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Areas of Practice:

- Medical Malpractice Defense
- Health Care Licensing
- Transportation Defense

Taylor Brewer is a civil litigator. She advises and defends those in the health care, government, and transportation industries, and regularly appears in state and federal courts on behalf of her individual and corporate clients.

Taylor defends health care professionals of all kinds, as well as hospitals and private companies and practice groups. Her practice includes health care and hospital risk management and administrative matters, including representation before the Commonwealth of Virginia's health regulatory boards. She frequently advises clients on risk management and quality assurance matters.

Taylor is known for her representation of health care professionals in jails and prisons. She has authored and is a national speaker on legal issues in correctional health care, including deliberate indifference and the community standard of care as applied in the correctional setting. Taylor also represents security, custody, and administrative leadership against Constitutional and civil rights claims.

Taylor began her career defending automobile liability cases for GEICO. In her capacity as defense counsel for the company and its insured drivers, Taylor tried more than 100 bench trials and 13 jury trials in three years. This is where she developed her passion for jury trials.

Taylor has carried her trial experience into transportation defense more broadly, including the defense of commercial motor carriers against wrongful death and personal injury claims. When Taylor attended the National Trial Advocacy College in Charlottesville, Virginia, she learned from, among others, some of the top trucking defense trial attorneys in the country. Taylor's extensive experience with medical experts of all specialties allows for vigorous defense of the alleged injuries in these cases.

Taylor is passionate about raising awareness of the justice gap and is the Pro Bono Chair of her firm. She especially enjoys using her courtroom experience to pursue protective orders for victims of domestic violence. She is the Immediate Past President of the Greater Richmond Bar Foundation, the mission of which is to increase pro bono participation among attorneys in Virginia.

In addition to practicing law, Taylor enjoys being actively involved in the community. Currently she serves on the Executive Committee of the Virginia Association of Defense Attorneys and the Board of Directors of the Richmond Bar Association. She and her family attend Reveille United Methodist Church, where she helps lead her adult Sunday School class. Taylor enjoys running and spending time with her husband and three young children.

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Won summary judgment and final dismissal of a case in the Western District of Virginia against a nurse practitioner and nurse where allegations involved failure to properly treat MRSA
- Won summary judgment and final dismissal of a case in Henrico, Virginia against a primary care physician where allegations involved failure to interpret EKG results and failure to diagnose impending myocardial infarction
- Dismissal of a complaint against a licensed practical nurse following a formal hearing with the Board of Nursing. Allegations

involved failure to respond to and report two patient falls at a rehabilitation center.
- Forced non-suit in Chesapeake, Virginia in a case against two family physicians involving allegations of failure to identify abnormal EKG results and failure to diagnose acute cardiac condition
- Dismissal of a case against a pediatric intensivist in Norfolk where allegations involved failure to diagnose worsening pulmonary status, failure to properly supervise resident physicians, and failure to diagnose misplacement of enteric tube
- Defense verdict in Newport News, Virginia for a general surgeon where plaintiff alleged the surgeon caused enterotomies during hernia surgery and failed to return the patient to the operating room for exploration and removal of ischemic portions of bowel
- Won summary judgment and final dismissal of a case against a nurse practitioner in Abingdon where plaintiff alleged negligence and deliberate indifference during treatment of Hepatitis C
- Dismissal of a case against a hospitalist and nurse practitioner in Petersburg where allegations involved failure to diagnose liver failure and failure to transfer to a liver transplant center
- Won summary judgment and final dismissal of a case against a physician in Lynchburg where plaintiff alleged negligence and deliberate indifference during treatment of a broken bone
- Successfully petitioned court in Norfolk, Virginia on behalf of pediatric geneticist to order life-saving stem cell transplant for infant patient with Hurler Syndrome
- Won summary judgment and final dismissal of a case against several correctional health care providers where plaintiff alleged negligence and deliberate indifference during treatment of diabetes, hypertension, and periodontitis
- Defense verdict in Salem, Virginia for hospital nurses where plaintiff with myoclonus alleged that a breach of the nursing standard of care caused him to spill hot coffee and injure himself
- Won a motion to set aside the verdict in Norfolk Circuit Court by arguing that the jury incorrectly ignored contributory negligence by the plaintiff
- Dismissal of a complaint against a physical therapist assistant following an informal hearing with the Board of Physical Therapy. Allegations involved improper documentation of physical therapy assessments.
- Defense verdict in Richmond, Virginia for a general surgeon in a case involving allegations of misdiagnosed infection following surgical correction of diverticula and a fistula track between the cecum and bladder

