

KHOURI LAW FIRM

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW, CRIMINAL LAW, HEALTHCARE LAW



From Left: Tracy Chang, Jennifer Gatewood, Stephen Britt, Michael J. Khouri, Ashley Nguyen

AS THE FOUNDER OF THE KHOURI LAW FIRM, MICHAEL J. KHOURI has established a national reputation for his representation of health care providers in criminal defense and administrative matters. "This small law firm has slowly but surely built a national law practice; we represent the types of clients that are routinely represented by the larger firms," Khouri says.

KHOURI, WHO HAS BEEN PRACTICING LAW SINCE 1981, HAS BEEN AV Preeminent® rated by Martindale-Hubbell® for more than 20 years — a testament to the fact that Khouri's peers have continually ranked him at the highest level of professional excellence.

THROUGHOUT THIS TIME, KHOURI HAS FOCUSED ON FEDERAL criminal defense and administrative law cases involving the health care industry. His clientele has comprised virtually every kind of Medicare or Medicaid provider, including individuals and corporations.

"WE'VE REPRESENTED MEDICAL DOCTORS, DENTISTS, PODIATRISTS, chiropractors, pharmacists, psychologists, medical equipment companies, advanced prosthetic device companies, skilled nursing facilities, home health care agencies, medical diagnostic centers, large medical groups, and many other health care providers," Khouri says.

ON THE CRIMINAL DEFENSE SIDE, KHOURI MAINLY REPRESENTS clients who are being investigated for Medicare or Medicaid billing fraud, though he has also defended clients outside of the health care industry. Khouri has kept countless clients from being indicted, and when clients are charged, has tried cases in federal courts across the country.

HE NOTES, "WE'RE OFTEN HIRED BECAUSE WE UNDERSTAND THE relationship between criminal law and the doctor's licensing and Medicaid and Medicare billing privileges."

INDEED, AS PART OF KHOURI'S ADMINISTRATIVE LAW PRACTICE, HE routinely represents health care providers before their licensing boards when they are accused of gross acts of malpractice, sexual assault, narcotics abuse, or billing fraud, among other crimes. Khouri's administrative law practice also provides skilled Medicare and Medicaid audit defense.

"WE ROUTINELY DEAL WITH BILLING AND CODING AND STATISTICAL extrapolation issues, which affect Medicare audit determinations," he explains.

KHOURI HAS TRIED MANY CASES BEFORE THE FEDERAL ADMINISTRATIVE law judges who ultimately rule on the propriety of audits conducted by recovery audit contractors and qualified independent contractors. He also has significant experience in dealing with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), and has even represented physicians and groups in CMS quality reviews.

"PEOPLE CHOOSE A LAWYER BASED ON WHETHER THEY BELIEVE that the lawyer will get them the results they want," Khouri notes. "And we have a history of getting results and solving problems for our clients."

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