

## Addressing the Needs of Ambulatory Surgery Centers

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During the past year, our new health care attorneys were at the forefront of representing clients in mergers and acquisitions as well as in a host of regulatory matters in the ever-growing ambulatory surgery center sector.

- We worked on the certificate of need (CON) proceedings and sale of an ambulatory surgery center to Merritt Healthcare and a group of physician investors in Bloomfield, CT.
- We represented a diverse group of 23 specialists investing in the Waterbury-based Naugatuck Valley Ambulatory Surgery Center in another deal in which Merritt Healthcare also participated as the management company and as a significant equity participant.
- We represented a physician buyer and a joint venture entity in the acquisition of a facility that will lead to the creation of the Greater New Haven Ambulatory Surgery Center located in Hamden, CT.
- We assisted Bridgeport Hospital in the sale of its equity interest in the Surgery Center of Fairfield County to Surgical Care Associates.

Throughout these engagements and others, we handled a variety of complex relocation, facility licensure and managed care contracting matters for clients. Our attorneys also advised on regulatory issues surrounding Connecticut's adoption of a 23-hour stay regulation for ambulatory surgery centers and the imposition of a provider tax on these facilities.

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