## Gary B. Blum, Esq.

Current Employer-Title Silver & DeBoskey, P.C. – Director

Profession Attorney, Arbiter, Mediator

Work History Director, Silver & DeBoskey, P.C., 2001-present; Shareholder, Long & Jaudon, P.C., 1978-01; Assistant Attorney General, Colorado Attorney General, 1975-78; Deputy Public Defender, Colorado State Public Defender's Office, 1971-75.

**Experience** Forty years' experience in litigation and dispute resolution. Actively practices in the areas of dispute resolution and civil litigation, involving areas of expertise including medical/hospital negligence, health care, health care provider issues including fraud, professional liability, professional licensure/credentialing, employment, restrictive covenants, peer review, home health care and administrative law. Other areas of expertise and practice include torts, product liability, insurance contract interpretation, commercial disputes.

Also experienced in complex civil litigation, commercial/fraud claims, and administrative law including defense of federal/OSHA claims, employment/wrongful termination litigation, representation of religious entities and individuals. Prior experience includes serving as a Deputy Public Defender trying all types of criminal matters including felonies and as an Assistant Attorney General trying both state and federal civil jury trials as well as a wide variety of administrative matters, particularly in the health care area. Frequently invited lecturer/participant in various seminars, mock trials and Continuing Legal Education programs dealing with dispute resolution, motion practice, structured settlements, bad faith, use of demonstrative evidence, use of experts, and hospital medical liability litigation.

Participant in classroom lectures and teaching at the University of Colorado and University of Denver College of Law in similar subjects. Provides expert analysis and testimony regarding attorney conduct including areas involving fee disputes and conflict of interest issues.

Alternative Dispute Resolution Experience Member of the American Arbitration Association Commercial and Mediation Panels for over 25 years. I have arbitrated and/or mediated hundreds of cases in both areas. Mediated various commercial, tort conflicts including professional negligence, healthcare, product liability, motor vehicle, and insurance contracts interpretation. Advocate in hundreds of both arbitration/mediation cases. Has experience with large complex multi-party cases and with three-member arbitration panels including being panel chair routinely, as well as serving as sole arbitrator. Experienced in contract interpretation including healthcare, various policies of insurance (Federal Crop Insurance, life, health, disability, broker/dealer, casualty and liability policies). Also has experience with large commercial contract disputes including

matters involving anti-competitive conduct, patent/trademark issues and environmental matters.

Alternative Dispute Resolution Training/Teaching ABA Section of Dispute Resolution - 13th Annual Spring Conference 4/2011; Prescriptions for Payor Provider Disputes: Implementing the New AAA Healthcare Payor Provider Arbitration Rules 5/4/2011; 2010 Fourth Annual Colorado Statewide ADR Conference (11/4/2010); 2010 AAA Advanced Mediator Training (6/18/2010), 2009 AAA and ICDR Neutrals Conference, Colorado Statewide ADR Conference on Excellence in Dispute Resolution (10/24/08), AAA course "Developments in the Colorado Law of Arbitration" (10/25/07), ADR & Mediation in Health Care (3/16/07), Ethics in Negotiation and Mediation(2/15/07), AAA course "Chairing an Arbitration Panel Managing Procedures, Process & Dynamics (12/30/2006)", AAA course "Dealing with Delay Tactics in Arbitration (1/12/2006), AAA arbitration update 10/05, AAA Roundtable 3/05, attended AAA Neutrals Conference, San Antonio, 3/04; Arbitrator Ethics and Disclosure, San Antonio, 3/04; Arbitration Awards: Safeguarding, Deciding & Writing Awards, San Antonio, 3/04; AAA neutrals roundtable program 8/04, arbitrators update 11/04, ADR Ethical Issues seminar 12/04, Annual Arbitrator Update 2002; AAA Commercial Arbitrator II Training, Denver, 6/02; AAA Commercial Arbitrator Training, Denver, 3/99; American Health Lawyers, Mediator Training Program, 1999; DRI Mediation and Arbitration Seminar, 6/98; AAA Mediator Training, Denver, 4/93.

**Professional Licenses** Admitted to the Bar: Colorado, 1971; U.S. District Court, District of Colorado, 1971; U.S. Court of Appeals, Tenth Circuit, 1985; U.S. Supreme Court, 1985.

Professional Associations/Honors American Board of Trial Advocates (Colorado Chapter, President 2006-2007); Colorado Bar Association (Board of Governors; ADR Section; Litigation Section; Health Law section, Ethics Committee, Past Chairman); Colorado Trial Lawyers Association; Colorado Defense Lawyers Association; American Association for Justice; Colorado Supreme Court (Standing Committee re: Colorado Rules of Professional Conduct 2005 to present, Civil Discovery Reform Committee; Grievance Committee, Past Vice Chairman); U.S. District Court, District of Colorado (Committee on Conduct, Past Chair); Faculty of Federal Advocates, Past Board of Directors; Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee); Denver Bar Association; American Health Lawyers Association. Listed in Best Lawyers in America for 2005-2011 in both Alternative Dispute Resolution and Health Care Law, Colorado "Super Lawyers" 2006-2011 in Alternative Dispute Resolution, Health Care and Administrative Law; recipient of Public Justice 2009 Trial Lawyer of the Year award; recipient of Colorado Bar Association Don W. Sears Ethics Award 2009.

Education University of Colorado (BS-1968; JD-1971).

References and Compensation furnished upon request