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#### LEGAL EMPLOYMENT

Arbiter, Judicial Arbiter Group, 2000-present (ADR services, including mediation, arbitration, case evaluation, and mock presentations)

Judge, Colorado Court of Appeals, 1992-1999 (authored 600+ opinions and sat on three-judge divisions that decided 1,200+ more)

Partner, Hutchinson Black & Cook, Boulder, 1978-1992 (broad spectrum of complex civil litigation)

Asst. A.G., Antitrust, Colorado Attorney General, 1976-78 (enforcement of state antitrust laws)

Law Clerk, Chief Judge Arraj, U. S. District Court, 1975-76 (research and draft opinions)

### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND HONORS

Colorado Bar Association – President, 2004-05; Vice-President, 1992-93; Chair, Awards Committee, 2007-08; Executive Council, 1990-93; Professionalism Reform Task Force, 2002-present; Alternative Dispute Resolution Forum Committee, 1994-present; Executive Council, 1994-1997; Budget Committee, 2 terms; Chair, Law Day Committee, 1991-92

Colorado Judicial Institute – Board of Directors – 2007 - Present

Charter Member, Colorado Chapter of the National Academy of Distinguished Neutrals

Colorado Legal Aid Foundation - Board of Trustees, 2004-05

Denver Bar Association – Representative to CBA Board of Governors, 2001-2003; Nominating Committee, 2002

Boulder County Bar Association - President, 1986-87; Representative to CBA Board of Governors, 1989-97; Board of Directors, 1984-87; Chair, Judiciary Committee, 1983-84; Colorado Coordinator, Bar Leaders for Preservation of Legal (Colorado Pledge Liaison, 1991-92); Various Bar Committees, 1978 - 1992

Colorado Reform Roundtable, CBA and CJI Representative, 2010 – Present (Bipartisan coalition of business and civic organizations seeking to address Colorado State Government financial crisis)

Colorado's Future, Advisory Board, 2010 – Present (Bipartisan coalition seeking to address the Colorado constitutional crisis)

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND HONORS (cont)

- Referendum C & D Coalition, CBA Representative, 2006-07 (Bipartisan coalition of business and civic organizations seeking to address Colorado State Government financial crisis)
- University of Colorado Distinguished Alumni Award (Judicial and ADR), 2003 CLE Speaker, "Fundamentals of Mediation," Judicial Arbiter Group, February 19, 2010
- CLE Speaker & Panelist, "Introduction to Arbitration", Colorado Statewide ADR Conference, October 24, 2008
- CLE Speaker, "Mediating Medical Malpractice Cases", Colorado Bar Association, August 27, 2008
- Judge, Peter H. Holme Jr. Barrister's Cup Appellate Advocacy Competition Final Rounds, University of Denver Sturm College of Law, April 6, 2008
- Judge, Natural Resources and Environmental Law Society, Appellate Advocacy Final Rounds, University of Denver Sturm College of Law, February 17, 2007
- CLE Panelists, "Ethics In Negotiations And Mediations," Colorado Bar Association, February 15, 2007
- CLE Speaker, "How To Handle Lawyers in Mediation," CBA Mediation Training, January 20, 2007.
- D.U. Graduate School Presentation, ADR Program "Mediation, Arbitration, Litigation: Advantages and Disadvantages," April 28, 2006
- D.U. Law School Presentation, "Arbitration: Legal Framework and Current Issues," April 11, 2006
- CLE Speaker, Panelist Re Model Rules and Mediator Certification, CBA Mediation Training, January 19, 2006
- CLE Speaker, "Ethics in Employment Law Mediation," CLE Inc., December 9, 2005
- CLE Speaker, "How To Use Mediation Effectively," Ethics in Mediation Negotiations," "How to Use Arbitration Effectively," National Institute of Trial Advocacy, Federal Bar of Puerto Rico, October 6-7, 2005
- CLE Speaker, "Discovery Under Colorado's Revised Uniform Arbitration Act", Colorado Bar Association, July 28, 2004
- CLE Speaker, "Oops! Violating Your Ethical Duties One of the Ten Major Mistakes Lawyers Make in Mediation", Colorado Bar Association, February 20, 2004
- CLE Speaker, "Arbitration in 2003," SE Metropolitan Law Club, June 2, 2003 CLE Speaker, "Zealous Advocacy The Route Of Many Evils, Colorado Municipal League, October 4, 2002
- CLE Speaker, "What's Happening In Arbitration," Tuesdays At the Bar, Denver Bar Association, June 11, 2002; Boulder County Bar Association, June 19, 2002

# PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND HONORS (cont)

- CLE Speaker, "Hot Buttons In Employment Arbitration", Plaintiff's Employment Lawyers' Association, April 26, 2002
- Judge, Regional Finals, Appellate Moot Court Competition, University of Colorado School of Law, February 21, 2002
- CLE Speaker, "Preparing Your Client For The Personal Injury Mediation Conference," Colorado Trial Lawyers Association, Blockbuster Auto Seminar January 31, 2002
- CLE Speaker, "Preparation Before The Mediation," Colorado Springs Inns of Court, January 17, 2002
- CLE Speaker, "The Lawyer's Role in Preparing for Effective Mediation," Boulder County Bar Association, September 12, 2001
- CLE Speaker, "The Lawyer's Role in Preparing for Effective Mediation," Tuesdays At the Bar, Denver Bar Association, June 19, 2001
- Speaker, "Separation of Powers," AARP Alameda Hilltop Chapter 3899, June 14, 2001
- Speaker, "The Dark Side of the Ballot Initiative Amending Constitutions," VIVA Learning In Retirement Program, University College, University of Denver, April 5, 2001
- Presenter, Mediation Simulation, University of Denver College Of Law, September 27 & October 2, 2000
- CLE Speaker, "Lawyer Malaise and Our Rules of Professional Conduct," Colorado Bar Association Convention, September 19, 2000
- CLE Speaker, "The 'Rust Out' of Lawyers," Colorado Defense Lawyers Association Convention, August 18, 2000
- CLE Speaker, "Regaining Civility as Advocates," Colorado Trial Lawyers Convention," August 10, 2000
- Speaker, "Privacy and the Workplace," VIVA Learning In Retirement Program, University College, University of Denver, Feb. 29, 2000
- Speaker, "Musings on Lawyers and Lawyering," Appellate Subcommittee of The C.B.A. Litigation Section, 2000
- Speaker, "Persuasive Legal Writing," C.U. Law School, 2000
- CLE Speaker & Panelist, Appellate Practice Nuts and Bolts,
- "Tips on Legal Writing," El Paso County Bar Association, 2000
- CLE Speaker, "Negotiation, Mediation, Arbitration, Litigation What's A Lawyer To Do?", 1 hr CLE program for various Denver Law Firms, 2000
- Judge, Regional Finals, Appellate Moot Court Competition, University of Colorado School of Law, 2000
- Judge, Barrister's Cup Competition, Appellate Advocacy Finals Competition), University of Denver School of Law, 1999

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES (cont)

Resolution," 1995

Judge, Appellate Moot Court Competition, University of Colorado School of Law, 1998

Panelist, American Bar Association's Section of Dispute Resolution, "How To Succeed With Mediation" (speaker on public policy issues), 1998

Speaker and Panelist, C.U. Law School, Appellate Advocacy "Tips for Oral Argument," 1998

Judge, National Institute of Trial Advocacy Regional Training, 1998

Speaker & Panelist, Colorado Appellate Practice Seminar, "Golden Bullets – Procedural Bars To Appeals," 1997

Speaker & Panelist, CCMO Spring Conference, "What Do Judges And Mediators Need From Each Other?" Colorado Judicial Institute, 1997

Speaker, "The Appellate Court System," Kiwanis Club, 1998 CLE Speaker, CBA Convention, "Inherent Inaccuracies in Judicial

Colorado Council Of Mediators And Mediation Organizations, 1990-present ADR Coalition 1994-1997 (Chair, Legislative Process Task Force, Steering Committee)

CLE Speaker, "Appellate Mediation," Appellate Court Staff, 1994 Judge, Regional Rounds, Annual Moot Court Competition, University of Colorado School of Law, 1993

Speaker, "Appellate Settlement Conferences," University of Denver College of Law, 1993

Speaker, "Advantages of ADR," Beyond Dispute, Inc. Seminar, 1992 Adjunct Professor, Negotiations and Conflict Resolution, University of Colorado School of Law, 1992

Trainer, Mediation Training Workshop, American Arbitration Association, 1992

Speaker, Communications & Conflict, Department of Communications, University of Colorado, 1991

