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Denise Hanna, Experienced in Health Care Law and Policy, Named Chair of Locke Lord's Health Care Practice Group

(WASHINGTON, D.C.) October 13, 2014 – **Denise Hanna**, who has spent more than 20 years dealing with key legal and public policy matters relating to the health care industry for clients across the country, has been named Chair of Locke Lord's Health Care Practice Group.

Hanna, who began her career in Locke Lord's Los Angeles office, has represented health insurance companies and managed care organizations in a variety of matters, including mergers and acquisitions, corporate and entity formation, managed care contracting, joint ventures and commercial contracting. She has closely tracked the enactment of federal health care reform, and regularly advises clients on implementation and compliance issues.

"Denise has a national reputation in the health care industry for her immense skill and knowledge in all aspects of health care law and policy," said Firm Chair **Jerry Clements**. "Her leadership will be instrumental in our commitment to continue to grow this dynamic practice area to better serve our clients Firm-wide."

Locke Lord's Health Care Practice has been ranked by *Modern Healthcare* and *Chambers USA*.

Hanna's representative experience includes:

- Lead counsel to national managed care in its \$100 million acquisition of a long-term care business;
- Special health insurance regulatory counsel to a private equity firm in its \$900 million acquisition of a holding company for pharmacy benefit management, pharmacy discount programs, national Medicare Part D prescription drug plan and various other regulated entities; and
- Lead counsel in representing national health insurance company in the \$650 million acquisition of a Medicare Advantage and Medicaid managed care organization

A frequent speaker and writer on health reform topics, Hanna is a member of the American Bar Association's Health Law Section and serves as its Co-Chair of the 2014 Washington Health Law Summit, Vice Chair of the Programs Committee and Vice Chair of the Managed Care & Insurance interest group. An International Partner at Locke Lord, she recently concluded two years of service as Chair of the Firm's Diversity Committee.



Hanna earned her undergraduate degree, with honors, from the University of Chicago and her J.D. from Stanford Law School. She is admitted to practice in both the District of Columbia and California.

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