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Sarah Lacey is a medical malpractice defense lawyer at Goodell DeVries. An associate with the firm, Sarah defends healthcare providers, healthcare institutions, and insurance companies in all phases of medical malpractice claims.

Sarah brings significant experience litigating diverse high-value, complex matters in federal and state courts. Before joining the firm, she litigated a wide range of matters and conducted investigations involving the False Claims Act, home healthcare fraud, fraudulent accounting and business practices, business licensing issues, improper billing and non-compliance with terms of federal contracts, and security clearance matters.

A passionate community advocate, Sarah served as a Council Member and Chair of the Anne Arundel County Council. Prior to her election, Sarah served as the president of her homeowners association. She has also held several volunteer roles in service of low-income and disabled seniors, a faith-based organization, and women serving short-term sentences in county jail.

## Practice Areas

- Medical Malpractice

## Court Admissions

- Maryland
- District of Columbia
- United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
- United States District Court for the District of Maryland

## Education

- Catholic University Columbus School of Law (J.D., *summa cum laude*, 2008)
  - Certificate, Law and Public Policy
  - Class of 2008 Law School Alumni Association Award

- Student Bar Association – VP for Academic Affairs
- *Catholic University Law Review* – Production Editor (2007-2008); Associate Editor (2006-2007)
- Advocacy for the Elderly Clinic – Intern: Won favorable compensation decision in the U.S. Court of Federal Claims for widower of firefighter whose death was caused by repeated line-of-duty smoke exposures; successfully defended against government's appeal
- Hon. Royce C. Lamberth, U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia – Intern
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology (S.B. in Chemical Engineering, 2002)

## Professional Experience

- Anne Arundel County Council – Council Member, District 1; Vice Chair (2019-2020); Chair 2020-2021)
- Rosenberg Martin Greenberg LLP – Senior Counsel (2019)
- Levin & Curlett LLC – Partner (2016-2018); Of Counsel (2014-2016)
- Saul Ewing LLP – Associate (2008-2013)

## Representative Matters

- Won substantial award for relator in False Claims Act case based on original investigation and written case presentation to federal prosecutor and FBI.
- Won partial summary judgment in federal district court in home healthcare fraud case, persuading the court on issue of first impression that D.C.'s consumer protection law extended to third-party purchasers of services for the benefit of another.
- Representations have included investigations into fraudulent accounting and business practices; business licensing issues; improper billing and non-compliance with terms of federal contracts; and defense of a federal contractor to retain security clearance.
- Represented four civil rights plaintiffs in separate actions for wrongful conviction, wrongful imprisonment, and related claims, in both federal and state courts. Three cases settled favorably on the eve of trial. Prepared state appeal in fourth case.

## Honors and Awards

- Maryland Super Lawyers – Rising Star
  - Civil Litigation (2015-2017)