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Nicholas Gachassin, III started with Gachassin Law Firm after receiving his LL.M in Health Care Law from Loyola University Chicago School of Law. For the past 30 years, Nicholas provided counsel and guidance to health care providers and health care businesses, including hospitals physicians, home health and hospice agencies, Federally Qualified Health Centers, and ambulatory surgery centers. He also advised community hospitals and service district hospitals on the purchase and lease of facilities, advised physicians on the sale of the practice and employment with hospitals, and advised physician investors on the development of new health care real estate ventures. Nicholas also served as outside general counsel to several hospitals in Louisiana and as Executive Vice President and General Counsel for LHC Group, Inc., where he was responsible for managing LHC's in-house legal department, overseeing the work of outside counsel, and providing timely and effective legal advice on day-to-day operations, company strategy and corporate development.

Nicholas is licensed to practice in Louisiana and Mississippi and is a member of several health care organizations, including the American Health Lawyers Association and the Louisiana Association of Hospital Attorneys. He is a graduate of St. Stanislaus College (a college preparatory High School), Tulane University, Loyola University New Orleans College of Law (JD, with Honors), and Loyola University Chicago School of Law (LL.M - Health Care).

Nicholas and his wife Suzy have been married for over 30 years, have two children and are active members of Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church in Broussard.