L. Edward Bryant, Jr. is one of the founders of the field of health law and the quintessential health care attorney. In his person, and throughout his career, Ed symbolizes the best and brightest of the legal profession: intelligence, wisdom, savvy, integrity, service and kindness, touched with a generous sense of humor.

Ed Bryant is the former Chair of the Health Care Group at Drinker Biddle & Reath and held many management positions within the firm. Ed has participated in more than 240 health industry corporate restructurings and 130 hospital and health system mergers and acquisitions, many involving some of the largest health care providers in the United States. His strategic insights have led Ed to serve on numerous boards of directors, and to chair several of these boards, including a national health care system. Ed is highly regarded by his peers, as demonstrated by his selection as a “Top 100 lawyer,” “Leader in the Field,” and “Super Lawyer.” Ed has served on the law school faculties of Loyola University Chicago and Northwestern University.

Ed’s dignity, compassion, commitment to excellence, and passion for teaching make him a strong role model for aspiring health care attorneys and a worthy namesake of the L. Edward Bryant, Jr. National Health Law Transactional Competition.
The L. Edward Bryant, Jr. National Health Law Transactional Competition seeks to expose law students to the core competencies of the corporate and regulatory practice of health law. Students will be challenged to apply corporate lawyering skills by providing legal advice on a potential business opportunity to a hypothetical health care client. Students will engage in dialogue with practitioners about legal issues currently affecting health care providers.

**Overview**

Three-person teams of J.D. students will be evaluated on both a written submission and an oral presentation. Teams will prepare a legal memorandum that summarizes their legal and business advice for the client. Students will then appear in a boardroom environment before distinguished attorneys and health care executives serving as the client’s “Executive Management Team” to present their analysis of the client’s position and recommendations on how the client should proceed. Students will field questions from the Executive Management Team to test team members’ comprehension of the legal and business issues and to evaluate their skills in legal counseling. The Competition recognizes the best legal memoranda, best oral presentations, and overall winners at a ceremony following oral presentations.

Any law school may enter up to two teams in each year’s Competition. The Competition takes place during the spring semester, with memoranda due in February. Teams travel to Loyola University Chicago School of Law’s Corboy Law Center for oral presentations in March. There is no fee to participate in the Competition. The Beazley Institute will provide breakfast and lunch to all team members and guests on the day of the oral presentations in Chicago. Teams will be expected to cover their own travel and lodging expenses.

**Competition Specifics**

**For More Information**

Competition materials, including past problems, guidelines, and registration deadlines may be found on the competition website at [www.luc.edu/bryantcompetition](http://www.luc.edu/bryantcompetition).

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