

STEPHEN E. PURCELL

ASSOCIATE



AREAS OF PRACTICE

Health Care Liability

CONTACT INFO

(215) 575-2897
SEPurcell@mdwvcg.com

2000 Market Street, Suite 2300
Philadelphia, PA 19103

ADMISSIONS

Pennsylvania
2018

U.S. District Court Eastern District
of Pennsylvania
2018

EDUCATION

Drexel University Thomas R. Kline
School of Law (J.D., 2018)

University of Pennsylvania (B.A.,
2014)

HONORS & AWARDS

Pennsylvania Super Lawyers
Rising Star
2023-2024

YEAR JOINED

2020

OVERVIEW

Stephen represents physicians, physician's assistants, hospitals, long-term care facilities, dentists and other health care providers in general and professional liability matters. Through his practice, he has gained valuable experience in analyzing complex medical records and developing defenses and strategies that best meet his clients' needs.

Stephen was born and raised in Philadelphia, attending Roman Catholic High School and the University of Pennsylvania. After receiving his undergraduate degree in Political Science, Stephen worked for the Philadelphia District Attorney's office as a paralegal, which helped spur his decision to attend law school. During his time at Thomas R. Kline School of Law, Stephen was a lead editor of the Drexel Law Review. As a Marshall Brennan Fellow, he taught a Constitutional Law class to tenth graders at a Philadelphia high school for a semester. Stephen also interned for the Honorable Timothy R. Rice, United States Magistrate Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. In addition, he interned at Thomas Jefferson Hospital in Philadelphia, working in the Compliance Department to develop a system-wide Conflict of Interest Policy for medical researchers and employees. Stephen is also actively involved in mentoring aspiring young attorneys, serving as a judge for multiple mock trial tournaments.

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

Marshall Dennehey Announces 2024 Pennsylvania Super Lawyers and Rising Stars

May 17, 2024

Twenty-eight attorneys across Marshall Dennehey's six Pennsylvania offices have been selected to the 2024 edition of Pennsylvania Super Lawyers magazine.

[Read More](#)

Pennsylvania Superior Court Affirms Defendant's Immunity Under the Mental Health Procedures Act

Philadelphia - Headquarters

Health Care Liability

October 1, 2023

The plaintiff filed wrongful death and survival actions against the defendants, asserting claims of negligence and corporate negligence. Case Law Alerts, 4th Quarter, October 2023 is prepared by Marshall Dennehey to provide information on recent developments of interest to our readers.

Pennsylvania Superior Court affirmed trial court's dismissal of case because appellant waived her substantive claims by not moving to strike the non pros prior to appealing.

Philadelphia - Headquarters

Health Care Liability

July 1, 2023

The appellant initiated a lawsuit, pro se, raising negligence and strict liability claims arising out of allegedly negligent treatment received for gastrointestinal symptoms. Case Law Alerts, 3rd Quarter, July 2023 is prepared by Marshall Dennehey to provide information on recent developments of interest to our readers.

Plaintiff in med mal action must present expert testimony explicitly establishing standard of care in med mal context; cannot rely only on expert testimony in original workers' comp case that complained surgeries were not medically necessary.

Philadelphia - Headquarters

Health Care Liability

April 1, 2023

The plaintiff was injured at work, herniating discs in her spine. She underwent an anterior cervical discectomy and fusion procedure performed by the defendant, Dr. Salkind. Case Law Alerts, 2nd Quarter, April 2023 is prepared by Marshall Dennehey to provide information on recent developments of interest to our readers.

Only an affirmative misrepresentation or fraudulent concealment of the actual medical cause of death will toll the two-year statute of limitations for survival or wrongful death cases.

Philadelphia - Headquarters

Health Care Liability

January 1, 2023

The trial court granted a defendant's motion for summary judgment in a wrongful death case because the matter was initiated after MCARE's two-year statute of limitations period had run. Case Law Alerts, 1st Quarter, January 2023 is prepared by Marshall Dennehey to provide information on recent developments of interest to our readers.

PUBLISHED WORKS

"State University Nurse's Actions Did Not Meet 'State-Created Danger' Standard," *Defense Digest*, Vol. 27, No. 4, September 2021