

Dentons' Thomas Hyatt Named Outstanding Lawyer by American Bar Association

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Washington, DC—Dentons, the global law firm, today announced that Thomas K. Hyatt, partner in the firm's Health Care practice, received the 2017 Outstanding Lawyer Award from the Nonprofit Organizations Committee of the American Bar Association, Business Law Section. The award is presented annually to a lawyer for his or her distinguished service as outside counsel to nonprofit organizations.

Hyatt is a nationally recognized practitioner and thought leader at the intersection of nonprofit law, governance, and policy. He currently serves as Board Chair of Appalachian Regional Healthcare, a rural nonprofit health system that serves communities in eastern Kentucky and southern West Virginia in the most indigent region in America. Prior to that, Hyatt served as Board Chair of Maryland Nonprofits, which provides support services and educational opportunities for nonprofits across the state and throughout the country.

In 2016, Hyatt led the US legal team that worked to establish the Aurora Prize for Awakening Humanity, including the creation of a new US charity, the 100 Lives Foundation. The 100 Lives Foundation was created to preserve and tell the stories of the survivors and saviors of the Armenian genocide in 1915.

Hyatt recently worked on behalf of the Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges (AGB) to coordinate a blue ribbon task force, comprising college and university presidents, trustees, and thought leaders, in developing the AGB Board of Directors' Statement on Campus Climate, Inclusion, and Civility, and was the Statement's principal author. The landmark statement addresses some of the most challenging social and political issues on college campuses today and has been hailed as the best work to date for governing boards on this subject.

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