

# Nicholas H. Meza

## Associate

Nick is an attorney in the firm's Health Law Practice Group. His practice includes assisting retail, specialty, and long-term care pharmacies, pharmacy benefit managers, HUBs, and wholesale drug distributors with regulatory and transactional matters. Nick also advises health care providers, physician and practice management groups, and health care software developers with a variety of issues, including:

- General federal and state regulatory compliance
- Federal Anti-Kickback Statute and Stark Law
- Telemedicine/Telehealth and Telepharmacy
- In-office Dispensing
- Defending against and responding to regulatory complaints and investigations
- HIPAA privacy and security rules

Prior to joining the firm, Nick practiced general civil defense. He served as a Judicial Extern for the Honorable David K. Duncan in the United States District Court, District of Arizona and was a legal intern at PetSmart Inc. and the Arizona State University Office of General Counsel.

## Legal Services

- Health & Life Sciences
  - Pharmacy
  - Specialty Pharmacy
  - Health Care Transactions

## Education and Honors

- Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law at Arizona State University (J.D., 2013)
  - William H. Pedrick Scholar; Hon. Valdemar A. Cordova Scholarship; MCBA Diversity Legal Writing Program Scholarship
  - Chester H. Smith Memorial Scholarship Fund. MCCA Lloyd M. Johnson, Jr. Scholarship
  - CALI Award: Legal Method & Writing, Public Health Law, Health Care Fraud
  - Arizona State Law Journal (Technology Editor)
- University of Arizona (M.P.H., 2008)
  - Master of Public Health
  - Hispanic Alumni Association Outstanding Graduate Student. Fellow.



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- Project EXPORT
- Canyon Ranch Life Enhancement Scholarship
- University of Arizona (B.S., *cum laude*, 2006)
  - Major: Health Sciences
  - Phoenix Alumni Club Legacy Scholarship
  - Minority Student Achievement Award for Academic Excellence

### **Bar Admissions**

- Arizona

### **Court Admissions**

- U.S. District Court, District of Arizona, 2013

### **Professional and Civic Activities**

- American Bar Association (Member)
- Maricopa County Bar Association (Member)
- American Health Lawyers Association (Member)
- Los Abogados Hispanic Bar Association (Member)
- Planned Parenthood of Arizona (Board Member, 2012–2014)
- LCLD Pathfinder Program Participant (2017)
- Casa Hogar "Al Abrigo de Dios" Orphanage (Volunteer, 2008)
- Special Olympics of Arizona Emerging Leaders Council (Member)

### **Professional Recognition**

- Selected for inclusion in Southwest Super Lawyers® – Rising Stars (2018–present: Health Care)
- Hispanic Alumni Association Outstanding Graduate Student – Excellence in Leadership and Academics

### **Publications & Presentations**

04/29/19

#### **Alabama Board of Pharmacy Imposing 3:1 Technician to Pharmacist Ratio on Non-Resident Pharmacies**

*Health & Life Sciences Alert*

02/01/19

#### **"New York Court Overturns Multiple Convictions Against Pharmacist"**

*American Society for Pharmacy Law*

01/10/19

#### **"The Art of the [Health Care] Deal: Just like any other deal... NOT!"**

*Quarles & Brady Seminar*

04/10/18



**"Specialty Pharmacy and the Law"**

*McKesson Corporation*

02/19/18

**A Welcome Goodbye: Congress Repeals \$2,010 Therapy Cap**

*Health Law Alert*

02/05/18

**Kansas Now Requires Non-resident Pharmacies to Designate a Kansas-licensed PIC**

*Health Law Alert*

11/20/17

**California Passes Two Drug Pricing Transparency Laws**

*Health Law Alert*

06/01/17

**"Pharmacy 101"**

*McKesson Corporation*

09/24/15

**HHS Proposes New Regulations Prohibiting Discrimination Against Transgender Individuals**

*Health and Employee Benefits Law Update*

07/06/15

**The Legal Implications of HIPAA Privacy and Public Health Reporting for Correctional Facilities**

*J Correct Health Care*

05/14/15

**Are You Interested in the FDA's Guidance on Outsourcing Facilities? Your Time to Comment Is Ending Soon!**

*Health Law Alert*

02/03/15

**Is Your Fitbit FDA-Legit?**

*Health Law Alert*

09/05/14

**How Far We Have Come. How Far We Have Yet To Go.**

05/01/14

**Information and Guidance for Young Doctors: Navigating the Medical Landscape in the Early Years of Practice**

*American Osteopathic Colleges of Ophthalmology & Otolaryngology – Head & Neck Surgery 98th Annual Clinical Assembly*

03/01/14

**Fourth Circuit Finds Compliance with FDA Regulatory Requirement Not a "Prerequisite to Payment" to Establish Element of Falsity under the False Claims Act**

*Rx Ipsa Loquitur, An Official Publication of the American Society for Pharmacy Law*

06/01/13

**Legal Responses to Communal Rejection in Emergencies, Public Health and the Law**

*Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics, vol. 41, p. 529 (2013)*

06/01/13

**A New Approach for Clarity in the Determination of Protected Concerted Activity Online**

*Arizona State Law Journal, vol. 45, p. 329 (2013)*