Wheeler Trigg O'Donnell

"They know our business inside and out" – Chambers USA 2025 Ranks WTO

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Our clients told Chambers we are "right at the top . . . for client service and the quality of advocacy," "an extension of our business," "real trial lawyers," and "some of the most skilled defense lawyers . . . anywhere in the nation." They said, "everyone on the team is incredibly responsive and provides the highest degree of service."

We appreciate the high rankings we received nationally and in Colorado, but we really cherish having earned our clients' trust. Thank you to all our clients for making possible the professional joy and fulfillment we feel from helping you win.

Our 2025 Chambers USA rankings and highlights of client feedback follow.

Colorado General Commercial Litigation

Firm ranking: Band 1

Lawyer rankings:

Michael O'Donnell, Eminent Practitioner

Carolyn Fairless, Band 1

Hugh Gottschalk, Band 1

Related Professionals

Peter W. Herzog III
Partner

Raymond W. Martin

Katie Reilly, Band 2

Michael Williams, Band 3

Client feedback:

"Everyone on the team is incredibly responsive and provides the highest degree of service."

"The firm is right at the top of the list for any form of legal advice in terms of both client service and the quality of advocacy."

"It has really tough trial lawyers and is one of the strongest law firms in Denver."

"The firm's commercial litigation department houses some of the most skilled defense lawyers to be found anywhere in the nation."

Colorado Litigation: Appellate

Lawyer ranking: **Frederick Yarger** - Band 1

Nationwide Law Firm Defense

Lawyer ranking: **Carolyn Fairless** - Band 1

Nationwide Product Liability & Mass Torts: The Elite

Firm ranking: Band 4

Lawyer rankings:

Michael O'Donnell, Band 4

Michael Williams, Band 5

Peter W. Herzog III, Band 6

Client feedback:

"What sets them apart is that they know our business inside and out. They are an extension of our business and they

Partner

Frederick R. Yarger
Partner

Hugh Q. Gottschalk
Partner

know how to defend us strategically."

"They are entrepreneurial and great in terms of their customer service. The firm is really set up to do complicated advocacy."

"They are real trial lawyers who evaluate cases from the outset in terms of how to develop our strongest chance to prevail at trial."

Colorado Labor & Employment

Firm ranking: Band 3

Lawyer ranking: **Raymond Martin** - Band 1

Client feedback:

"What sets them apart is that they know our business very well and can advise us with that knowledge."

Wheeler Trigg O'Donnell lawyers have taken more than 1,100 trials and arbitrations to verdict or award and 300 appeals to opinion all across the nation, with exceptional results for our clients.

Established in 1998, WTO today numbers more than 110 trial lawyers and litigators. The firm represents sophisticated clients in high-stakes civil trials, appeals, and related litigation ranging from complex commercial to class actions to catastrophic torts.

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