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EDUCATION

- J.D., *cum laude,* University of South Carolina School of Law, Columbia, South Carolina, 2011
  South Carolina Law Review, Editorial Board
    - CALI Award for the highest grade in: Health Law & Policy, Torts II, Criminal Procedure
- National Trial Advocacy College, Charlottesville, Virginia
- B.S., Psychology and Spanish, Davidson College, Davidson, North Carolina, 2008
- University of Virginia in Valencia, Spain, Fall Semester 2007
- Norfolk Academy, 2004

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Virginia, 2011
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Virginia
- United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth District

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Virginia Association of Defense Attorneys
    - President – 2026-2027
    - Executive Committee, 2024-present
    - Regional Director, Board of Directors, 2021-2024
    - Member at Large, Board of Directors, 2019-2021
    - Chair, Medical Malpractice Section, 2018-2019
    - Vice Chair, Medical Malpractice Section, 2017-2018
- Richmond Bar Association
    - Board of Directors, 2024-present
    - Membership Committee, 2023-2024
    - Communications Committee, 2021-2023
    - Chair, 2022-2023

    - Pro Bono Committee, 2016-18
- Greater Richmond Bar Foundation
    - Immediate Past Chair 2025-present
    - Chair, 2024-2025
    - Vice Chair, 2023-2024
    - Board of Directors, Director at Large, 2020-2023
- Virginia State Bar
    - Chair, Young Lawyers Council Pro Bono Committee, 2022-2023
- Norfolk Portsmouth Bar Association, 2011-2015

HONORS AND AWARDS

- *Virginia Lawyers Weekly* "Leaders in Law", 2026
- Associate Fellow, Litigation Counsel of America
- *Virginia Lawyers Weekly* "Influential Women in Law", 2024
- *Virginia Lawyers Weekly* "Go to Lawyer" for Medical Malpractice, 2023
- The Best Lawyers in America "Ones to Watch", 2021 – 2026
- Virginia Super Lawyers Rising Stars, 2016 – 2025
- *Virginia Lawyers Weekly* "Up and Coming Lawyers", 2011
- *Virginia Business* Legal Elite, Health Law, 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024

PRESENTATIONS

- *Health Care Under Pressure: Workforce, Consolidation, and Evolving Care Models*, USLAW Medical Forum, Asheville, North Carolina (July 2026)
- *The Jury as Your Audience: Directing the Story for Maximum Impact*, USLAW Network Women's Connection, Beverly Hills, California, (March, 2026)
- *From Rapid Response to Rapid Settlement,* USLAW Network Transportation Exchange, Las Vegas, Nevada (February 2026)
- *Summary Judgment*, Guest Lecture at the University of Richmond School of Law, Richmond, Virginia (2022, 2023, 2024, 2025)
- *The Med Spa Boom: What Claims Professionals Need to Know*, Professional Liability Claims Seminar, Atlanta, Georgia (October, 2025)
- Podcast guest, *Contributory Negligence, a Growing Justice Gap, and Recruiting Lawyers with Taylor Brewer*, USLAW Live, Episode 17 (July 31, 2025)
- *Delegation: An Essential Leadership Skill*, USLAW Network Women's Connection, Quebec, Canada, (June, 2025)
- *Medications for Opioid Use Disorder, Corrections, and The Law,* Virginia Association of Regional Jails Annual Meeting, Virginia Beach, Virginia (April, 2025)
- *Tips from Defense Counsel: Risk Avoidance Strategies*, Presentation to Correctional Health Care Professionals, Richmond, Virginia (March, 2025)
- *Pro Bono Service: What's Your Excuse?,* Virginia Trial Lawyers Association, Hot Springs, Virginia (March, 2025)
- *Pro Bono Service*, John Marshall American Inn of Court Meeting, Richmond, Virginia (January, 2025)
- *The Evolving Test for Deliberate Indifference*, National Commission on Correctional Health Care Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, Nevada (October, 2024)
- *Clinical and Legal Considerations for Managing Withdrawal*, National Commission on Correctional Health Care Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, Nevada (October, 2024)
- *Empowering Ambition: Navigating Flexible Hybrid Work Models for Women's Success*, USLAW Network Women's Connection, Asheville, North Carolina, (May, 2024)
- *How to Ace Your Deposition: Tips from Both Sides of the V*, National Commission on Correctional Health Care Spring Conference, St. Louis, MO (April, 2024)
- *Clinical and Legal Lessons Learned while Implementing Medications for Opioid Use Disorder Programs*, Virginia Association of Regional Jails Annual Meeting (April, 2024)
- *Engaging Younger Attorneys in Your Bar Association: Tips, Tactics, and Success Stories*, Virginia State Bar, Bar Leaders Institute, Richmond, Virginia (March, 2024)
- *Deliberate Indifference to a Serious Medical Need: From Both Sides of the V*, Federal Bar Association, Health Law Section (February, 2024)
- *Written Discovery*, Virginia Association of Defense Attorneys Young Lawyers Boot Camp, Richmond, Virginia (December, 2023)
- *How to Ace the Meeting with Defense Counsel*, Virginia Chapter of the American Society for Healthcare Risk Management Fall Conference, Staunton, Virginia (November, 2023)
- *Remote Work is Here to Stay: Maintaining Data Security, Ethics, and Your Wellbeing in the New Era of Practicing Law*, Virginia Association of Defense Attorneys Annual Meeting, Virginia Beach, Virginia (October, 2023)

