

Health Care Attorney Paul Leslie Joins Estes Thorne & Carr

Health care lawyer and former hospital general counsel **Paul Leslie** has rejoined Dallas-based Estes Thorne & Carr PLLC as a partner focused on health care regulatory compliance and litigation.

In a release, the firm said Leslie has more than 30 years of experience representing entities in health care-related regulatory, operational and transactional matters, and commercial and business litigation, as well as advising clients on efficient and effective management of in-house legal departments and functions.

He previously practiced at Estes Thorne & Carr and rejoins the firm from Parkland Health & Hospital System where he served as executive vice president and general counsel for eight years. He also has experience as an associate general counsel at another Fortune 500 health care company.

“We have known and worked with Paul for years and are excited to welcome him back as a colleague. His industry experience and understanding of the regulatory landscape are invaluable to our clients in the health care industry,” said managing partner **Jessica Thorne**.

The firm said Leslie has expertise in developing and implementing cost-effective strategies for health care operators. In addition to his experience with transactions and regulatory compliance, he has worked with board governance, enterprise risk management, contract negotiations and dispute resolution, commercial and whistleblower litigation, false claims investigations, real estate transactions and insurance contract coverage litigation.

“I have known and worked with the Estes Thorne & Carr attorneys for the better part of the last decade and always have been impressed by their legal prowess and their ability to develop strong relationships with their clients,” he said. “Once I had the opportunity to rejoin the firm, I knew this was the right place for me.”

A graduate of St. Mary’s University School of Law, Leslie earned the Magna Stella Award for Outstanding General Counsel from General Counsel Forum in the government/non-profit category in 2016. He is rated AV Preeminent by Martindale-Hubbell, reflecting the highest excellence in legal ability and ethical standards.