

## Fla. Hospital Can Verify Records Request In Med Mal Suit

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A *Law360* article, "Fla. Hospital Can Verify Records Request in Med Mal Suit," highlighted a recent Florida appeals court ruling confirming that a hospital, Shands Jacksonville Medical Center Inc., can seek verification of individuals asking for medical records. Carlton Fields attorneys Christine Davis Graves and James Parker-Flynn represented Shands.

The case, brought by a deceased defendant's representatives, was overturned from lower court when the First District Court of Appeals argued that Shands had the right to establish the legal status of a person requesting patient medical records without forfeiting the right to demand a presuit written medical complaint.

The ruling upholds the state's protections for the privacy of confidential medical information.

Read the article. (Subscription may be required for full access).

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