

### TARA B. FUNG

**ASSOCIATE** 



#### **AREAS OF PRACTICE**

Health Care Liability
Public Entity & Civil Rights Litigation

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#### **ADMISSIONS**

Pennsylvania 2015

U.S. District Court Eastern District of Pennsylvania 2017

#### **EDUCATION**

Temple University Beasley School of Law (J.D., 2014)

St. John's University (B.A., 2009)

#### **HONORS & AWARDS**

Certificate of Excellence for Outstanding Performance and Dedication to the City of Philadelphia 2017

# **YEAR JOINED**

2022

# **OVERVIEW**

Tara brings nearly a decade of litigation experience in both state and federal court, having tried hundreds of cases, including bench trials, federal jury trials, and cases before arbitration panels. She concentrates her practice in medical malpractice and defends health care providers, including physicians, nurses, nursing homes, hospitals, and other health care facilities. Tara also represents foster care agencies, adoption agencies, and community social service agencies.

Prior to joining Marshall Dennehey, Tara was a Deputy City Solicitor for the City of Philadelphia. In that role, she represented the Department of Human Services in matters involving child abuse, neglect, and adoptions. She also represented the City of Philadelphia and its employees in alleged civil rights violations.

Tara's wealth of experience encompasses managing all aspects of litigation from inception through verdict, including conducting discovery, motion practice, settlement negotiations, depositions, and acting as lead attorney on multiple cases. She is also a Certified Arbitrator, adjudicating cases for the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas.

Tara is a graduate of Temple Beasley School of Law, where she served as an active member of both the Black Law Students Association and American Constitution Society. Prior to attending law school, Tara received her undergraduate degree from St. John's University, where she obtained her Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology.

# RESULTS

# Defense Verdict Obtained in Pennsylvania Medical Malpractice Case

# Long-Term Care Liability December 12, 2023

We secured a defense verdict on behalf of an extended care facility in a medical malpractice case. The plaintiff alleged negligence regarding the development and progression of certain wounds that the plaintiff's decedent developed throughout her treatment at various medical facilities. The evidence presented to the jury support the argument that the decedent's wounds occurred prior to her arrival at the insured's facility and that, while at the facility, the wounds were properly treated. The jury returned a verdict in approximately 30 minutes.

# SIGNIFICANT REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

Obtained a defense verdict in Delaware County on behalf of an extended care facility. The plaintiff filed a nursing home malpractice case, alleging negligence regarding the development and progression of certain wounds that plaintiff's decedent developed throughout her treatment at various medical facilities. The evidence presented to the jury supported the argument that the decedent's development of wounds occurred prior to her arrival at the insured's facility, and that while at the facility, the wounds were properly treated. Furthermore, the decedent's wound progression was the result of her pre-existing conditions and reaching the end stage of life. The trial lasted four days and the jury returned a verdict in approximately 30 minutes.