Wheeler Trigg O'Donnell

Government Litigation

Government Litigation Success Leads to Law360 "Colorado Powerhouses"

Led by the former Solicitor General of Colorado, our team guides clients through strategic, industry-critical challenges to laws and regulations, including:

- Protecting companies from laws that violate constitutional principles
- Enjoining legislation that adversely affect assets and operations
- Pursuing regulatory challenges on business-critical issues

Our team combines litigation excellence with a deep understanding of government, enabling us to craft nuanced strategies–from pursuing relief in multiple venues to assembling coalitions of supportive stakeholders. We work closely with clients to balance their strategic objectives and keep business priorities at the forefront.

Cases

Represented a leading ride-sharing technology company in a federal lawsuit seeking to enjoin Colorado legislation for violation of our client's First Amendment rights.

Represented X.AI in its constitutional challenge of a new, first-of-its-kind Colorado AI law in federal district court. After we filed a complaint and the United States intervened as a plaintiff, the state agreed to pause enforcement of the law.

Representing a University Board in complex constitutional litigation.

Advised an oil and gas company on state law regulatory issues that threatened the client's assets in a major oil and gas producing region.

Won preliminary and permanent injunctions after a contested evidentiary hearing in trial court, invalidating federal oil and gas regulations that duplicated state rules and hindered resource development.

Represented an oil and gas company against claims brought by a city board of commissioners alleging that our client is responsible for consequences of climate change.

Won a unanimous decision in Colorado's highest court preserving the state's longstanding regulatory approach for the oil and gas industry.

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 a large healthcare system in series of regulatory proceedings under a first-of-its kind legal framework to set reimbursement rates for "public option" health insurance plans.

Won administrative action against Colorado state agencies challenging their misapplication of federal law to health care institutions.

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