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Vorys Partners Appointed to American Health Lawyers Association Leadership Positions

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Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease is pleased to announce that Lisa Pierce Reisz and Suzanne Scrutton, partners in the Columbus office and members of the health care group, have been appointed to leadership roles within the American Health Lawyers Association (AHLA).

Reisz was appointed as a vice-chair of research and website of the AHLA's Health Information and Technology (HIT) Practice Group. The HIT Group assists AHLA members who want to become educated about legal issues arising from the use of information and communications technology in health care, including issues related to the acquisition and operation of health information systems and networks, electronic medical records, telemedicine, electronic prescribing, Internet and email communications, operation of websites, expert diagnostic systems, clinical data repositories and master patient indexes, confidentiality and security, electronic signatures, and ownership of health care data. Reisz has been a member of AHLA for nearly a decade and has previously served as the vice-chair of the AHLA's Electronic Health Records Affinity Group.

Scrutton was re-appointed to a leadership position within the AHLA as vice-chair of educational programming for the AHLA's Behavioral Health Task Force. The Task Force focuses its work on advancing the understanding of laws impacting behavioral health, including the delivery of services to those living with mental illness, certain neurological conditions, substance use disorders or developmental disabilities and reimbursement for such services. Scrutton has previously served as the Task Force's vice-chair of publications, has published articles for the AHLA on behavioral health and Medicaid issues, and has presented with national Medicaid leaders at AHLA conferences.

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