

**Patricia L. Luczak**

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Patti Luczak focuses her practice on medical malpractice litigation and general liability matters. She represents hospitals, physicians, nurses and other healthcare practitioners against professional liability claims at the trial and appellate court levels. She also defends commercial entities and corporations against premise liability lawsuits.

Patti is called upon to defend a wide array of medical negligence matters, including cases involving death, brain-damage, surgical complications, medication errors and orthopedic injuries.

During law school Patti prosecuted cases with the family violence unit of the Philadelphia District Attorney's Office and interned at Women Against Abuse. She also worked in Drexel's Environmental Justice Field Clinic and assisted in the representation of underprivileged communities through the law school's partnership with the Public Interest Law Center. At graduation she received the Service Honors Award for her commitment to pro bono work.

Before embarking on her legal career, Patti worked as a lab analyst and commercial site assessor for an environmental engineering firm.

**Representative Matters**

- Assisted in successful defense of an obstetrician against allegations that failure to perform a cesarean section caused a brachial plexis injury and long term developmental injuries including development of Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
- Assisted in obtaining a defense verdict for a Philadelphia based hospitalist against allegations that encephalopathy and several months hospitalization could have been avoided
- Represented a large Pennsylvania health and hospital system in numerous medical malpractice cases involving permanent injuries, impairments and death
- Assisted in reaching resolution of many high exposure matters via an Alternative Dispute Resolution format including cases involving injuries related to neurosurgical, emergency, obstetrical, surgical, cardiac and long-term care

**Practice Areas**

Healthcare

**Bar and Court Admissions**

Pennsylvania

New Jersey

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania

U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania

**Education**

Drexel University School of Law, JD, 2012

Temple University, BS, 2003

**Memberships**

Pennsylvania Bar Association

Philadelphia Bar Association

### **Recognition & Involvement**

Patti serves on the Executive Committee of the Young Lawyers Division of the Philadelphia Bar Association.

### **In the News**

Law Week 2016: Associates Volunteer for Legal Advice Live  
May 3, 2016

Patricia Luczak Elected as a Board Member of the Public Interest Law Center of Philadelphia  
March 13, 2014

Eight Lawyers Admitted to the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania  
December 6, 2012

### **Events**

Providing for the Providers: Supporting the Medical Team After an Adverse Effect  
White and Williams 2013 Healthcare Summit | May 21, 2013

### **Publications**

HHS Purports to Expand Civil Immunities Related to COVID-19 Vaccine  
*Healthcare Alert* | December 4, 2020

Governor Wolf Signs Executive Order Providing Limited Immunity to Healthcare Providers  
*Healthcare Alert* | May 8, 2020

A Framework for Mitigating Liability Claims for Eldercare Facilities  
*Healthcare Alert* | April 20, 2020

New Notification Requirements for Pennsylvania Medical Providers  
*Healthcare Alert* | December 27, 2018