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PROFILE

As a partner with the firm, Ms. Plant concentrates her practice on the representation of individual and institutional health care providers. She has successfully represented these clients in medical malpractice and other claims throughout Maryland's judicial system. Ms. Plant is experienced in all aspects of complex litigation including investigation, depositions, motions practice, alternative dispute resolution and trial. She has prevailed in numerous dispositive motions, and has tried medical malpractice cases to defense verdicts both independently and as a member of a trial team. In addition, Ms. Plant has presented argument to both the Court of Special Appeals and to the Court of Appeals of Maryland.

Ms. Plant also provides health law advice to hospitals, major health systems and other health care providers on issues including: surrogate medical decision-making and guardianship, civil rights of persons with disabilities, organ donation, peer review and credentialing issues, as well as confidentiality issues.

Ms. Plant regularly makes presentations to clients and to other attorneys on subjects such as: disclosing and apologizing for medical mistakes, medical documentation errors, end of life medical decision-making, malpractice issues in obstetrics, settlements with minors, expert witness qualifications and Maryland tort reform.

EDUCATION

University of Maryland School of Law (J.D. 1998)
Haverford College (B.A. 1995)
The Bryn Mawr School (1991)

HONORS

- Honored by The Daily Record as one of Maryland's 50 Leading Women, 40 years and younger, in 2010
- Selected for inclusion in Maryland Super Lawyers-Rising Stars Editions 2010 and 2011
- Concentration in Health Law, Awarded by the Law and Health Care Program of University of Maryland School of Law, 1998
- Corpus Juris Secundum Award for Scholastic Excellence in Contracts, 1995-96

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND COMMITTEES

- Maryland State Bar Association
- Baltimore County Bar Association
- Bar Association of Baltimore City
- Maryland-DC Society for Healthcare Risk Management
- Legislative and Regulatory Affairs Committee, Maryland-DC SHRM
- Maryland Defense Counsel, Inc.

COURT ADMISSIONS

- Maryland Court of Appeals
- United States District Court for the District of Maryland

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Partner, Goodell, DeVries, Leech & Dann, LLP
(January 2008 to present)
- Associate, Goodell, DeVries, Leech & Dann, LLP
(July 2004 to January 2008)
- Associate, Morgan Shelsby Carlo Downs & Everton, P.A.
(August 1999 to June 2004)
- Judicial Law Clerk to the Honorable J. Norris Byrnes,
Circuit Court for Baltimore County
(August 1998 to August 1999)

SELECTED CASES

Marcantonio v. Defendant OB/GYN, et al. (Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County. Plaintiffs alleged failure to diagnose endometrial cancer, and claimed wrongful death. Jury verdict for defense. October 2010).

Joy v. Defendant OB/GYN, et al. (Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County. Plaintiffs alleged improper surgical technique during hysterectomy. Jury verdict for defense. July 2010).

Barbely v. Defendant Surgeon, et al. (Circuit Court for Wicomico County. Plaintiffs alleged mismanagement in the course of patient's breast reconstruction surgeries. Jury verdict for defense. May 2010).

Carroll v. Defendant Hospital, et al. (Circuit Court for Harford County. Plaintiffs alleged permanent paralysis due to alleged failure to diagnose spinal fracture. Summary judgment for GDLD's client. October 2009).

Hayes v. Defendant OB/GYNs, et al. (Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County. Plaintiff alleged failure to diagnose MRSA mastitis. Jury verdict for defense. July 2007).

Sipes-Sellers v. Defendant OB/GYN, et al. (Circuit Court for Washington County. Plaintiff alleged failure to diagnose cancer. Summary judgment for GDLD's client. January 2007.)

Crossley v. Defendant Geriatrician, et al. (Circuit Court for Montgomery County. Plaintiffs claimed wrongful death resulted from alleged medication mis-management and failure to diagnose infection. Jury verdict for defense. March 2006.)

Tartaglia v. Defendant Surgeon (District Court for Frederick County. Plaintiff alleged negligent technique in reduction mammoplasty. Judgment for defense at the close of plaintiff's case. September 2005.)

Lewis v. Defendant Hospital, et al. (Circuit Court for Harford County. Plaintiff alleged failure to diagnose and treat post-operative hemorrhage. Jury verdict for defense. February 2004.)

Melton v. Defendant Pathologist, et al. (Circuit Court for Prince George's County. Plaintiffs claimed wrongful death resulted from alleged failure to diagnose lung cancer. Jury verdict for defense. December 2003.)

WORK-RELATED LINKS

Ms. Plant was quoted in The Daily Record, December 31, 2007, Missed cancer diagnosis not negligence, rules Maryland Court of Special Appeals.

http://findarticles.com/p/articles/mi_qn4183/is_20071231/ai_n21188720/

Ms. Plant's legal analysis was cited with approval by the Office of the Maryland Attorney General, Organ Donations – Guardianship, 90 Opinions of the Attorney General 3 (Md. 2005).

<http://www.oag.state.md.us/Opinions/2005/90oag3.pdf>

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Ms. Plant is a mentor with the Baltimore Girls' Schools Leadership Coalition, an organization run by the Deans of six Baltimore-area schools, to promote leadership skills in young women. Ms. Plant conducted a workshop on negotiations for the BGSLC retreat in January of 2009.