

John Rah joins DLA Piper's Litigation practice in Washington, DC

DLA Piper announced that healthcare and life sciences compliance lawyer John Rah has joined the firm's Litigation practice as a partner in Washington, DC.

In a news release, the firm said Rah advises pharmaceutical and medical device manufacturers, healthcare providers and suppliers and managed healthcare organizations on corporate compliance program development and operations designed to mitigate the risk of fraud and abuse. He counsels clients on investigations and informal inquiries by the US Department of Justice (DOJ) and the US Department of Health and Human Services Office of Inspector General (OIG).

Rah's work also includes conducting internal investigations for health care companies involving potential violations of relevant policies and procedures designed to ensure compliance with the anti-kickback, Food Drug and Cosmetics Act . He also has been involved in negotiating and implementing Corporate Integrity Agreements (CIAs), Deferred Prosecution Agreements (DPAs), and state consent decrees, and regularly interacts with the OIG and other relevant agencies in connection with these integrity agreements, the firm said.

"John is one of the nation's leading compliance lawyers," said Loren Brown, co-chair of DLA Piper's global and US Litigation practices. "In particular, John is in a league of his own when it comes to counseling major life sciences and healthcare companies through significant regulatory and enforcement challenges. We are confident that our clients will value his advice and counsel, and that he will enhance our global platform immediately."

“As our healthcare provider clients look to navigate through the complexities of federal regulations, particularly given the evolving regulatory landscape, the insights John gained through his work with the OIG will be extremely valuable,” said Jeff Lehrer, managing partner of DLA Piper’s Washington, DC, office. “John’s skillset will also complement our growing white collar enforcement team in Washington and our growing Litigation practice.”

Rah, who previously was a partner at Morgan Lewis, is the latest addition to the firm’s Litigation practice in Washington, DC, which recently added Matthew Graves, Raphael Larson and Louis Ramos. Other additions to the practice elsewhere in the US include Eric Christofferson (Boston), George Karavetsos (Miami), David Sager (Short Hills, New Jersey), and Thiru Vignarajah (Baltimore).

Rah received his J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center, and his B.A. from New York University.

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