- *Medical and Legal Lessons Learned in the Implementation of Medications for Opioid Use Disorders*, National Commission on Correctional Health Care Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, Nevada (October, 2023)
- *CLE: Taking and Defending Depositions*, Richmond Bar Association (September, 2023)
- *Trials 101: A Paralegal's Role in Trial Prep and Trial*, Virginia Association of Defense Attorneys Paralegal Seminar (2022, 2023, 2024, 2025)
- *Immunize Yourself and Your Facility from Lawsuits: Never Say Never*, National Commission on Correctional Health Care Mental Health Conference, Washington, DC (July, 2023)
- Keynote Speaker, *Pro Bono Service and the Legal Community*, University of Richmond School of Law Harry L. Carrico Center Pro Bono Certificate and Recognition Ceremony (May, 2023)
- CLE: *Pro Bono Protective Orders*, Virginia State Bar's Young Lawyers Conference, Professional Development Conference (May, 2023)
- *Lessons Learned in the Implementation of Medications for Opioid Use Disorder from Medical and Legal Perspectives,* Virginia Association of Regional Jails Annual Meeting (April, 2023)
- *Protecting Yourself and Your Facility from Litigation*, National Commission on Correctional Health Care Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, Nevada (October, 2022)
- CLE: *Pro Bono Protective Orders*, The Lewis F. Powell, Jr. American Inn of Court Meeting, Richmond, Virginia (October, 2022)
- CLE: *Pro Bono Protective Orders*, The Greater Richmond Bar Foundation Annual Pro Bono Celebration, Richmond, Virginia (October, 2022)
- *Intake Screening: How to Avoid Liability*, National Commission on Correctional Health Care Annual Meeting (April, 2022)
- *Preventing Liability in the Correctional Setting*, Virginia Association of Regional Jails Annual Meeting (March, 2022)
- *Written Discovery*, Virginia Association of Defense Attorneys Young Lawyers Boot Camp, Richmond, Virginia (December, 2021)
- *Defensive Documentation and Litigation for Healthcare Providers,* Sentara Healthcare, Virginia (November, 2020)
- *Written Discovery*, Virginia Association of Defense Attorneys Young Lawyers Boot Camp, Richmond, Virginia (December, 2019)
- *Avoiding the "Reptile" Theory in Written Discovery and Depositions*, Virginia Association of Defense Attorneys Annual Meeting, Norfolk, Virginia (October, 2019)

PUBLICATIONS

- *Pro Bono: All the Cool Kids are Doing It,* The Richmond Lawyer, Richmond Bar Association Magazine, October 2024
- *The Evolving Test for Deliberate Indifference in Correctional Healthcare*, USLAW Magazine, Summer Issue (June, 2024) https://issuu.com/uslawnetwork/docs/uslaw_magazine_summer_2024/18
- *To Avoid the Risk of Lawsuits ... Never Say Never,* CorrectCare, National Commission on Correctional Health Care, Volume 37, Issue 1 (Spring 2023)
- *Pro Bono Protective Orders: Benefitting You*, Virginia Lawyer, Vol. 71, No. 3 (October 2022)
- *Providing Health Care for the Incarcerated*, Medical Law Report, Vol. 18, No. 4 (July, 2021)
- *Confronting the Reptile in Virginia*, 30 J. Civ. Litig. 187 (2018)

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Reveille United Methodist Church, Staff Parish Relations Committee, 2025-present
- Firms in Service, 2018-present
- Norfolk Court Appointed Special Advocates, Board of Directors, 2012-2015
- Cantabile Project, Board of Directors, 2012-2017
- Norfolk Academy Young Alumni Committee, 2011-2017

PRIOR EMPLOYMENT

- Goodman Allen Donnelly, Associate Attorney, 2015-2018
- GEICO, Counsel, 2013 – 2015
- Inman & Strickler, P.L.C, Associate Attorney, 2013
- Kaufman & Canoles, P.C., Associate Attorney, 2011 – 2012

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