FMCSA COVID-19 Extension of Expiring CDLs/CLPs and/or Medical Certificates
FMCSA has issued two important documents (Waiver in Response to the COVID-19 National Emergency and Notice of Enforcement Policy Regarding Expiring Driver’s Licenses and Medical Examiner’s Certificates) to address expiring CDLs/non-CDL commercial driver licenses and medical cards; namely, those otherwise set to expire on or after March 1, 2020, are extended until September 30, 2020. The Extension and Modification of Emergency Declaration No. 2020-002 provides regulatory relief for commercial motor vehicle operations providing direct assistance in support of emergency relief efforts related to COVID-19 and is limited to transportation of (1) livestock and livestock feed; (2) medical supplies and equipment related to the testing, diagnosis, and treatment of COVID-19; and (3) supplies and equipment necessary for community safety, sanitation, and prevention of community transmission of COVID-19 such as masks, gloves, hand sanitizer, soap, and disinfectants. FMCSA has concluded that there is no longer a need for emergency relief with respect to the other categories of supplies, equipment, and persons covered by the May 13 extension and expansion of Emergency Declaration No. 2020-002, and those categories are therefore no longer covered.