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Defends health care providers, including physicians, nurses, hospitals, long term care and assisted living facilities, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, pharmacies, and pharmacists at trials, mediations, and arbitrations.

Bio

Amalia V. Romanowicz is Chair of the firm's Professional Liability Defense Department, Principal in its Medical Malpractice Litigation Practice Group, and Member of the firm's Board of Directors. She focuses her practice on the defense of clients, including physicians, nurses, hospitals, long-term care and assisted living facilities, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, pharmacies, and pharmacists, at trials, mediations, and arbitrations involving cases with often catastrophic losses and significant injuries that present substantial exposure.

Ms. Romanowicz is an experienced trial lawyer who has litigated diverse cases in the medical negligence field in jury trials venued in Philadelphia and the surrounding counties. Her over two decades of trial, mediation, and arbitration experience includes a diverse range of cases, including representation of doctors and nurses in cases involving claims of improper medical screening under the Emergency Medical Treatment and Active Labor Act (EMTALA), alleged injuries/death resulting from errors and negligence during the surgical process, and alleged misdiagnosis/failure to diagnose. She has represented pharmacists in cases involving alleged misfills, failure-to-identify, and incorrect packaging that involve catastrophic loss and injury.

She represents clients in most major medical sub-specialties, including emergency medicine, surgery, pathology, radiology, oncology, orthopedics, labor and delivery, and gynecology, among others.

Prior to her career as an attorney, Ms. Romanowicz was a practicing pharmacist for nearly a decade, working for a hospital, and a national retail pharmacy chain. She also managed a major retail pharmacy location overseeing pharmacy and retail operations.

Ms. Romanowicz serves as a member of the Board of Directors for Mission Kids, a Montgomery County, PA-based non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization providing multidisciplinary care to alleged victims of sexual and physical abuse.

Since 2011, Ms. Romanowicz has been recognized as a *Pennsylvania Super Lawyer* (top 5%) by her peers. In 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2016, she was also listed in *Super Lawyers* Business Edition. In its 2022, 2023, and 2024 editions,

Practices

- Medical Malpractice Litigation
- Professional Liability
- Regulated Cannabis
- Health Care Litigation Services
- Professional Licensure
- Alternative Dispute Resolution

Industries

- Pharmaceutical
- Health Care

Education

- J.D., Widener University School of Law, 1992
Moot Court Honor Society
- B.S. in Pharmacy, *Cum Laude*, Northeastern University, 1983

Bar Memberships

- Pennsylvania

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit

Foreign Languages

- Greek

The Best Lawyers in America® recognized Ms. Romanowicz in the category of Professional Malpractice Law - Defendants and was recognized as a "Lawyer of the Year" in 2023 in the same category. For information about these selections and an overview of common third-party publications, rankings, and list methodologies, [click here](#).

