



# Ben Griffith

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**Mergers and acquisitions in the health care industry require a thorough understanding of the complex organizations involved and the regulatory issues they face. Having completed more than 100 acquisitions in this field, including a number of industry-leading transactions, Ben Griffith can anticipate the full range of complications arising in this highly regulated environment. Health care providers turn to him for guidance on the intricacies of some of the largest deals involving specialty medical practices, hospitals and health systems, including those related to valuation, structuring, financing and integration.**

## Knowledge that faces challenges head on

Ben is a highly skilled attorney proficient in health care deals of all sizes and types, with a particular emphasis on representing physician practices and management services organizations in a multitude of medical specialties. With years of experience in the health care sector, Ben works closely with private equity firms and their portfolio companies, independent physician practices, hospitals and health systems to navigate complex transactions, including mergers, acquisitions, joint ventures and strategic partnerships.

Known for his unique combination of corporate and regulatory expertise, Ben offers clients the fluency necessary to both lead a transaction and tackle thorny regulatory issues that arise along the way. Drawing on his prior experience as the General Counsel of one of the largest physician practice management companies in the specialty physician space, Ben understands firsthand the issues that truly matter to clients and brings a pragmatic and strategic approach to getting deals done.

Ben commits a significant portion of his practice to health care regulatory issues related to federal and state fraud and abuse laws as well as federal and state antitrust laws. He has robust experience working on regulatory matters pertaining to the federal Anti-Kickback Statute, Stark Law and False Claims Act. He also advises clients on issues related to the corporate practice of medicine.

## Practices

- Clinical Integration and Managed Care
- Corporate Governance
- Health Care
- Health Care Litigation, Reimbursement and Regulation
- Health Care Regulatory and Compliance
- Health Care Services Private Equity
- Health Care Tax Exempt
- Health Care Transactions
- Health Information Privacy and Security
- Hospital-Physician Relations and Medico-Legal
- Insurance and Health Care Fraud Litigation
- Medicare/Medicaid Reimbursement
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Private Equity

## Industries

- Entrepreneurial Ventures

## Education

- JD, Saint Louis University School of Law, *cum laude*
- BA, Washington University in St. Louis

## Bar Admissions

- Missouri
- Illinois

## Community Involvements

- American Health Law Association (AHLA)
- Illinois Association of Healthcare Attorneys

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In 2023, Ben was named to *The Best Lawyers in America: Ones to Watch* list. The St. Louis Business Journal recognized him for his in-house work in 2015 as a 30 Under 30 Award recipient. While in law school, Ben wrote for the *Saint Louis University Law Journal*. After graduation, he joined the Order of the Woolsack honor society.

## Recognitions

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*Recognized or listed in the following:*

- *Best Lawyers in America*
  - Ones to Watch
    - Corporate Law | Mergers and Acquisitions Law, 2023
    - Health Care Law, 2023
- *St. Louis Business Journal*
  - 30 Under 30, 2015
- *Super Lawyers*
  - Illinois, 2022
- *Super Lawyers Rising Stars*
  - Illinois, 2021
  - Kansas, 2018
  - Missouri, 2018

## News

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- Katten Report Finds Dealmakers Balancing Hope for a Steady Private Equity Market Against Lingering Economic and Policy Uncertainty (April 3, 2025)
- Ben Griffith Rejoins Katten Health Care Team in Chicago (February 3, 2025)
- Katten Attorneys Recognized by *Best Lawyers®* (August 18, 2022)
- Katten Attorneys Named to 2022 Illinois Super Lawyers, Rising Stars Lists (January 28, 2022)
- *The Deal* Highlights Katten Partner Promotions in, M&A, Private Equity and Credit (October 11, 2021)
- Katten Promotes 16 Attorneys to Partner (July 7, 2021)
- Katten Attorneys Chosen for 2021 Illinois Super Lawyers, Rising Stars Lists (January 29, 2021)

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- Coronavirus (COVID-19) Federal and Illinois Health Care Primary Legal Sources (April 27, 2020)

## Publications

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- Katten Launches 2025 Middle-Market Private Equity Report (April 3, 2025)

## Presentations and Events

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- Family Business Through a Legal Lens (April 29, 2025)