

# ROBERT J. ZIMMANCK, MD, FASA

Board-Certified Anesthesiologist · Medicolegal Consultant & Expert Witness

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## PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

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Board-certified anesthesiologist with 13 years of clinical practice, current hospital privileges, and active medical directorship in southeast Wisconsin. Subspecialty experience in obstetric, vascular, and regional anesthesia, with sustained leadership in perioperative quality, patient safety, and mortality review. Fellow of the American Society of Anesthesiologists. Provides independent medicolegal consultation, standard-of-care review, and expert witness testimony in anesthesia-related civil matters.

## MEDICOLEGAL PRACTICE

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Provides standard-of-care review, causation analysis, and expert witness testimony in anesthesia-related civil litigation, including matters involving airway management, perioperative complications, obstetric anesthesia, and regional anesthesia.

Medicolegal practice is approximately 60% defense / 40% plaintiff. Engagements are accepted on their merits; matters in which the medical record does not support the proffered opinion are declined.

## EXPERT WITNESS TESTIMONY

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The following reflects trial and deposition testimony provided. Additional case reviews and consultations have been performed in matters that did not proceed to testimony.

*Jimenez et al. v. Balasubramanian et al.*, Bronx County Supreme Court, New York (2026) — Plaintiff · Anesthesiology / Airway Management & Perioperative Complication

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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### Staff Anesthesiologist

2013 – Present

*Advocate Aurora Healthcare, Southeast Wisconsin*

Provides general, regional, obstetric, and vascular anesthesia across multiple hospitals and ambulatory surgery centers. Maintains active hospital privileges and a full clinical case load alongside medicolegal consulting practice.

### Medical Director

2022 – Present

*Aurora Mount Pleasant Medical Center*

Designed and implemented the anesthesia care team model for a newly opened hospital, including hiring, scheduling, and clinical operations. Developed staffing and compensation structures supporting sustainable, high-quality anesthesia services.

### Co-Medical Director

2016 – Present

*Advocate Aurora Perioperative Surgical Home*

Co-leads a physician-directed clinic for preoperative risk stratification and medical optimization of complex surgical patients. Established evidence-based protocols that reduced same-day surgical cancellations and improved operating room efficiency.

### Co-Medical Director of Anesthesia

2017 – 2021

*Aurora Burlington & Aurora Lakeland Medical Centers*

Directed a team of 9 anesthesiologists and 4 CRNAs across two hospitals and an affiliated ambulatory surgery center. Responsible for clinical operations, staffing, and quality initiatives across both facilities.

### Clinical Assistant Adjunct Professor

2023 – Present

*University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health (Madison)*

Faculty appointment overseeing anesthesia education and clinical training for medical students rotating at Aurora Mount Pleasant Medical Center and affiliated ambulatory surgery centers.

## LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE

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| Board Member (Region 1 Director), Wisconsin Society of Anesthesiologists | 2022 – Present |
| Member, Aurora Healthcare Mortality Review Committee                     | 2024 – Present |
| Member, Anesthesia Division Leadership Council (elected representative)  | 2020 – Present |
| Chair, Aurora Division of Anesthesiology Quality Committee               | 2017 – 2019    |

## CERTIFICATIONS AND LICENSURE

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| <b>Board Certification</b> | American Board of Anesthesiology, Certified 2025–2029; participating in MOCA |
| <b>Fellowship</b>          | Fellow, American Society of Anesthesiologists (FASA)                         |
| <b>Medical License</b>     | Wisconsin Medical License #55000-20, active through October 31, 2027         |
| <b>Life Support</b>        | ACLS · PALS · ATLS   |

## EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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| <b>Residency, Anesthesiology</b>         | Medical College of Wisconsin             | 2013 |
| <b>Internship, Internal Medicine</b>     | Medical College of Wisconsin             | 2010 |
| <b>Doctor of Medicine</b>                | Medical College of Wisconsin             | 2009 |
| <b>Bachelor of Arts, Magna Cum Laude</b> | Augustana College, Rock Island, Illinois | 2005 |

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

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Fellow, American Society of Anesthesiologists (FASA) · Wisconsin Society of Anesthesiologists · Wisconsin Medical Society

## PUBLICATIONS

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- Larkin BG, Zimmanck RJ. Interpreting Arterial Blood Gases Successfully. *AORN Journal*. 2015 Oct;102(4):343–54.
- Zimmanck RJ. Venous Air Embolism During a Routine Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy. *Midwest Anesthesia Residents Conference* (abstract and presentation).
- Yen K, Shane EL, Pawar SS, Schwendel ND, Zimmanck RJ, Gorelick MH. Time Motion Study in a Pediatric Emergency Department Before and After Computer Physician Order Entry. *Annals of Emergency Medicine*. 2009 Apr;53(4):462–468.e1.