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Lisa Gibbons, Esq. is a Manager Claims Counsel for Northwell Health System, where she manages the Health System's Western Region medical malpractice claims. Prior to joining Northwell, she was a partner at the law firm of Wilson Elser where she served as a trial attorney handling many of the firm's highest exposure. Prior to that, Lisa served as a senior prosecutor in the Kings County District Attorney's office where she handled sex crimes and domestic violence offenses. Lisa brings an aggressive approach to the defense of her clients. Lisa has lectured in areas of medical malpractice, risk management, excessive force, false arrest, rape, negligence, premises security, preparing expert witnesses, defending against claims of psychological damages. She is a member of the Nassau County Bar Association and Lawyers Roundtable for Pro bono representation of children with special needs. Lisa is an adjunct professor in the Criminal Justice/ Legal Studies program at Molloy College where she teaches courses including Litigation, Domestic Violence, Criminal Law, Women and the Law, Victimology, Juvenile Justice, and Deviant Behavior. Lisa obtained her J.D. from St. John's University School of Law and earned her Master's Degree in Forensic Psychology from John Jay College of Criminal Justice. She is admitted to practice in New York, and in the Southern and Eastern Districts of the United States District Court for New York.

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