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Professional Experience

CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER - CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE | SENIOR ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY | APRIL 2017 - PRESENT

- Litigation of the City's most complex workers' compensation claims including all aspects of discovery, motions practice, expert witnesses, negotiations, mediations, and trials.
- Appellate advocacy through both briefs and oral arguments to all levels of Colorado courts.
 - Most recent published decision: *Packard v. ICAO*, 456 P.3d 473 (Colo. App. 2019) (cert. denied).
- Recovery of over \$1.5M in damages through subrogation litigation and representation of the City as a victim in criminal restitution hearings.
- Legal research, advice and counsel to Departments of Risk Management and Public Safety on matters of policy, contract negotiations, cost reduction, program implementation, and collective bargaining.
- Development of unique strategies for investigation, assessment, and administration of COVID-19 claims.
- Multiple speaking engagements with City officials, attorneys, and professional groups, including presentations accredited for continuing legal education credit.

13TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT | DISTRICT COURT MAGISTRATE | FEBRUARY 2022 - PRESENT

- District Court Magistrate conducting weekend bond hearings pursuant to HB 21-1280.
- Over 1,250 individual bond hearings since beginning in March 2022.
- Probable cause assessments, advisements, hearing arguments on bail and bond, taking victim input, setting conditions of release, and issuing protection orders.
- Actively engaged in all aspects of weekend bond hearing program including contributing to procedure for conducting virtual hearings, outreach to districts covered by the BHO, ongoing process improvement, attending the Colorado Judicial Conference, and judicial education.

RITSEMA & LYON, PC | SENIOR ASSOCIATE | FEBRUARY 2010 - APRIL 2017

- Represented insurers and self-insured employers across Colorado in all aspects of workers' compensation claims including litigation of compensability, medical benefits, and permanent total disability matters, resolution of multi-state coverage disputes and representation in complex multi-party conflict claims.
- Composed appellate briefs obtaining favorable decisions from the Industrial Claims Appeals Office and the Colorado Court of Appeals.
- Analysis of insurance policies and business contracts with composition of coverage opinions.
- Independently expanded the firm's practice into New Mexico, obtaining a New Mexico license, and generating an out-of-state book of business while based in Denver.
- Educational presentations on a diverse array of topics directly to clients, at seminars and via panel discussions at Colorado Bar CLE events.

Education

UNIVERSITY OF DENVER STURM COLLEGE OF LAW | JURIS DOCTORATE | MAY 2008

- 1st Place NRELS Appellate Advocacy Competition
- Phi Delta Phi Academic Honors Society
- Public Interest Law Group – Service Award

DRURY UNIVERSITY | BA CHEMISTRY | MAY 2003

Additional Information

- Pro bono work – trial advocacy for Cameroonian asylum seekers in federal immigration court
- Member of Asian Pacific American Bar Association (APABA)
- Member of Colorado Defense Lawyers Association
- Member of Colorado Magistrates Association
- Nominated 2017 Professionals in Worker’s Compensation Respondent Attorney of the Year
- Past board member Colorado Self-Insureds Association
- Past board member Community Radio of Northern Colorado (KUNC)
- Colorado Bar Registration No. 40585