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**Curriculum Vitae**

## ACADEMIC EDUCATION

**VERMONT LAW SCHOOL**, South Royalton, Vermont

*JURIS DOCTOR, magna cum laude*, 1993.

**VERMONT LAW REVIEW**

**Vermont Law School Scholar Award**, May 1992.

**Award for Academic Excellence**: Commercial Transactions - Fall 1991.

**Mediation \* Arbitration Center, The University of Denver**, Semester Clinic.

Treasurer, Environmental Law Society

**NORWICH UNIVERSITY**, Montpelier, Vermont

*MASTER OF ARTS, Counseling Psychology*, 1986

Thesis on Movement Education and Organismic Functioning

Workshop Facilitator, 1985 Annual Norwich Symposium

“Creative Uses of Conflict: Personal, Interpersonal and International.”

**DARTMOUTH COLLEGE**, Hanover, New Hampshire

*BACHELOR OF ARTS, Philosophy* (mod.), 1983.

**Philosophy Department Honor: Distinction.**

Language Study Abroad: Mainz, Germany, Fall 1980.

Outward Bound Living/Learning Program, Fall 1979.

Jersey City Juvenile Diversion Project, Jersey City, NJ, Fall 1982.

Tucker Foundation Intern - School Tutor, Teacher's Assistant, Substitute

Jersey City Joint Activities, Jersey City, NJ 1982-1983.

Counselor and Facilitator for Desegregation Project Retreats for

Ethnically Diverse School Children

\* **Formal mediation training and study** includes, without limitation, programs at

**The University of Denver College of Law Mediation \* Arbitration Center** (semester clinic, including both academic study and clinical work mediating at the Center and the Denver County Courts, Fall Semester 1992)

**The Center for Mediation in Law** (n/k/a **The Center for Understanding in Conflict**) (5-day Intro intensive trainings – one on family law mediation, one on commercial mediation; advanced 5-day intensive training on commercial mediation; 7-day intensive on self-reflection for conflict professionals and supplemental short continuing education programs in New York & Santa Fe, 1994 to present)

**The Center for Nonviolent Communication** - Marshall D. Rosenberg, Ph.D. (3-day mediation training, 2003); Monthly Practice Group with trainers and practitioners, 2003 to present.

**The Center for Contemplative Mind in Society** – Contemplative Law & Mediation Retreat (4 days, 2002)

**Master Class in Mediation and Collaborative Law Practice** – Pauline Tessler and Forrest (Woody) Mosten, Trainers (Three-Day Training Intensive, June 23-25, 2011)

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**Norwich University** (half-day, July 1985)

**Vermont Law School** (multiple lectures and practice sessions, 1990 & 1991)

\* **Early Neutral Evaluation Training (The Minnesota Model)** – Denver (3 days, July 2008)

\* **Linda Solomon’s “Texas” Trainings for Collaborative Law Divorce Facilitation/Mediation**

Lone Tree, CO (3 days, September 2013)

Golden, CO (3 days, February 2014)

Golden, CO (2 days, June 2017)

## WORK:

### **THE LAW & MEDIATION SERVICES OF MICHAEL TRAVERS**

Boulder / Denver Metropolitan Areas (1998 - Present), Bergen County, NJ (1999-2003).

#### **Mediator & Counselor at Law**

#### **General Practice in Mediation and Collaborative Law - Family, Civil and Probate.**

Ancillary services include: Med/Arb; Arbitration; Early Neutral Evaluations & Assessments; Collaborative Law Representation, Collaborative Professional Consulting, Neutral Collaborative Divorce Facilitation; Conflict Management; Statutory Decision-Maker and Parenting Coordinator.

Total mediations conducted to date: 2000+

### **STATE OF COLORADO,**

**OFFICE OF DISPUTE RESOLUTION**, Denver, Colorado, 1997 - Present.

#### **Independent Contractor: Court Neutral**

(Mediator, Arbitrator, Med-Arb, and Settlement Conferences)

District Court Civil, Family, and Probate Dockets, JD18: 1997-Present, JD20: 2012-Present.

**JILL PERRY FERNANDEZ, ATTORNEYS AT LAW**, Longmont, CO, 1994 - 1998.

**Associate Attorney**, General Practice.

**RESOLUTION SERVICES, INC.**, Longmont, Colorado, 1994 - 1998.

**Founder, Principal, Director of Mediation Services, Mediator, Arbitrator**

**UNIVERSITY OF DENVER COLLEGE OF LAW**, Denver, Colorado

**Adjunct Professor**, Mediation Clinic, 1996.

**Trainer/Coach**, 1993 - 1996. Mediator and Arbitrator 1992 - 1996.

**OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY**, Westminster, Colorado, 1993-94

**Intern Attorney**, General Municipal Practice.

**Public Hearing Legal Advisor**, Board of Adjustment and Appeals.

**STUDHOLME & COOKE, P.C.**, Boulder, Colorado, 1991-1993

**Law Clerk**

**WILDWASSER SPORT USA, INC.**, Boulder, Colorado, 1989.

**Public Relations**

**MARIN PROGRAMS FOR MENTAL RECOVERY**, Woodacre, California, 1987-88

**Therapist** -- Individual, Group, and Milieu Therapy

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**THE TAMALPA INSTITUTE**, Anna Halprin, Ph.D. (Hon.) Director, Kentfield, CA  
Trainee, September through December 1984. Apprentice, 1985-1986.  
Musical Accompanist 1985-1988. **Teacher**, 1987

