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#### **Education**

University of Denver Sturm  
College of Law, J.D., 1994  
Denver University Law Review,  
Contributor  
Appellate Advocacy Oral and  
Writing Awards  
Trial Skills Award

Muhlenberg College, A.B.,  
Philosophy, 1987

#### **Practice Areas**

Commercial  
Employment  
Intellectual Property  
Investigations / Compliance  
Personal Injury Defense  
Product Liability  
Professional Liability

#### **Industries**

Construction & Engineering  
Consumer Products & Services  
Financial Services  
Industrial Equipment  
Information Technology  
Insurance  
Manufacturing  
Professional Services  
Telecommunications

Julie Walker has extensive experience as a trial lawyer representing individuals and businesses in federal and state courts as well as in arbitrations and mediations. She has handled complex litigation for all types of businesses in a variety of matters involving construction, professional liability, product liability, complicated torts, and employment and contract disputes.

Julie has occupied leadership positions in a number of professional legal organizations, including the Defense Research Institute, Colorado Civil Justice League, and American Inns of Court. She received the Judge William E. Doyle American Inn of Court Mentoring Award and is a member of the NITA Faculty. Julie is a former member of the Colorado Bar Association Ethics Committee and an advisor to the firm on ethics matters.

Following is a representative list of litigation matters Julie has handled:

#### Construction

Defended international construction management firm in complex construction defect litigation brought by public housing authority.

Defended protective coatings consultant against personal injury claims.

Tried to defense verdict contract dispute arising out of construction of retail mall. Affirmed on appeal.

Defended engineering firm against claim of malpractice in design and management of construction of wastewater treatment facility.

Defended general contractor against claims by injured workers of steel erector subcontractor.

Defended crane manufacturer against products liability claims in conjunction with construction accident.

Represented structural steel manufacturer and erector in pursuit of delay cost impact claim arising out of ski resort construction.

Defended oil refinery in suit seeking additional compensation from general

contractor.

Defended construction manager against claims mismanagement in complex dispute involving general contractor and municipality arising out of jail expansion.

Prosecuted construction defect claim on behalf of owner of apartment complex against builder.

Represented concrete foundation contractor in all areas of construction-related disputes.

#### Product Liability

National trial counsel for global shoe manufacturer.

Defended pharmaceutical company against mass tort claims.

#### Employment

Defended computer networking firm against discrimination charges.

Defended global engineering firm against discrimination charges.

Defended broker/dealer against executive breach of contract claim.

Obtained summary judgment on behalf of employer against breach of employment contract claim.

Prosecuted non-compete agreement on behalf of construction-related company against former employee.

Prosecuted non-compete agreement on behalf of computer networking firm against former sales employee.

#### Financial/Professional Services

Defended national lender against claims of conspiracy, mortgage fraud, and lender liability.

Defended national lender against breach of contract claim for loan repurchase agreement.

Defended broker/dealer against multiple cases alleging securities fraud. Tried to verdict.

Defended wholesale insurance broker in complex litigation involving commercial property coverage.

Obtained summary judgment on behalf of law firm in action alleging claims of

securities fraud, legal malpractice.

Represented Fortune 100 lender in various mortgage-related actions including class actions alleging TILA, RESPA violations.

Represented national finance company in variety of commercial credit disputes.

Defended individual officer and director liability claims arising out of alleged corporate malfeasance/shareholder litigation.

#### Contracts

Tried to verdict commercial landlord's eviction proceeding, including award of attorneys' fees for landlord-client.

Defended agricultural products producer against breach of contract claims.

Represented computer networking solutions provider in contract negotiations and enforcement.

Six week trial to verdict contract dispute between cardiac surgeon and hospital regarding surgery privileges.

Tried to defense verdict contract dispute between product manufacturer and supplier.

Tried to defense verdict contract dispute arising out of commercial pool installation.

#### **Admitted to Practice**

Colorado

U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado

#### **Other Practice Experience**

Burns, Figa & Will, P.C.

Petrie, Bauer, Vriesman & Edgington LLP

Reinhart, Boerner, Van Deuren, Norris & Rieselbach P.C.

Kirkland & Ellis

#### **Teaching Positions**

National Institute for Trial Advocacy

Rocky Mountain Regional Basic Trial Skills Program, 2010

Program for Public Service Lawyers, 2007

Rocky Mountain Regional Basic Trial Skills Program, 2006-2007

#### **Legal Memberships**

The Legal 500 United States

Litigation: Product Liability and Mass Tort Defense, 2009-2010

DRI Women in Law Committee

Website Committee Chair, 2010-2011  
DRI Women's Seminar - Sharing Success  
Advisory Committee, 2008-2010  
International Association of Defense Counsel  
Council on Litigation Management  
Colorado Civil Justice League  
Member, Board of Directors, 2007-2008  
American Bar Association  
Colorado Bar Association  
Ethics Committee  
Denver Bar Association  
American Inns of Court  
Judge William E. Doyle American Inn of Court  
President, 2005-2006  
Historian  
Mentoring Award  
Wheeler Trigg O'Donnell Recruiting Committee  
Member  
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#### **Community Memberships, Activities, and Honors**

Colorado Lawyers for the Arts  
Board of Directors  
National Association of Women Business Owners  
Muhlenberg College  
Board of Trustees, 1998-2000  
Pine Lane School Accountability Committee, 2005-2006, 2008

#### **Articles and Presentations**

The Myth of Contractual Immunity, presented at Association of Industrial Hygiene Contractors Conference (May 2010)

Green Building in Colorado: Know the Risks!, presented at Wheeler Trigg O'Donnell (Nov. 2009)

Cross-Examination of Plaintiff's Expert Witness - What's Your Battleplan?, Faculty Member, Defense Research Institute Young Lawyer's Conference (June 2007)

Meaning and Practice of Professional Ethics Symposium, Participant, University of Denver Sturm College of Law (Apr. 2006)

Second Annual Legal Ethics Seminar, Panelist, University of Denver Sturm College of Law (Apr. 2004)

End of the Representation, 32 Colo. Law. 59 (Oct. 2003)

Anti-Stalking Legislation: Can It Protect the Victim Without Violating the Rights of the Accused?, 71 Denv. U. L. Rev. 273 (1994)