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Amanda Copsey is a shareholder in Baker Donelson's Baltimore office and a member of the Health Law Group.

Amanda has extensive experience with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Inspector General (OIG) in Washington, D.C., where she served in various roles for 18 years. Most recently, she served in the Industry Guidance Branch, co-authoring the *OIG General Compliance Program Guidance* and exploring ways to modernize OIG guidance. Amanda prepared OIG advisory opinions regarding the lawfulness of health care arrangements and their level of risk under Federal fraud and abuse laws. She also served on a team of four advisors providing analysis of complex kickback arrangements for government partners, and she has represented the OIG at numerous industry conferences. Previously, she was part of the Administrative and Civil Remedies Branch, serving as a compliance monitor for a broad spectrum of entities under OIG Corporate Integrity Agreements (CIAs). Her responsibilities included interpreting CIA terms, evaluating modification requests, conducting CIA successor liability analysis, assessing reportable events, and working with independent review organizations.

From 2017 to 2022, Amanda served as a government representative on the planning committee for the American Health Law Association (AHLA) Fraud and Compliance Forum, where she reviewed and selected presentations, generated ideas for keynote speakers and plenary session topics, and identified government speakers for select sessions. As the Coordinated Care Team Leader from 2014 to 2017, she directed a team of attorneys in issuing liability waivers under OIG authorities to test models developed by the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Innovation and the Medicare Shared Savings Program. From 2011 to 2014, she co-chaired Operation Wheel and Deal, coordinating a team to target fraud, waste, and abuse in the ambulance industry and conducting outreach with the ambulance supplier community. Additionally, Amanda co-chaired the OIG HEAT Provider Compliance Training Initiative from 2010 to 2011, presenting at training sessions across the country on health care fraud and abuse prevention. She also completed a six-month detail to OIG's Immediate Office in 2009, assisting the inspector general by serving as a liaison between the Immediate Office and other OIG components and contributing to various agency publications. Before joining OIG, Amanda worked in private practice at a large international law firm in Washington, D.C. and served as a federal judicial law clerk in the Southern District of West Virginia.

Amanda's extensive experience and contributions to the field of health care law make her a valuable asset to the broader health care community.



Professional Honors & Activities

- 2024 Inspector General's Award for Advancing Excellence and Innovation – In recognition of the development, design, and publication of the innovative and impactful General Compliance Program Guidance document
- 2020 Principal Deputy Inspector General's Exceptional Achievement Award – Outstanding representation of OIG in advising on coordinated care model waivers
- 2019 Inspector General's Exceptional Achievement Award – Outstanding legal advice and analysis in support of the Administrative and Civil Remedies Branch and the Anti-Kickback Statute
- 2017 Inspector General's Bronze Award for Outstanding Employee of the Year – Recognition for outstanding performance in providing guidance to the industry and leadership in health care reform

- 2016 Inspector General's Exceptional Achievement Award – Recognition of outstanding performance in providing leadership to the Coordinated Care Team
- 2016 Inspector General's Award for Advancing Excellence and Innovation – Recognition of outstanding work in facilitating the department's innovative health care models while protecting programs from fraud and abuse
- 2011 Excellence Award from the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency – Recognition by the Federal Inspectors General community for co-chairing the OIG HEAT Provider Compliance Training Initiative, an innovative fraud prevention and compliance training program for health care providers created through collaborative efforts of a cross-agency, multi-disciplinary team
- 2011 Inspector General's Exceptional Achievement Award – Outstanding representation of OIG through the development of the HEAT Provider Compliance Training Program
- 2009 Inspector General's Special Act Award – Served a six-month detail as a liaison between the Immediate Office and all OIG components to help ensure coordination among OIG's audits, investigations, inspections and other mission-related functions
- 2009 Inspector General Exceptional Achievement Award – Outstanding contributions to promoting quality of care and compliance through publication of the 2008 Supplemental Compliance Program Guidance for Nursing Facilities



Speaking Engagements

- Guest Lecturer – "Health Care Law Fundamentals: Overview of OIG General Compliance Program Guidance," Boston University Health Law Seminar (November 2024)
- "OIG General Compliance Program Guidance"
 - AHLA Annual Meeting (June 2024)
 - National Association of Rehabilitation Providers and Agencies (May 2024)
 - Health Care Compliance Association (HCCA) Compliance Institute (April 2024)
 - AdvaMed (April 2024)
 - HCCA DMV Regional Healthcare Compliance Conference (March 2024)
 - HCCA Healthcare Enforcement Compliance Conference (November 2023)
- "Introduction of Keynote Speakers CEO David Cade, OIG IG Grimm and DOJ AAG Polite," AHLA Fraud and Compliance Forum (September 2022)
- "Corporate Integrity Agreements: A Closer Look at How OIG and Providers Work with Independent Review Organizations," HCCA Compliance Institute (April 2021)
- "OIG's 2020 Special Fraud Alert on Speaker Programs and Monitoring Compliance with the Anti-Kickback Statute," HCCA DC Regional Conference (March 2021)
- "Corporate Integrity Agreements: The Role of an Independent Review Organization," HCCA Healthcare Enforcement Compliance Conference (November 2019)
- "Hidden Treasure or Hidden Kickback? If It Looks too Good to Be True, It Might Be an AKS or Stark Violation," HCCA Compliance Institute (April 2019)
- "OIG Updates," HCCA D.C. Regional Conference (March 2019)
- "Fundamentals of the Fraud and Abuse Waivers," AHLA Fraud and Compliance Forum (September 2018)
- "Swapping, Kickbacks, Fair Market Value: Risks for a Post-Acute Provider," HCCA Compliance Institute (April 2016)
- "OIG Advisory Opinions, Enforcement Activity, and CMS Program Integrity Measures related to Ambulance Suppliers," International Association of EMS Chiefs (December 2012 and 2014)
- "Anti-Kickback Primer," AHLA Fraud and Compliance Forum (October 2013)
- "Fundamentals of Physician Compliance Programs," ABA Webinar (September 2011)
- "OIG Provider Compliance Training," For the cities of Houston, Tampa, Kansas City, Baton Rouge, Denver, and Washington, D.C. (Spring 2011)

- "2008 Supplemental CPG for Nursing Homes," AHLA Fraud and Compliance Forum (October 2008) and Teleconference (October 2008); American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging Annual Conference (October 2008); HCCA Teleconference (November 2008)



Education

- Tulane University School of Law, J.D., 2004, cum laude
- West Virginia University, B.A. in Biology and French, 2001, summa cum laude



Admissions

- District of Columbia, 2006
- West Virginia, 2005
- Florida, 2004