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OVERVIEW

Peter handles a wide range of disputes for clients in the health care and financial services sectors across the U.S. In the health care sector, he represents insurers, third-party administrators, and self-funded plans in defending complex multimember and single-plaintiff cases. Peter guides health care clients through ERISA recovery of benefits and fiduciary duty cases, as well as the Mental Health Parity Act (MHPA), and out-of-network provider and other common law claims.

Peter also litigates cases in financial services sector, defending financial service clients against class action and individual consumer litigation. He manages consumer lawsuits in the mortgage servicing, auto lending, online lending, and banking spaces involving the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA), Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA), Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (FDCPA), and other state and federal consumer laws throughout the U.S.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- *California Spine and Neurosurgery Institute v. Anthem Blue Cross et al.*, 2:23-cv-00894-FLA-JC (C.D. Cal. Dec. 2, 2024) – Obtained dismissal with prejudice of all state common law causes of action against Anthem Blue Cross. Plaintiff sought to recover additional benefits based on alleged promises during pre-service communications to pay Usual and Customary Rates. The court ruled that ERISA preempts state common law causes of action arising from pre-service communications and dismissed with prejudice all state common law claims.

TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

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- Consumer Financial Services
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PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Member of the Board of Directors, Cygnet Foundation (2019-Present)
- Member of the Board of Directors, Community Food and Agriculture Coalition (2018-2021)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Judicial law clerk, U.S. Bankruptcy Court District of Montana (2021-2022)
- Student attorney, Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (2020-2021)

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- Alexander Blewett III School of Law - University of Montana, J.D., 2021
- Colorado College, B.A., 2012

BAR ADMISSIONS

- California

COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. District Court, Central District of California
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of California
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of California
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of California

LANGUAGES

- Spanish

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Presenter, "Renewable Energy Development on State Trust Lands," National Association of State Trust Lands

Conference, September 2021.

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-author, "OCC Comptroller Gould Signals a Multifaceted Push to Reinforce Federal Preemption," *Financial Services Blog*, November 5, 2025.
- Co-author, "Fifth Circuit Clarifies Enforcement of IDR Awards Under the No Surprises Act," *Consumer Financial Services Law Monitor*, June 18, 2025.
- Co-author, "9th Circ. Clarifies ERISA Preemption for Healthcare Industry," *Law360*, June 12, 2024.
- Co-author, "Troutman Pepper Publishes 2023 Consumer Financial Services Year in Review and A Look Ahead," *Troutman Pepper*, February 1, 2024.
- Co-author, "Renewable Energy Development on State Trust Lands," *Duke Env. Law & Policy*, 2022.
- Case Note, "You Can't Teach an Old Dog New Tricks: State v. Wilson in Light of Changing Marijuana Law," *81 Mont. L. Rev.* 131, 2020.