



## Christopher J. Churchill

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### OVERVIEW:

Chris is the chair of the [Barley Snyder Senior Living Industry Group](#) and a member and former chair of the [Health Care Industry Group](#). Chris also is a member of the firm's [Business](#) and [Real Estate](#) practice groups.

He represents senior living clients, including: CCRCs/Life Plan Communities, nursing homes, assisted living facilities, personal care homes, home/health care agencies, senior housing developers and others in the senior living industry, as well as health care clients, including: hospitals, physician/dental groups, FQHCs/health centers, health plans/TPAs, diagnostic imaging centers and other health care providers. His experience includes corporate governance, regulatory compliance and licensing, mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures and affiliations, payor and other contracting matters. He has assisted clients with complex federal/state regulatory compliance matters involving the False Claims Act and whistleblower actions, Stark Law and Anti-Kickback Statute, Medicare/Medicaid reimbursement denials and appeals, state licensing violations, payor audits, HIPAA/HITECH compliance and data breaches, and other corporate compliance issues.

In addition, Chris has served as corporate general counsel for a health care information technology company, handling matters involving corporate transactions, corporate compliance, software/technology licensing, intellectual property and commercial contracting.

Chris has served on the Health Care Policy Committee of the Alexander Graham Bell Association in Washington, D.C., as well as on the boards of various health care and not-for-profit organizations. He is also the author of numerous articles/publications on health care, senior living, corporate compliance and business issues. Chris is a member of the [American Health Lawyers Association](#) and the [Pennsylvania Bar Association](#).

In his free time, Chris enjoys biking, hikes, exploring wildlife and traveling with his children.

## EDUCATION:

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- Villanova University Charles Widger School of Law, J.D.
- University of Virginia, B.S. Business
- University of Pennsylvania, Wharton School Executive Finance Program

## ADMISSIONS:

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- Pennsylvania
- Virginia
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit

## PRACTICE AREAS:

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- Business
- Cybersecurity
- Crisis Management
- Higher Education
- Real Estate

## INDUSTRY GROUPS:

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- Food & Agribusiness
- Health Care
- Senior Living
- Transportation, Logistics & Trade

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

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### **Tel Hai Retirement Community**

Board Member

### **St. James Episcopal Church, Lancaster**

Chancellor to the Vestry Board

## **Arbor Association**

Member of Board of Directors

## **Alexander Graham Bell Association of Washington, D.C.**

Former audit committee member

## **RECOGNITION:**

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- JD Supra, "Most Read Article 2016," Food & Beverage category

## **MEMBERSHIPS:**

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- American Health Lawyers Association
- Pennsylvania Bar Association

## **PRESENTATIONS:**

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- "M&A vs. Organic Growth - Governance, Financing and Other Implications", Kairos Education Conference & Exhibit (2023)
- "COVID-19 Vaccine: The Impact on Health Care and Long Term Care", webinar (December 2020)
- Federal Sentencing Guidelines and Effective Compliance Programs, Financial Executives International - Professional Development Session (2017)
- "Compliance Program Effectiveness", Barley Snyder Business Seminar Series (2012)
- "Managed Care Compliance 101+", HCCA Conference (2012)
- "Evaluating Your Compliance Strategy", Barley Snyder Business Seminar Series (2011)

## **OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

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- Former adjunct professor for graduate studies in health care administration, St. Francis University

