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Murtha Cullina Partner Heather Berchem Appointed to AHCA Legal Committee

New Haven, CT (February 21, 2014)... The American Health Care Association has appointed Heather O. Berchem, Murtha Cullina partner, to the American Health Care Association Legal Committee.

The American Health Care Association is a non-profit federation of affiliate state health organizations, together representing more than 11,000 non-profit and for-profit nursing facility, assisted living, developmentally-disabled, and subacute care providers that care for approximately one million elderly and disabled individuals each day.

Ms. Berchem, Chair of Murtha Cullina's Long-Term Care Practice Group and a member of the Health Care and Information Security and Privacy Practice Groups, advises nursing homes, assisted living communities, CCRCs, hospitals, and home health care and hospice agencies. Her practice encompasses a wide range of regulatory, compliance, risk management and reimbursement issues including licensure; certificates of need; Medicare and Medicaid audits; changes of ownership; HIPAA and security breaches; and responding to audits and investigations by federal and state agencies.

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