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Wesley Butler has underwritten various types of professional liability for nearly 20 years ranging from management liability to technology E&O and, and for the last 15 years, health care professional liability. Wesley has worked with companies of varying size and scope that have operations all across the country and in various parts of the world. In his current role, he helps health care organizations identify and manage risk by developing innovative and creative solutions through an array of risk financing techniques and insurance products. He is currently based in Oakland, CA and Washington, DC.

He has a bachelor's degree in marketing from Texas A&M University and a MBA from Johns Hopkins University. He enjoys cycling, going to the movies, writing children's stories, traveling, tasting bourbon and spending time with his young son.

ELIZABETH HUNTINGTON BSN, MSN, JD, CORPORATE RISK OFFICER, BAPTIST HEALTH SYSTEM

Ms. Huntington holds a Juris Doctorate, Masters of Science (M.S.) and Bachelors of Science (B.S.) in Nursing and has extensive experience with patient safety, risk finance and medical malpractice litigation management. Elizabeth also has extensive pediatric nursing experience. Prior to obtaining her law degree, she held positions in neonatology and pediatric intensive care at Rainbow Babies' and Children's Hospital (Case Western Reserve University) and pediatric cardiology and oncology at The Cleveland Clinic.

Elizabeth has experience as a risk manager for a large Texas health care system where she developed, implemented and directed system-wide claims management, insurance, risk financing, risk management, off-shore captive, workers' compensation and employee occupational non-subscription ERISA benefit plan. Further, Elizabeth procured all lines of insurance and managed a large self-insured retention providing primary coverage for hospital professional liability and general liability exposures; and managed the corporate risk finance program that included a self- insured trust and a captive insurance company.

At Western Litigation, Ms. Huntington represented medical malpractice underwriters insuring acute care and long-term care organizations, with high deductible/self-insured retentions throughout the United States. Key responsibilities include evaluating claims, analyzing coverage issues, managing defense counsel, negotiating settlements, and participating in mediations and trials.



Currently, Elizabeth is the Corporate Risk Officer for Baptist Health System in Little Rock, Arkansas. She serves on the Board of Managers for Diamond Risk Insurance LLC and oversees the clinical risk and patient safety, risk finance, and litigation management for the system's eleven hospitals and 500+ physicians and advanced practice providers.

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Pamela has managed, and internalized, some of the largest healthcare liability claims programs nationally, including Stanford University Medical Center, Tenet Healthcare, Spectrum Healthcare Serves, and SSM Health Care. She has served as in risk and claims management consulting roles on the brokerage sides as well as in-house with several large malpractice carriers. In her current role as Executive Vice President of Western Litigation, Inc, Pamela manages the WLI Risk Consulting Practice, working with self insured clients to identify, mitigate and prevent risks, enhance the patient experience and educate providers on the strengths of disclosure and apology programs.

Pamela has been fortunate to travel the US throughout her career, whether completing risk assessments, provider and staff training or assisting with a post event response. Her depth of knowledge in healthcare risk management comes from having walked the halls of thousands of hospitals, physician offices, correctional centers and ambulatory care centers, and educating tens of thousands of healthcare personnel on risk management topics.

Pamela has been very involved in risk management organizations at the local, state and national level over the past thirty years of her career. She served as the President of ASHRM, and a multi year Board member, as well as a two term President of the American Hospital Associations' Certification Center (which develops and administers the CPHRM). Pamela served as President of the Board for the International Center for Captive Insurance Education (ICCIE), and continues as faculty on healthcare captive and risk financing topics. She has served on various committees of the Vermont Captive Insurance Association (VCIA), Physician Hospitals of America (PHA) and is a frequent speaker on risk, claims and risk financing topics.

Pamela is an international speaker and author on various risk and claims topics. She remains licensed to practice law in both Missouri and Illinois. She serves as adjunct faculty on risk and insurance for Regis University in Denver.

Pamela received her juris doctorate from St. Louis University and her dual Masters in Health System Management/Legal Studies from Webster University. She has earned the Certified Professional in Healthcare Risk Management (CPHRM) certification, the Associate in Management (AIM) and is a Distinguished Fellow with the American Society for Healthcare Risk Management (ASHRM). In 2007 Pamela was awarded the Distinguished Service Award, only the 13th recipient in ASHRM's 35 year history.



VINCENT YEZZI FCAS, MAAA, SENIOR DIRECTOR, WILLIS TOWERS WATSON

Vince Yezzi is a consulting actuary with the firm's Philadelphia office, where he has worked since 1986. He specializes in providing consulting services to the health care industry.

Vince's consulting experience includes strategic planning and funding requirement analyses for numerous captive insurance companies and self-insured entities. He also has extensive experience in captive feasibility studies, allocation analyses for distributing captive or self-insured risk financing costs to individual members or entities and ratemaking reviews for physician programs.

In addition, his experience includes reserve reviews for most property/casualty lines of business, including workers' compensation, general liability, products liability and commercial auto liability.

Vince is a frequent speaker at industry seminars and conferences, including the Casualty Actuarial Society's Casualty Loss Reserve Seminar, The Conference of Consulting Actuaries and ASHRM. He has authored and published articles in several publications, including *The Actuarial Review* and *Captive Insurance Company Reports*.