Representative Matters

- Secured defense verdict for Emergency Room Physician and Physician Assistant after one-day arbitration in alleged failure to properly treat a wound leading to alleged osteomyelitis and deep tissue infection of leg.
- Secured defense verdict for Internal Medicine Physician after one-day arbitration for alleged failure to properly treat DVT allegedly leading to death from PE.
- Secured defense verdict for hospital at trial in a case involving claims of failure to implement proper interventions for prevention of development of sacral pressure ulcer/deep tissue injury.
- Secured defense verdict for ER physician and ER group at trial in a case involving claims under the wrongful death/survival acts of failure to diagnose and treat sepsis.
- Secured defense verdict for anesthesiologist, certified registered nurse anesthetist, and their employer - an anesthesiology practice group - at trial in a case involving claims of perioperative vision loss during spine surgery.
- Secured defense verdict after two-day arbitration, involving claims of missed signs of perforation in a pelvic and abdominal CT scan following gynecologic surgery.
- Secured defense verdict after one-day arbitration in case involving claims of ischemic injury following urologic surgery.
- Secured summary judgment in medical case claiming the application of *res ipsa loquitur*.
- Secured summary judgment for Philadelphia hospital in medical case on sole claim of ostensible agency involving alleged failed cosmetic surgery.
- Secured defense verdict for radiologist and radiology group at trial in case involving death from pulmonary embolus following alleged failure to diagnose deep vein thrombosis (DVT) on vascular ultrasound.
- Secured defense verdict at trial for surgeon, in Wrongful Death/Survival Acts case involving claims of failure-to-timely-diagnose and treat pancreatitis.
- Secured defense verdict after one-day arbitration in case involving claims against family practice physician of failure to properly treat chronic metabolic syndrome leading to blindness.
- Secured defense verdict after two-day arbitration for psychiatrist in Wrongful Death/Survival Acts case involving claims of improper discharge following mental health examination.
- Secured summary judgment for Philadelphia regional hospital in a case involving claims under the Emergency Medical Treatment and Active Labor Act (EMTALA), 42 U.S.C. § 1395dd, as well as a claim for breach of implied contract under Pennsylvania law involving alleged delayed treatment of ST segment elevation myocardial infarction (STEMI).
- Secured defense verdict for retail pharmacy in an arbitration case involving alleged mis-fill of a prescription diabetes medication.

- Secured dismissals and summary judgment for pharmacy that had contracted with a prison to provide services, in case involving inmate claims of failure-to-fill a prescription in timely manner leading to an asthma attack and fall.

Publications

- Co-Author, "Implications of the Medical Marijuana Law for Health Care Providers, *The Legal Intelligencer's* Life Sciences, Pharmaceuticals, and Health Care Supplement (October 11, 2016)
- Author, "Arbitrating a Medical Malpractice Case in Pa.," *The Legal Intelligencer/Alternative Dispute Resolution Supplement* (January 20, 2015)
- Editorial Board, *Journal of Evidence-Based Dentistry*, Mosby Publisher

Speaking Engagements

- Co-Presenter, "Pressure Injuries and Skin Documentation: A Legal Perspective," Thomas Jefferson University Hospital Grand Rounds (December 7, 2022)
- Co-Presenter, "Preserving Privilege in a Hostile Litigation Environment Post-*Ungurian*," Post & Schell Webinar (May 28, 2020)
- Co-Presenter, "COVID-19 and Telehealth: Guidance for Healthcare Providers," Women of Post & Schell Webinar (May 7, 2020)
- Presenter, "Maximizing Outcomes of Personal Injury Cases," Pennsylvania Bar Institutes (PBI) CLE Seminar, Philadelphia, PA (July 17, 2019)
- Co-Presenter, "Medical Peer Review Protection in Pennsylvania Post-*Reginelli*," Post & Schell CLE Seminar, Philadelphia, PA (June 13, 2018)
- Numerous Presentations at Nursing and Physician Grand Rounds on the topic of "Medical Records Documentation," at Philadelphia suburban hospitals.
- Presenter/educational in service program for suburban assisted living and long-term care facility regarding wound care issues and documentation (August 2014)
- Presenter/guest speaker regarding legal issues in wound care cases (October 2012)
- Presenter/Guest speaker at an Annual RRG Risk Management Symposium on the topic of "Lawsuits Against Healthcare Providers" (April 2012)
- Mock Trial for the annual meeting of The Pennsylvania Association of Nurse Anesthetists, Hershey, PA (April 2007 and May 2012)
- Mock Trial presented to the nursing staff of a local suburban hospital focused on Nursing Documentation (November 2011)
- Presenter, "Health Care Risk Management and Patient Safety Certificate Program", Division of Professional and Continuing Studies, University of Delaware (July 2010)
- Presenter, "Trial of a Medical Malpractice Case," Pennsylvania Bar Institute (PBI), Philadelphia, PA (December 2009)

Affiliations

- Pennsylvania Bar Association
- American Society for Pharmacy Law

- Board of Directors, Mission Kids