

Daniel J. DeLay

Associate

✉ DELAY@WTOTRIAL.COM

☎ 303.244.1985



Won Jury Verdict
for Healthcare
Professionals

Daniel DeLay defends health care professionals and organizations in complex medical malpractice disputes in jurisdictions throughout the country. He is a valuable advocate for his clients and has experience handling a wide range of courtroom activities, including voir dire, direct examination of experts and fact witnesses, and cross-examinations. Daniel has served as second chair in multiple trials across jurisdictions.

Daniel previously handled healthcare professional liability matters, along with employment and commercial litigation, as an associate in a national law firm's Denver office. He also brings to his client representation invaluable skills, experience, and perspectives gained from having been a

founder and principal of a business providing legal-related and other consulting services, and an Investigator for the Office of the Colorado State Public Defender.

Daniel's personal interests include snowboarding, traveling, and rooting for the Denver Nuggets.

Credentials

Education

University of Denver Sturm College of Law, J.D., 2018

Ohio Wesleyan University, B.A., 2010, Economics

RECOGNITION

The Best Lawyers in America

Ones to Watch - Commercial Litigation, 2023-2027

Ones to Watch - Medical Malpractice Law - Defendants, 2023-2027

GOVERNMENT SERVICE

Judicial Intern to The Honorable David Richman, Colorado Court of Appeals

Investigator, Office of the Colorado State Public Defender

LEGAL MEMBERSHIPS

Colorado Defense Lawyers Association

Colorado Hispanic Bar Association

Defense Research Institute

BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

Colorado

U.S. District Court, D. Colorado

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Messner Reeves, LLP

Practices

Catastrophic Injury
Healthcare Litigation

Cases

Won a defense jury verdict for healthcare professionals facing negligence claims in Seattle, Washington. The plaintiff claimed failure to timely diagnose cauda equina syndrome that led to permanent bowel and bladder incontinence. After plaintiff's counsel asked the jury for \$40 million, jurors returned a unanimous verdict for our clients.

Won a defense jury verdict in Hawaii for a hospital in a multi-million dollar wrongful death case.

Won summary judgment in a medical malpractice case for a hospital and two physicians in New Mexico on plaintiffs' claims for "ordinary" negligence, negligence per se, breach of contract, and breach of express and implied warranty.

Won an arbitration defending a Fortune 500 client in a Fair Labor Standards Act claim in Kansas City, Kansas.

Won a defense jury verdict in El Paso County, Colorado, defending an oral surgeon who performed an extraction resulting in infection in which \$800,000 in damages were sought.

Won a defense jury verdict in El Paso County, Colorado, defending a dentist in a \$1 million failure to diagnose cancer case.
