

Commercial Litigation



For 19 consecutive years, Chambers has ranked our commercial litigation team in Band 1 for Colorado. Benchmark Litigation ranks us among the top 20 trial firms nationally.

Clients tell Chambers we are:

- “Results-oriented team players who think in a three-dimensional way.”
- “Able to solve problems others have not been able to solve.”
- The “firm of choice for our most complex and sophisticated matters.”

“I have never come across a better firm,” said a fourth.

They say that because we understand that litigation too often devolves into trench warfare – endless motions, tactical maneuvering, mounting fees – while critical business issues remain unresolved.

We don’t operate like that. We quickly identify the key business issues and design a strategy to reach the right outcome without needless delay. We work unconstrained by traditional litigation playbooks and conventional thinking and attack the problem relentlessly until we find the path to success. Our trial experience lets us see how a case will play out, exposing weaknesses in our opponents’ positions and driving favorable resolutions at trial or before. And we deploy

dedicated efficient teams with full command of the case, the documents, and the details - and use that mastery to find advantages.

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– Client Comment to Chambers USA

Cases

Won a jury verdict for DISH Wireless in a cell tower contract dispute worth hundreds of millions of dollars, and successfully defended that victory on appeal.

Won a jury verdict in a dispute over the proceeds of a pharmaceutical clinical trial, prevailing on all claims including civil theft, fraud, conversion, and breach of fiduciary duty.

Representing several of the nation’s largest corporations in corporate recovery actions in matters involving hundreds of millions in benefits payments.

Defended a national space and satellite company against claims of fraud, negligence, and violations of Colorado non-compete statutes, leading to a successful resolution of the matter.

Secured voluntary dismissal of RICO claims in Texas federal court for a transportation industry client.

Advising a global energy company on litigation risk and mitigation efforts in connection with billion-dollar infrastructure projects.

Recovered \$50 million for a global technology and telecommunications company from another telecom provider in a contract dispute over service fees.

Secured a business resolution allowing our global technology and telecommunications company client to recover its entire \$50 million claim in an indemnification dispute with a contractor stemming from a wildfire.

Representing an oil and gas company in a regulatory appeal involving \$100+ million development efforts.

Won a jury verdict in a \$50 million commercial dispute involving breach of fiduciary duty, corporate waste, and embezzlement claims in a two-week trial in Los Angeles Superior Court. We won dismissal of the corporate waste claim before the jury began deliberations, and the jury found that our client did not embezzle money.

Served as trial counsel to a large chemical company in a confidential arbitration involving over \$1 billion in claims arising from the sale of proprietary technology.

Represented an oil and gas company as post-trial and appellate counsel to defend a verdict of over \$40 million in a complex commercial dispute involving an agreement to develop hydrocarbon assets.

Won a groundbreaking appeal to vacate a \$150 million arbitration award that had been entered against the majority owner of Colorado cannabis corporation when he was represented by another law firm.

Successfully represented a party in a \$2 billion dispute surrounding the future ownership of the Broncos NFL franchise and family trust.

Served as co-counsel to an oil and gas company in an \$80 million dispute. During mediation, we helped effect a buyout solution resulting in valuable land rights and resolving the lawsuit for a small fraction of what it would have cost to settle.

Won a trial verdict as co-counsel for a large financial services provider in a \$75 million dispute over the company's allegedly excessive fees.

Won a \$1.25 billion exit fee dispute for an electric distributor against its generation and transmission provider.

Won the appeal to end a bitter ownership fight for a \$1 billion oil and gas company.

Won summary judgment for Crestone Peak Resources against Boulder County in a case involving an attempt to invalidate a key oil and gas lease that would have materially impacted Crestone's \$900 million investment, thereby clearing a major hurdle to significant future development.

Successfully represented Aimco, a publicly-traded apartment REIT, in nationwide litigation alleging business torts against Airbnb. After jury selection in the first trial, Airbnb settled all litigation on terms allowing Aimco to control short-term rental activity consistent with its contract and property rights.

Won a defense verdict as co-counsel to defeat \$800 million claims in a bet-the-company shareholder dispute involving an oil and gas client.

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