

# Michael Smith Regional Ethics Case Competition



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## Judge Profile



**Kathleen Hittner**  
**Emeritus Clinical Professor of Surgery**  
**Brown Medical School**

Kathleen C. Hittner, M.D., moved to Rhode Island with her husband, Barry, in 1979 to begin her long tenure as a clinician and administrator. In October 2012, she retired from her position as senior vice president for community health and perioperative services for the Lifespan system.

Previously, she was the president and chief executive officer of The Miriam Hospital in Providence, R.I., for more than nine years. She practiced Anesthesiology for 35 years at The Miriam Hospital and Roger Williams Medical Center. She has been on the faculty of Brown Medical School since 1979, where she is currently Emeritus clinical professor of surgery in anesthesiology. She has been active in state medical organizations serving as president of both the Rhode Island Society of Anesthesiologists and Rhode Island Medical Society. She and her husband have been active in the community and have served on many non profit boards during their 40 years in R.I.

Dr. Hittner was nominated by the Governor and approved by Rhode Island Senate to be the Health Insurance Commissioner for the state of Rhode Island. She began her role in August 2013 and retired in July 2017.