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Services and sector groups

- Corporate and Tax
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Privacy and Data Security
- Healthcare and Life Sciences
- Charitable and Nonprofit

Julia concentrates her practice in the areas of healthcare and corporate law.

Her healthcare practice is focused on counseling hospital and health system providers, ambulatory surgical facilities, healthcare professional trade associations, physician groups and other healthcare organizations on various types of healthcare transactions, such as mergers and acquisitions, strategic affiliations, reorganizations, and joint ventures. Julia also provides advice to clients on corporate governance, regulatory compliance and general contractual matters.

As part of her regulatory compliance practice, she routinely advises clients on HIPAA compliance, Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement, and Fraud and Abuse issues, including compliance with Stark and Anti-Kickback laws.

Before joining the firm as a corporate healthcare attorney, Julia worked as a law clerk at Highmark, Inc., where she focused on numerous areas of healthcare and insurance law.

Julia grew up in Brazil until permanently moving to the United States in 2003. While in Brazil, she obtained a Bachelor's degree in Civil Law and successfully undertook the Brazilian Bar Exam. She is fluent in English, Spanish and Portuguese.

Education

- Widener University School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*
- Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, B.A., civil law

Admissions

- Pennsylvania

Recognition

- Healthcare Trailblazer inaugural honoree, City & State Pa., 2024
- Pennsylvania Rising Stars®, 2017, 2018, 2019
- Forty Under 40, 2017
- YWCA Tribute to Women of Excellence Award, 2016
- Select Lawyers, 2015
- Widener Law Minority Alumni Honoree, 2015

Professional and community involvement

- American Health Lawyers Association
- Health Care Compliance Association
- Pennsylvania Bar Association
- Dauphin County Bar Association
- Harristown Development Corporation/Harristown Enterprises, Inc., Board of Directors
- United Way of the Capital Region's Women's Leadership Network
- Widener Law Commonwealth, Dean's Diversity Board
- Dress for Success South Central Pennsylvania/Tied to Success, past vice-chair

Languages

- Portuguese
- Spanish