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Elise Brazelton advises healthcare and life sciences clients on matters of regulatory compliance, health care fraud and abuse enforcement, and data privacy and security so their operations hold up under government scrutiny.

Elise brings a distinctive lens to healthcare regulatory work: before practicing law, she served as a Public Health Advisor at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Her background in public health gave her a prevention-focused mindset that shapes how she counsels clients across the healthcare and life sciences industries today.

Elise offers clients specialized knowledge related to government investigations and enforcement actions, with particular depth in health care fraud and abuse laws, including the Stark Law and Anti-Kickback Statute, Medicare and Medicaid requirements, and health care privacy laws. She also provides strategic counsel to clients contemplating, or in the throes of, corporate or operational transactions to ensure the terms of the deal comply with state and federal law and provide adequate protection to the client going forward.

Elise's *pro bono* work includes representation of a local nonprofit that provides unused prescription drugs to individuals who could not otherwise afford them, helping to advance the organization's mission to increase access to health care and decrease medical waste.

Select Experience

- Advised a national health insurer regarding Medicare Advantage requirements and state and federal utilization management regulations in connection with the client's artificial intelligence solution and inquiries from state and federal regulators.
- Negotiated countless privacy contracts, including business associate agreements and data processing agreements, and provided privacy language for software, cloud, and

Education

- Loyola University
Chicago School of Law
(J.D., 2021)
 - *cum laude*
 - Loyola University
Chicago Law
Journal
 - Beazley Institute for
Health Law and
Policy Fellow
- University of Wisconsin
- Madison (B.S.,
Neurobiology, 2016)
 - Honors in the
Liberal Arts

Bar Admissions

- Minnesota

data services transactions.

- Reviewed and crafted privacy policies, notices, procedures, guidelines, and consents and evaluated email, phone, and text messaging practices for health care, telehealth, and digital health companies.
- Supported an internal investigation in response to a class action complaint filed against the client involving more than 100 informational interviews with client employees, from the frontlines to C-Suite, and drafted a legal memorandum summarizing factual findings and identifying potential legal risks.

Clerkships

- Minnesota Court of Appeals, Honorable Matthew E. Johnson, 2021–2022

Charitable & Civic Involvement

- Certified Information Privacy Professional (CIPP/US)
- Member, Women’s Health Leadership Trust
- Member, Health Law Section, Minnesota State Bar Association
- Member, American Health Law Association

Accolades

- MSBA, North Star Lawyer, 2023-2025
- Consistently providing pro bono legal assistance to those in need through Dorsey’s Pro Bono program

Legal Writings

- Co-author, *FDA Publicity and Enforcement in the COVID-19 Era*, 60 Washburn L. J. 77 (2020)

Dorsey Health Law

July 22, 2025

New State-Level Anti-Kickback Statute Expands Minnesota AG’s Power to Prosecute Healthcare Fraud

February 15, 2023

FTC Takes First Enforcement Action for Violation of the Health Breach Notification Rule – A Federal Health Privacy Rule Beyond HIPAA