

**Curriculum Vita**  
**Amy L. Van Horne**

**Personal Data**

Date of Birth: November 28, 1965

Contact Address: Kutak Rock, LLP, 1650 Farnam Street, Omaha, NE 68102

**Education and Training**

- 2002 University of Iowa College of Law, JD, with distinction  
Articles Editor, Journal of Corporation Law  
Iowa State Bar Association Graduating Senior Award
- 1998 The University of Nebraska at Omaha, M.S., Education
- 1997 The University of Nebraska at Omaha, M.A., English
- 1988 Dana College, B.A., *magna cum laude* (English, Humanities, Education)
  
- 2014 Michigan State University, Certificate in Food Safety
  
- 2014 Nebraska Mediation Association, completed 30 hours basic mediation training
- 2015 Nebraska Mediation Association, completed 30 hours family mediation training

**Employment**

- Partner, Kutak Rock LLP (2008-present)
- Associate, McGrath, North, Mullin & Kratz, PC, LLO (2003-2007)
- Judicial Clerkship, Iowa Supreme Court, Hon. Jerry Larson (2002-2003)
- Teacher, Omaha Public Schools (1988-1999)

**Licensure**

- Iowa
- Nebraska
- United States District Court for the District of Nebraska
- United States District Court for the Southern District of Iowa
- United States District Court for the Northern District of Iowa

**Professional Associations**

- National Academy of Distinguished Neutrals, Diplomate Member
- Fellow, American College of Civil Trial Mediators
- Fellow, Nebraska State Bar Foundation
- Fellow, American Bar Foundation
- American Academy of ADR Attorneys (Iowa certified mediator)
- Nebraska State Bar Association (current member Executive Committee, ADR Section)
- Iowa State Bar Association
- Nebraska Mediation Association
- Iowa Mediation Association
- Robert M. Spire American Inns of Court (past president)
- Omaha Bar Association

## **Recent Publications and Presentations**

“Reaching Kumbaya: Overcoming the Obstacles to Successful Mediation of Environmental Disputes,” *The Federal Lawyer*, June 2018 (co-author)

“Pre-Mediation Planning for Mediation Success” *The Iowa Lawyer*, September 2017

"13 Suggestions to Help Make Your Next Mediation a Success" *The Nebraska Lawyer*, January/February 2017

"Pro Bono in the 21st Century" *The Nebraska Lawyer*, January/February 2014

Panelist “Navigating Day-in-Day-Out Mediation: Effective Preparation and Ethical Consideration”, Nebraska State Bar Association 2024 Annual Meeting, October 2024

“Practical Tips for Mediation Negotiation,” NSBA Young Lawyers 2020 YLS Best Practices Seminar, March 13, 2020 (presenter)

“Mediation Ethics: Stories From the Trenches” (Live Webinar), Iowa State Bar Association, November 19, 2019 (presenter)

“The Psychology of Conciliation,” 2019 HUD Region VII Conference hosted by the Nebraska Equal Opportunity Commission, August 7, 2019 (presenter)

“Ten Ways to be More Persuasive in Your Next Mediation,” Nebraska State Bar Association Young Lawyers Section, May 2019 (presenter)

“A Mediation Primer,” Nebraska Defense Counsel Association, April 2019 (presenter)

“Addressing Damages at Mediation,” Nebraska Association of Trial Lawyers, April 2018 (presenter)

“A Baker’s Dozen Tips for Mediation Success,” Lincoln Legal Professionals Association, February 2018 (presenter)

“Making the Most of Mediation,” Nebraska State Bar Association Labor Relations & Employment Law Seminar, June 2017 (panelist)

“Making Your Mediation Successful—Highlighting Gender Issues in Mediation,” Nebraska Defense Counsel Association Annual Meeting and Seminar, June 2017 (panelist)

## **Community Activities**

Former Adjunct Professor, Alternative Dispute Resolution, Creighton University School of Law

Legal Aid of Nebraska, Board of Directors, Chair

NSBA Tenant Assistance Project Volunteer