare, Spring Conference, May 2023
- Speaker, *Trends in Jury Selection*, North Carolina Chapter of the American Society for Healthcare Risk Management, Fall Conference, November 2022

CREDENTIALS

Admissions

- New York
- North Carolina
- Virginia
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York
- U.S. District Court, Eastern, Middle, and Western Districts of North Carolina
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Eastern, Middle, and Western Districts of North Carolina
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Virginia
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth and Ninth Circuit

Memberships

- North Carolina State Bar
- Wake County Bar Association
- North Carolina Association of Defense Attorneys, Medical Malpractice Section, Chair
- North Carolina Association of Healthcare Risk Managers
- Virginia State Bar
- Virginia Association of Defense Attorneys
- National Commission on Correctional Healthcare

Education

- J.D., *with honors*, University of Texas School of Law, 2008
- B.A., English, Duke University, 2004

Honors

- *Best Lawyers in America*® distinction in Professional Malpractice Law – Defendants (2024-2025)
- North Carolina Super Lawyers Rising Star – Medical Malpractice: Defense, 2018-2022*
- North Carolina Legal Elite “Young Guns” by Business North Carolina Magazine, 2014, 2017, 2018*
- North Carolina Legal Elite “Litigation” by Business North Carolina Magazine, 2017, 2018, 2023*
- North Carolina Legal Elite “Appellate” by Business North Carolina Magazine, 2021*

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