## RELATED NEWS:

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- **More Government Scrutiny of Private Equity's Role in Healthcare, Including Nursing Facilities**  
March 22, 2024
- **Final Ownership Disclosure Requirements for Nursing Facilities**  
January 5, 2024
- **CMS Proposes Sweeping Disclosure Requirements for Nursing Facilities**  
March 7, 2023
- **Pennsylvania's Amendments to Data Breach Law Now Extend to Senior Living Entities**  
December 29, 2022
- **Barley Snyder Partner Christopher Churchill Elected to Tel Hai Retirement Community Board of Directors**  
December 15, 2022
- **New Federal Scrutiny of Telehealth Abuse Following the COVID Pandemic**  
August 2, 2022
- **Increased Budget Funding for Pennsylvania's Senior Living Facilities**  
July 12, 2022
- **Whats Next for LTC Facilities After the Supreme Courts Vaccine Ruling?**  
January 18, 2022
- **Big Changes Coming for Pa.s LTC Facilities**  
October 21, 2021
- **New Federal Agency Mandate Supports Vaccinating LTC Staff**  
August 2, 2021
- **More COVID-19 Relief for Pa. Senior Living Facilities**  
July 7, 2021
- **New Pressures on LTC Facilities for Vaccinations**  
June 3, 2021
- **COVID-19 Immunity Law? Be Careful What You Wish For**  
May 6, 2021
- **Visitation Restrictions Lifted for LTC Facilities**  
March 17, 2021
- **Feds Alter Provider Relief Fund Requirements**  
February 12, 2021
- **Health Care Workers to Get Some of First COVID-19 Vaccines**  
December 3, 2020
- **Last Chance for COVID-19 Provider Relief Funds**  
September 9, 2020

- **More Mandatory Testing and Funding for Senior Living Facilities**  
August 3, 2020
- **Delayed Reopening for Pennsylvanias Long-Term Care Facilities**  
June 8, 2020
- **Pennsylvanias New COVID-19 Testing Directive for Long-Term Care Facilities**  
May 18, 2020
- **More COVID-19 Emergency Funding for Health Care Providers**  
April 27, 2020
- **COVID-19 Emergency Fund for Health Care Providers Comes with Restrictions**  
April 20, 2020
- **Temporary Waivers for Long-Term Care Facilities During COVID-19 Crisis**  
April 3, 2020
- **How the CARES Act Stimulus Package Could Affect Your Business (UPDATE)**  
March 31, 2020
- **Families First Exemption Now Expanded to CCRC/Nursing Home Workers**  
March 30, 2020
- **Telehealth Expanded to Address COVID-19 Crisis**  
March 24, 2020
- **Understanding Quarantines in Pennsylvania Senior Living Facilities**  
March 16, 2020
- **Coronavirus and Senior Living Facilities**  
March 4, 2020
- **Compliance Plans Now Mandatory for Long-Term Care Facilities**  
January 28, 2020
- **Binding Arbitration Again an Option for Long-Term Care Facilities**  
August 6, 2019
- **How the Federal Government Shutdown Could Affect Your Business**  
January 24, 2019
- **New Anti-Kickback Safe Harbors May Stimulate Senior Living Investment**  
November 8, 2018
- **Continuing Care at Home: Should CCRCs Take the Plunge?**  
October 18, 2018
- **Can a Surgeons Questionable Medical Judgment Support a False Claims Case?**  
September 19, 2018
- **CMS Relaxes Immediate Jeopardy Standard for Nursing Facilities**  
July 9, 2018
- **Justice Department Clarifies Softer Stance on False Claims Act Enforcement**  
May 2, 2018

- Barley Snyder Starts Senior Living Group  
April 11, 2018
- Federal Government to Target False EHR Incentive Payments  
August 15, 2017
- Proceed with Caution in Using New Process to Self-Report Stark Law Violations  
June 7, 2017
- Barley Snyder Tops JD Supra's 2017 Food & Beverage List  
March 21, 2017
- Thirteen Barley Snyder Attorneys Named Select Lawyers  
December 27, 2016
- Could Possible Healthcare Repeal Efforts Extend to Physician Payments Under Medicare?  
November 29, 2016
- When Organic is Not Organic, Even When the USDA Says It Is  
October 21, 2016
- Missed Opportunity by The Supreme Court to Address the Erosion of Hospital Self-Review Privileges  
August 26, 2016
- HIPAA Phase 2 Audits Begin: What Are The Risks?  
April 7, 2016
- New Stark Law Exception for Non-Physician Practitioner Recruitment Subsidies: A Gift or Pandora's Box for Hospitals?  
February 24, 2016
- FCC Clarifies the Requirements for Sending Wireless Calls and Text Messages to Patients  
October 19, 2015
- After Almost 25 Years New Long-Term Care Regs: An Impressive and Costly Undertaking  
July 28, 2015
- Outsourcing Contracts: Trends and Best Practices  
March 1, 2008