

## MVP: King & Spalding's Jim Boswell

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*Law360 (October 22, 2020, 3:27 PM EDT)* -- Jim Boswell of King & Spalding LLP's health care practice successfully defended Prime Healthcare against allegations that it submitted false claims, landing him a spot as one of Law360's 2020 Health Care MVPs.

### ***HIS BIGGEST ACCOMPLISHMENT THIS YEAR:***

Boswell represented Prime Healthcare Services Inc. in a lawsuit brought by the California Department of Insurance in Los Angeles County Superior Court over allegations that the hospital system submitted false claims to commercial insurers.

The case, which potentially exposed Prime Healthcare to over \$200 million in liability, went to a trial before the judge, who found in September 2019 that there was no evidence of fraud based on what the government had presented.

"Our client fully felt that they had nothing wrong and had the courage to go all the way to trial, and so we did," Boswell said. "Ultimately, the court heard witnesses and found that the Department of Insurance had put our client on trial for conduct that's not illegal."

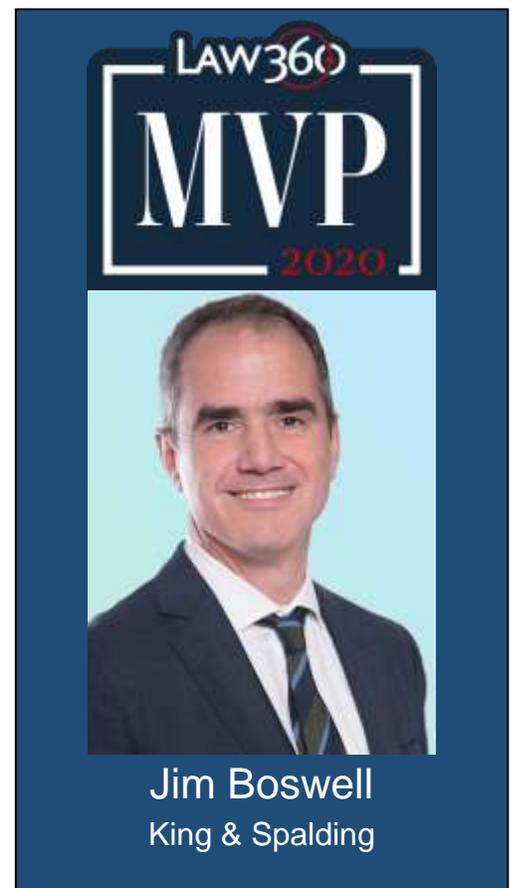
### ***HIS BIGGEST CHALLENGE THIS YEAR:***

Boswell said some of the challenges he's faced this year have been moving several proceedings along during the pandemic, though he said that he has been surprised at the success of conducting hearings, depositions and mediations remotely.

"I saw that there are many ways to litigate a case," he said, adding that the "resilience and flexibility of the people involved go a long way in solving problems under difficult circumstances."

### ***WHY HE'S A HEALTH CARE ATTORNEY:***

Boswell said he was introduced to the industry more than two decades ago, in a trial involving one of the largest health care clients for King & Spalding at the time. Although he "probably had some white



knuckles" at his first trial, Boswell said the experience made him realize that he liked the work and people in the health care field.

He added that his spouse is a physician, and he had enjoyed hearing her stories about being on call in the hospital, as well as "asking her [about] all the hard medical terms."

"That definitely increased my interest in health care," Boswell said.

***HIS ADVICE TO JUNIOR ATTORNEYS:***

One thing Boswell tells junior attorneys is that participation, dedication and education are key in health care law.

"If that is a passion of someone as a young attorney, this is a tremendous field to go into, because there's a never-ending source of new technology to understand, regulations to master and history to get your arms around," he said.

He also recommends that new attorneys work with a "diversity of mentors," saying that their advice and experiences will be something they can call on as they become senior lawyers.

— *As told to Tiffany Hu*

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