**MARIN SUICIDE PREVENTION CENTER**, San Rafael, California, 1987  
Counselor

**WOMEN'S HEALTH ACTION**, Berkeley, California, 1986  
Community outreach and fundraising

### **PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY PROJECTS AND PRACTICE DEVELOPMENT:**

RESTORATIVE PRACTICES COALITION, Boulder County, CO  
**Presenter:** "On Collaborative Law" December 1, 2016  
Participant: "Connection Circles Training," 3 hours, 10/18/16  
Participant: "Circles of Support and Accountability (COSAs); Theory-driven,  
Evidence-Based, Empirically-Supported," 8 hours, January 18, 2017

ROCKY MOUNTAIN COLLABORATIVE LAW PROFESSIONALS, Denver, CO  
**Charter Member**, 2002-present  
Boulder County Practice Group Initiative, 2004-2006.

THE COLLABORATIVE DIVORCE PROFESSIONALS of Boulder County  
**Charter Member**, 2006-present

MILE-HIGH COLLABORATIVE LAW PROFESSIONALS, Lakewood, CO, 2007-  
2010.

BOULDER COLLABORATIVE FAMILY LAW PILOT PROJECT TRAININGS,  
2003-2006  
Jointly developed and presented one introductory and two advanced Continuing  
Legal Education programs on Collaborative Law. My presentations: "The  
Understanding Response," "Contemplative Law," and "Collaborative Tool-Box."

COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF AURORA MEDIATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE,  
Aurora, Colorado, 2001-2010

COLORADO CENTER FOR MEDIATION, INC., Boulder, Colorado, 1997 - 1999.  
**Mentor, Supervisor**, Mediator

BOULDER COUNTY VORP (Victim-Offender Reconciliation Program), Colorado  
**Mediator, Training Coach**, 1994-1998; **Mentor**, 1998

COLORADO LAWYERS FOR THE ARTS, Denver, Colorado, 1996-1998  
**Mediator**

BOULDER COMMUNITY SCHOOL OF INTEGRATED STUDIES  
A Boulder Valley School District "Focus School" (a public school created under Colorado charter-school type statutes) opened August 1996.  
**Co-Founder, Steering Committee, Co-Author of Proposal; 1995-1997**

BOULDER DANCE ALLIANCE, INC., Boulder, Colorado, 1994-1996  
**Board of Directors**

### **PRESENTATIONS:**

Guest Presentation: Collaborative Law Roles and Teamwork," w/Terri Harrington, Esq., Deb Johnson, NFP, and Ali Smits, Esq. for Forrest Mosten, Esq.'s "Lawyers as Peacemakers" Class at University of Denver Sturm College of Law, June 11, 2017.

"Collaborative Law: Helping the Parties Understand Each Other." Presented to Denver Metro Collaborative Law Practice Groups on October 11, 2007 (2 hours)

"Mediation" Presented to Colorado University School of Law Student Legal Clinic, December 6, 2007.

### **ARTICLES**

Travers, "ADR: Important Options for Municipal Government," 24 *The Colorado Lawyer* (June 1995).

Travers & Fernandez, "Alternative Dispute Resolution: Paving the Way," *Longmont Business Views* 26 (4/95).

Travers & Fernandez, "ADR: An Alternative to What?" *Longmont Business Views*, (November 1994).

Travers & Fernandez, "Resolving Disputes and Getting Back to Business," *Longmont Business Views*, 16 (8/94)

### **PLUS:**

\***Mediator Training Coach**, Colorado Bar Association - Division of Continuing Legal Education, Winter Training 2009, Fall Training 2008, Advanced Family Law Mediation Training, Spring 2012.

\***Produced continuing education programs** for psychologists, artists and somatic therapists in San Francisco Bay Area, 1986 - 1989. Included 4-7 seminars per year presented by Robert M. Kest, Ph.D., Director, The Center for Organismic Psychology, Boulder, CO.

\* Ski-Instructor, Village Camps International Ski Program, **Saas Fe, Switzerland**, 1984. Instructor, **Schi Schule der Hotelpark der Allgau Stern, Sonthofen, Germany**, 1981. Instructor, Eldora Mountain Resort, Eldora, Colorado, 1990 - 1993. Instructor, Breckenridge, Colorado, 1985; Instructor, Dartmouth Ski School, 1979-80, **Head-Instructor**, 1982-83. **Certified**, Professional Ski Instructors of America, 1983-2001.

\* **Percussionist**, "**Bateria Alegria**," Brazilian parade ensemble of the Boulder Samba School, Boulder, Colorado, 2009 - 2017.

Licensed to Practice Law in Colorado, New Jersey, and New York  
American Bar Association; Colorado Bar Association; Boulder Bar Association