Volunteer, Boulder County Mediation Project, 1990-92

Contract Mediator, Office Of Dispute Resolution, 1991-92

National Institute of Trial Advocacy, Basic and Advanced Training

Mediation and Arbitration Panels, American Arbitration Association, 1990-92 Associate Mediator, CDR Associates, 1991-92

**Judge, Student Moot Court and Appellate Arguments, 1980-87** 

Award, Outstanding Voluntary Legal Services, Eco-Cycle of Boulder, 1984

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- "Pretrial Bashor Agreements After Nunn v. Mid-Century", 40 Colo. Law. 53 (July 2011)
- "CBA, LBAs, and Symbiosis", CBA President's Message to Members, 33 Colo. Law. 37 (July, 2004)
- "The CBA, TABOR, and the Judicial Funding Crisis," CBA President's Message to Members, 33 Colo. Law. 65 (August, 2004)
- "Separation of Powers, the CBA, And the LPC," CBA President's Message to Members, 33 Colo. Law. 23 (September, 2004)
- "Computer Chaos: There Really Is No Place Like Home," CBA President's Message to Members, 33 Colo. Law. 83 (October 2004)
- "The Shadow Side of the Right to Vote: The Ballot Initiative," CBA President's Message to Members, 33 Colo. Law. 47 (November 2004)
- "A Pause For Seasons, Celebrations, And the Image of Lawyers," CBA President's Message to Members, 33 Colo. Law. 23 (December 2004)
- "The Myth and the Mischief of Zealous Advocacy," CBA President's Message To Members, 34 Colo. Law. 33 (January 2005)
- "Of Elections, Religion, and Lawyers," CBA President's Message to Members, 34 Colo. Law. 21 (February 2005)
- "The Pernicious Ripple Effects of Unrealistic Billable-Hour Expectations," CBA President's Message to Members, 34 Colo. Law. 21 (March 2005)
- "Diane Hartman, Queen of Communications," CBA President's Message to Members, 34 Colo. Law. 25 (April 2005)
- "Professionalism Personified," CBA President's Message to Members, 34 Colo. Law. 23 (May 2005)
- "Sailing Away on a Stream of Consciousness," CBA President's Message to Members, 34 Colo. Law. 23 (June 2005)
- "Initiative Process Runs Amok", Denver Post, Perspective Section, Sunday, April 6, 2003
- "Delete Zealous, Ethics Opinion", Colorado Journal, Vol. 26, No. 29, Wednesday, July 17, 2002
- "ADR in Colorado: Past and Present," Centennial Issue of Colorado Lawyer, 26 Colo. Law. 103 (June, 1997)
- "1992 Law Day A Happening", 20 Colo. Law. 2491 (Dec. 1991)
- "Business Mediation," Ask A Lawyer Column, Boulder Daily Camera, November 16, 1991
- "Amending Indictments in Colorado, Rule 6.8, Colorado Rules of Criminal Procedure," 6 Colo. Lawyer 765 (May 1977)
- "Application of the 'Service Connection' Standard Since Relford Codification or Confusion?" Case Note, 45 U. Colo. L. Rev. 249 (1973)

#### **ADR TRAINING**

CDR & Associates, Mediation, 1987 (40 hour course)

CDR & Associates, The Mediation Process 1990 (40 hour course)

American Arbitration Association, Basic and Advanced Arbitration Training, 1990-91

Advanced Commercial Mediation Institute, Association of Conflict Resolution, in association with the Harvard Negotiation Project and the American Arbitration Association, October 25 - 26, 2006

**Continuing Legal Education Courses in Mediation and Arbitration** 

### **EDUCATION**

University of Colorado School of Law, Juris Doctor, May, 1975; Class Standing 2/138; Faculty Selection, Outstanding Freshman; American Jurisprudence Book Awards (Highest Grade in Class) Torts, Criminal Law, Contracts, Property, Corporations, Uniform Commercial Code University of California, Berkeley, Graduate Study in Social Psychology, Fall 1969; Fellowship, National Institute of Mental Health University of Michigan, Bachelor of Arts, May, 1970, Major in Sociology; Scholastic Avg. 3.8.

Oklahoma State University, 1965-67; President's Scholarship; President's List (4.0); Advisory Council to University President; Intercollegiate Knights; Beta Theta Pi Fraternity, Pledge Class President, Pledge Scholarship Award Frederick High School, Frederick, Oklahoma, H.S. Diploma 1965; Co-Valedictorian; Most Likely To Succeed