

NEAL H. LEWIS

Partner

Neal H. Lewis is a partner in the firm's litigation section. Mr. Lewis works out of the Johnson City, Tennessee office and is licensed to practice in Tennessee, Virginia, and North Carolina. He primarily represents healthcare providers such as physicians, hospitals, long-term care facilities and ancillary providers such as nurses, physical therapists, radiology technicians, and nursing aides.

Mr. Lewis has been involved in hundreds of medical malpractice cases including early investigation and informal resolution, mediation, or trial. He has defended healthcare providers in cases involving a variety of medical issues including birth injury, maternal/fetal mortality, delayed and failure to diagnose cancer, in-patient and out-patient suicide, gastroenterology, cardiology, emergency medicine, and orthopedics. Mr. Lewis has also represented clients in general civil litigation issues including premises liability, contract disputes, certificate of need litigation, and workers compensation issues.

Mr. Lewis lectures on a variety of healthcare and legal topics. He is particularly involved in issues with electronic discovery, technology, social media, and electronic medical records. Mr. Lewis regularly speaks on behalf of professional liability insurance carriers and hospital systems. He works with client in connection with in-service training for physicians and nurses.

Mr. Lewis earned his B.A. in Political Science, from the University of Houston Honors College. He served six years of active duty in the Navy, attending Naval Nuclear Power School and working as an engineering laboratory technician. He earned his J.D., *magna cum laude*, from the University of Richmond T.C. Williams College of Law. While in law school, he was the Editor-in-Chief of the Richmond Journal of Law & Technology, Senior Staff for the Richmond Journal of Global Law and Business, and an Honor Court Justice. Mr. Lewis also served as a teaching assistant for the introductory legal skills class at the University of Richmond and served as a teaching assistant for the University's innovative Medical Malpractice class taught simultaneously to law students and healthcare providers.



Practice Areas

e-Discovery

General Tort, Insurance, and
Product Liability Defense

Medical Malpractice — Long-
Term Care/Assisted Living
Facility

Medical Malpractice Defense

Licensure Workers'
Compensation

Licensure

North Carolina

Tennessee

Virginia

Academic Credentials

University of Houston Honors
College, B.A.

United States Naval Nuclear
Power School

University of Richmond School
of Law, J.D., *magna cum laude*

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Associations and Professional Memberships

American Health Lawyers Association

Defense Research Institute

Virginia Association of Defense Attorneys

Virginia State Bar

Publications

"Respondeat Superior Challenges in Virginia," 36 J. of Civ. Lit. 4, 2025.

"Coming soon to a court near you: Electronic Discovery," 5 Virginia Medical Law Report 37, May 2008.

"Passing the Buck: Cost-Shifting Under the New E-Discovery Rules," E-Discovery, American Bar Association, 2007. Co-author Kathryn E. Kransdorf.

"Interpreting the Oracle: Licensing Modifications, Economics, Safety, Politics, and the Future of Nuclear Power in the United States," 16 Alb. L.J. Sci. & Tech. 27, 2006.

"New Rules for Electronic Discovery, so Now What?: Daubert's Impact on Determining What is not Reasonably Accessible," 10 Computer L. Rev. & Tech J. 239, 2006.

"Nationalizing and Expanding Peer Review Protections: A Look at the Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act of 2005," *Virginia Medical Law Report*, January 2006. Co-author Sean P. Byrne.

Speaking Engagements

"Top Admission Mistakes with Electronically Stored Information" – NBI CLE Series (December 2016)

"Cyberliability, Social Media, and its Impact on Medical Practice" – Physician Presentation (November 2014)

"Know When (and How) to Hold'Em – Patients, Employees, and Security in the Hospital Setting" – Hospital Network Presentation (January 2013)

"Nursing Documentation: Practical Tips from Litigation Experience" – Hospital Network Presentation (October 2012)

"Social Media in Healthcare: Friend or Foe" – Hospital Network Presentation (April 2012)

"Unanticipated Technology Outcomes: When Megabytes Hit the Fan" – Physician Association Presentation (April 2012)

"Pitfalls of Medical Communication: Legal Issues with Informal Consultation" – Hospital Network Presentation (April 2012)