

## Firm Secures Denial of Certificate of Need by the Department of Community Health

Today, Robbins Firm attorneys Josh Belinfante and Dan Monahan secured a denial by the Georgia Department of Community Health of an application for a certificate of need to construct a 50-bed comprehensive inpatient physical rehabilitation (“CIPR”) adult program in Henry County, Georgia.

The Robbins Firm opposed the application on behalf Southern Crescent Traumatic Brain Injury Center, a competing healthcare facility dedicated to providing medical and rehabilitation services for individuals who have suffered a traumatic or acquired brain injury, which is also based in Henry County. At an oral hearing on the application, Dan Monahan provided argument for why the applicant, a subsidiary of HealthSouth Corporation, did not satisfy the relevant need criteria or any exceptions to need under applicable Department rules that would warrant the proposed project moving forward.

The Department agreed with the Robbins Firm’s arguments, denying the application based on, among other things, the applicant’s failure to demonstrate need or an exception to need for a new adult CIPR program, as well as on the availability of services from existing providers, including Southern Crescent Traumatic Brain Injury Center, in the relevant service area.

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