

Katherine (Kate) Philbin Butler
Biography – Young Professionals Council

Kate Butler received her B.A. in Communications from the College of Charleston. During college, Ms. Butler was on the Dean's List, the Distinguished Faculty Honors List and was a member of the Rho Lambda Honor Society. In addition, Ms. Butler spent a semester studying at the Lorenzo de' Medici International School in Florence, Italy.

Ms. Butler received her J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law. Ms. Butler was on the Dean's List and served as the Book Editor of the *Southeastern Environmental Law Journal*. During law school, Ms. Butler worked for the South Carolina Senate Judiciary Committee, the Center for Medicare Advocacy and the United States Department of Health and Human Services. Ms. Butler also had the privilege of studying Transnational Dispute Resolution at The Honourable Society of Gray's Inn in London, England.

After graduating from law school, Ms. Butler joined Leitner, Williams, Dooley & Napolitan, PLLC as an associate. There she focused her work on civil litigation.

Presently, Ms. Butler is the Assistant General Counsel of Palomar Pomerado Health ("PPH"). In her role, Ms. Butler specializes in matters related to state and federal regulatory matters with a focus on Stark, Anti-kickback, HIPAA/HITECH and California privacy laws, the Brown Act and the Public Records Act. Ms. Butler also drafts, reviews, interprets and negotiates contracts for PPH, including physician contracts. She also works on major transactions, joint-ventures, and other corporate matters.

At PPH, Ms. Butler also serves on several committees including the Bioethics, Information Security and Privacy and Records Retention committees. In addition, she develops and reviews system-wide procedures on matters related to surrogacy, biomedical waste, privacy investigations and contract review. Ms. Butler also provides training to employees on such topics as HIPAA/HITECH and California privacy laws, Unrepresented Patients and Decision Making, Stark, Physician Marketing and Charting and Medical Liability.

Ms. Butler is an active member of the American Health Lawyers Association and the Association for Corporate Counsel. As a member of the California Society for Healthcare Attorneys, Ms. Butler serves on the Publications Committee, which publishes the *California Health Law News*. Ms. Butler is also a founding member and the vice president of the College of Charleston Alumni Association, San Diego Chapter. Ms. Butler is licensed in Tennessee and California.