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Steve Wirth is a founding member, along with Doug Wolfberg and the late Jim Page, of Page, Wolfberg & Wirth, LLC. The firm represents ambulance services, municipalities, fire departments, hospitals, and other organizations across the country in a wide range of medical transportation, reimbursement, compliance, labor and employment, and corporate law issues. Steve has over 35 years of experience as an EMT, paramedic, flight paramedic, EMS instructor, fire officer, and EMS administrator. He recently completed two terms as a member of the Panel of Commissioners for the Commission on Accreditation of Ambulance Services (CAAS), the national ambulance service accrediting body, and served as Chair during his final term.

Steve is a dynamic and frequently sought after speaker at regional, state and national conferences on a variety of EMS, fire service and public safety subjects. He has authored numerous articles and book chapters on a wide range of EMS management, reimbursement, risk management, corporate compliance and workplace law topics. He is a contributing writer for *Journal of Emergency Medical Services (JEMS)*, and *EMS Insider*. Steve co-authored the highly acclaimed *Ambulance Service Guide to HIPAA Compliance* and numerous other popular compliance manuals and video training programs produced by PWW. He enjoys teaching and is an adjunct professor for the University of Pittsburgh and George Washington University EMS degree programs.

Steve graduated *cum laude* from Duquesne University School of Law and was a member of the school's national trial advocacy competition team. He also has a Masters Degree in Health Services Administration from Gannon University in Erie with an emphasis in organizational behavior. He remains in touch with patient and field provider issues as an active EMT and nationally certified firefighter with Hampden Township Fire Rescue where he serves as Incident Safety Officer and Medical Officer.

Steve is also a life member of the Nippenose Valley Vol. Fire Co. near Jersey Shore, PA where he started his public safety career as a junior firefighter and served as Deputy Fire Chief. He serves on the boards of the Pennsylvania Fire and Emergency Services Institute, the Pennsylvania EMS Providers Foundation, and the Hampden Township Fireman's Relief Association.