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Industries

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Health Care
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Education

J.D., Villanova
University School of
Law, 1990

- Staff member, *Villanova Law Review*
- Founding Editor-In-Chief, *Villanova Environmental Law Journal*

B.A., University of
Delaware, 1987

Bar Admissions

Pennsylvania, 1990
New Jersey, 1990
New York, 2000

Karen Palestini’s practice focuses on providing a broad range of business governance, compliance and transactional advice to owners, directors, investors and in-house counsel in a wide variety of industries. Karen has led internal investigations, designed disclosure and response strategies, negotiated settlements, positioned organizational activities in anticipation of litigation, evaluated and executed asset and equity transfers, and implemented complex and comprehensive affiliation arrangements.

While Karen’s experiences span many industry segments, she has been involved in highly-regulated industries – such as healthcare, education, environmental services and life sciences – throughout her career. Karen has been on the buying and selling sides of transactions involving hospitals, surgery centers, medical practices, professional service firms, fitness centers, restaurants, waste facilities, parking garages, equipment suppliers and retail establishments. She has also led cross-disciplinary teams of tax attorneys, IP attorneys, real estate attorneys, employment/benefit attorneys, anti-trust attorneys and industry consultants to effectuate all types and scales of affiliations among health systems, universities, pharmaceutical companies, non-profit organizations and others both domestically and internationally.

Karen has served on the faculties of the AHLA Business Transactions Institute and the PBI Healthcare Law Institute, where she has spoken about ACOs/CINs, payor/provider ventures and various types of transactional and affiliational structures in highly-regulated environments. She has also lectured extensively on state licensure, Stark, Anti-Kickback, False Claims Act, HIPAA, CFIUS (Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States) review and related areas of heightened transactional compliance consideration for business organizations and their executive and management teams.

Professional and Community Activities

- Member, American Health Lawyers Association
- Honorary Trustee, Wills Eye Hospital Glaucoma Service Foundation
- Trustee, Delaware River Recreation Foundation



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Professional Recognition

- Taught courses in Health Care Law, Health Care Transactions Health Care Ethics and Education Law at Seton Hall Law School and St. Joseph's University.
- Served a federal clerkship with the Honorable Joseph L. McGlynn, Jr. of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.