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#### **Admissions**

State Bar of California

## **Affiliations**

California Bar Association

#### Education

Cornell Law School, J.D. Yeshiva University, M.A. Brandeis University, B.A.

# **PROFILE**

Astute scrutiny runs through everything Michael (Akiva) Newborn does. With a background in research and analysis of dense biblical text, he brings this intellectual acuity to his healthcare litigation practice. Akiva has researched and drafted memoranda on topics related to medical malpractice, elder abuse, and health care regulations, including HIPAA, and ERISA. He has drafted pleadings, demurrers, motions to strike, discovery requests and responses, meet and confer letters, and mandatory settlement conference briefs. He is exceptional at writing motions, including motions in limine, motions to quash, and motions for summary judgment.

Akiva represents healthcare providers in state and federal court in a wide range of litigation matters, including areas involving the False Claims Act and the Anti-Kickback Statute. He also advises healthcare providers on regulatory compliance issues.

When he's not advising clients on complex healthcare issues, Akiva teaches classes, gives lectures, and serves as chair of his synagogue's inclusion committee aimed at making his synagogue more inclusive for individuals with disabilities

### **EXPERIENCE**

Medicare Fraud: Represented a comprehensive histocompatibility testing center affiliated with a major university in a Medicare fraud and False Claims Act matter. Akiva defended the client against government claims of overbilling. He wrote a successful motion to quash opposing counsel's efforts to subpoena a third party witness, citing privacy concerns.

Business Litigation: Represented a hospital system in a contract dispute over the sale of one of California's biggest Catholic hospital systems. Akiva researched a wide array of issues in preparation for the client's motion for summary judgment. He also conducted document review, managed contract attorneys, and drafted a motion for protection.

Regulatory Compliance: Researched and wrote comprehensive guidelines on behalf of a client that wanted to close down a pharmacy and relinquish its license.

Skilled Nursing: Akiva represented a skilled nursing home in relation to nearly \$1 million in insurance back fees owed to the government. He researched the relevant compliance requirements and negotiated with the Department of Health Care Services Quality Assurance Fee Unit to create a palatable payment plan for his client.