Rachel Turow

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Education

J.D., University of Michigan Law School, 2006 (with honors)

M.P.H., University of Michigan School of Public Health, 2006

B.A., Stanford University, 2001 (with honors)

Bar Admissions

District of Columbia

Rachel Turow leverages nearly two decades of experience in food and drug law to guide clients through a full range of FDA-related issues, including corporate transactions, product development, regulatory strategy, enforcement actions and inquiries, policy advocacy and legislative matters. A former regulatory counsel at FDA, Ms. Turow also served as in-house counsel at multinational developers and sellers of highly regulated products.

Her experience spans cosmetics, dietary supplements, food, over-the-counter and prescription drugs, medical devices and combination and digital health products. Ms. Turow works closely with attorneys in Skadden's M&A, litigation and intellectual property practices to provide business-oriented advice to clients on complex legal issues.

Prior to joining Skadden, Ms. Turow oversaw regulatory strategy and compliance in various in-house counsel roles, including at major pharmaceutical manufacturers. Most recently, she led the regulatory legal team at one of the world's largest retailers. She directed a team of lawyers focused on a variety of regulatory issues related to consumer products, reduced legal risks across diverse product categories, developed policies and processes to safeguard business operations, handled regulatory inquires and enforcement actions, and coordinated with the government affairs and litigation teams on high-priority FDA-related issues. Ms. Turow has also driven industrywide advocacy for legislation enacted by Congress and managed relationships with trade groups and policy advocacy organizations.

At FDA, Ms. Turow developed and implemented guidance and regulations, responded to citizen petitions, and advised on issues relating to the approvals of drugs and biological products as part of the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER) and medical devices at the Center for Devices and Radiological Health (CDRH).

Ms. Turow's representations have included:

- International Flavors & Fragrances Inc. in the \$2.85 billion sale of its pharma solutions business unit to Roquette Frères S.A.
- Chimerix, Inc. in its \$935 million acquisition by Jazz Pharmaceuticals plc
- Paratek Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a portfolio company of B-FLEXION and Novo Holdings A/S, in its \$330 million acquisition of OptiNose, Inc.
- BioCryst Pharmaceuticals, Inc. in the sale of its European ORLADEYO business to Neopharmed Gentili S.p.A. for \$250 million upfront and up to \$14 million in future mile-stone payments
- Capitol Hill Group and its related entities, along with Worldwide Golf Shops LLC, in its \$112.7 million acquisition of Big 5 Sporting Goods Corporation
- Banner Life Sciences, LLC in its acquisition by Cycle Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
- Sage Therapeutics, Inc. in the board of directors' exploration of strategic alternatives following its rejection of an unsolicited bid by Biogen Inc. to acquire the remaining share in Sage it did not already own

