

## GERALD C. CANAAN, II

### Director

Jerry Canaan is a director with the firm and focuses on administrative law, medical staff issues, peer review investigations, dispute resolution, healthcare risk management, regulatory compliance, and the licensing of healthcare providers. He represents individual providers, hospitals, ambulatory surgery centers, pharmacies, and long term care facilities with compliance and licensing matters before state and federal agencies. As a result, he has significant experience with the Board of Medicine, Board of Dentistry, Board of Long-Term Care Administrators, Board of Pharmacy, Board of Nursing, and other regulatory boards under the Virginia Department of Health Professions as well as the HHS Office for Civil Rights, the Drug Enforcement Agency, and other federal agencies. He has been recognized by Virginia's Legal Elite and The Best Lawyers in America. He holds the highest attorney rating (AV) by *Martindale-Hubbell*. He is also a peer review officer, mediator, and arbitrator on the panel of the American Health Lawyers Association.

Mr. Canaan has significant experience representing individual providers who are being investigated by licensing boards, the HHS Office for Civil Rights, the Drug Enforcement Agency, and other Federal agencies. He also provides compliance and risk management advice to healthcare providers with a special emphasis on government investigations and inspections; telemedicine; audits; reporting requirements under State and Federal law; reimbursement disputes; HIPAA; pain management regulations; provider disputes with insurance companies; and peer review/privileging/credentialing disputes. He also spent many years defending malpractice cases and providing government affairs advice to healthcare clients while lobbying the Virginia General Assembly.

Mr. Canaan has represented providers in almost every discrete medical and dental specialty. A representative sample of his cases includes contract disputes; employment disputes; patient deaths; birth injuries; medication administration errors; disruptive and impaired providers; billing/coding disputes; operating room fires; surgical errors; false positive lab results; pain management; improper prescribing; compounding pharmacies; adverse sedation and anesthesia events; and dental malpractice.



### Practice Areas

Long Term Care/Post Acute Care  
Health Regulatory Boards  
HIPAA / Privacy & Security  
Medical Staff Issues  
Physician Services  
Risk Management  
Telemedicine

### Licensure

Virginia

### Academic Credentials

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, B.A.

University of Richmond School of Law, J.D.

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Mr. Canaan is a frequent lecturer on healthcare topics at national, regional, and local conferences, including the AAHPM & HPNA Annual Assembly; NAMSS; the Virginia Chapter of the American College of Physicians Annual Meeting; and the Virginia Osteopathic Medical Association Annual Meeting. His pro bono work includes participation as a speaker in the Educational Forum on Prescription Drug Abuse, a program that teaches providers the medicolegal aspects of prescribing.

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## Associations and Professional Memberships

American Health Lawyers Association

Rx Partnership, Board of Directors

Virginia Bar Association

Virginia State Bar

## Career Highlights

AV Preeminent®, *Martindale-Hubbell*

"Legal Elite," *Virginia Business Magazine*

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