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### **Criminal Defense Experience**

Represented over 2000 criminally accused clients on all types of cases from first-degree murder through misdemeanors, pre-filing through sentencing, in both state and federal courts. Accepted as an expert witness in the practice of criminal defense, Denver and Adams County District Court. Approved to represent clients through the Colorado Office of Alternate Defense Counsel and the Criminal Justice Act Panel for the District of Colorado. Practicing capital post-conviction litigation since 2010.

**Member, Mulligan & Mulligan, PLLC**, Boulder, Colorado  
September 2004-present

**Attorney in Solo Private Practice**, Boulder, Colorado  
October 1997-September 2004 (part-time)

**Deputy State Public Defender, Colorado State Public Defender, Brighton Regional Office**, Brighton, Colorado  
May 1994-October 1997; August 1992-July 1993

**Attorney in Private Practice**, Denver, Colorado  
July 1993-May 1994

**Research Assistant to H. Patrick Furman**, University of Colorado School of Law  
September 1991-May 1992

**Law Clerk, Martin McAllister & Murphy**, Denver, Colorado  
May 1991-October 1991

### **Other Legal Experience**

**Law Clerk, Office of the United States Attorney**, Denver, Colorado  
May 1990-April 1991

### **Expert Testimony**

Adams County District Court  
Denver District Court

## **Publications**

“ ‘Fresh Start’ Program to Clear Warrants on April 13,” Boulder County Bar Newsletter (April 2019)

“Implicit Bias in the Legal Profession,” Boulder County Bar Newsletter (April 2018)

“The American Law Institute Will No Longer ‘Tinker with the Machinery of Death’—Should Any of Us Care?” Boulder County Bar Newsletter (March 2010)

“Jury Nullification: Its History and Practice,” 33 *The Colorado Lawyer* 71 (December 2004)

## **Teaching and Lectures**

“Working with a Multi-Disciplinary Team,” Alternate Defense Counsel, February 26, 2020

Trial Advocacy (Post-conviction Track), Alternate Defense Counsel, February 10-14, 2020

Trial Advocacy (Post-conviction Track), Alternate Defense Counsel, February 4-8, 2019

“Lessons from Postconviction—Keeping Death off the Table,” Alternate Defense Counsel, October 12, 2018

Coach, Alternate Defense Counsel Trial Advocacy Program, February 2018

“Spykstra: Driving a Person to the Colorado Open Records Act,” Colorado Criminal Defense Bar, August 21, 2014

“Criminal Law Update—the CCDB Road Show,” September and October 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2019

“Mindfulness in the Law,” University of Colorado Law School, April 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2019

Discussed the Troy Davis case and the death penalty in Colorado on “Colorado Weekend with Chuck and Julie,” KOA radio, September 24, 2011

“Theory and Theme in Voir Dire,” Alternate Defense Counsel, September 19, 2011

“Turning the State’s Experts,” Colorado Criminal Defense Bar DUI Conference, March 4, 2011

“Drafting Effective Motions,” Colorado Criminal Defense Bar Motions Practice CLE, February 11, 2011

“Taking Back the Wheel When the Witness Tries to Drive the Bus,” Alternate Defense Counsel Trial Advocacy Institute, February 2, 2011

“Cross-Examining the Government’s Experts,” Colorado Criminal Defense Bar Defense of Driving Under the Influence of Drugs CLE, March 5, 2010

“Taking Back the Wheel When the Witness Tries to Drive the Bus,” Alternate Defense Counsel Trial Advocacy Institute, February 25, 2010

“Creative Motions Practice: The Art of War,” Colorado State Public Defender Conference, September 14, 2009

Panel Member, Bench-Bar Retreat, Boulder County Bar Association, May 1, 2009

“Cross-Examining Difficult Witnesses,” Alternate Defense Counsel Trial Advocacy Institute, April 16, 2009

“Practicing What’s Been Preached: Using What You’ve Learned in Trial,” *Creative DUI Defense*, Colorado Criminal Defense Bar CLE, March 6, 2009

“Protest Defense and Legal Strategies,” *Defending Dissent: Representing Activists and Protesters at the DNC*, National Lawyers’ Guild CLE, July 18, 2008

“Closing Arguments,” University of Colorado School of Law, Trial Advocacy class, January 2008 and January 2009

“Opening Statements,” University of Colorado School of Law, Trial Advocacy class, January 2007

“Rules 1 through 9: There’s Something Before Rule 16?,” *Colorado Rules of Criminal Procedure*, Colorado Criminal Defense Bar CLE, August 18, 2006

Panelist, *Law and Justice: DUI*, Television show on Boulder Channel 8, April 2006

“Cross-Examining Difficult Witnesses,” University of Colorado School of Law, Trial Advocacy class, January 2006.

### **Memberships**

Colorado Criminal Defense Bar  
President 2012-2013  
President-Elect 2011-2012  
Treasurer 2010-2011

Secretary 2009-2010  
Policy Committee  
Education Committee  
Events Committee (chair)

National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers

Colorado Bar Association  
Criminal Law Section  
Availability of Legal Services Committee

Boulder County Bar Association, Criminal Law Section Co-Chair, 2017-2020

### **Education**

**University of Colorado School of Law**  
Juris Doctor, 1992

#### Honors:

Moses Lasky Scholarship  
Davis, Graham and Stubbs Scholarship  
Bernard J. Seeman Scholarship

#### Activities:

Student Attorney, Legal Aid and Defender Program  
Regional Finalist, National Trial Competition, Portland, Oregon  
Co-President, Women's Law Caucus  
Treasurer, American Civil Liberties Union

**Loyola College (now Loyola University), Baltimore, Maryland**  
Bachelor of Business Administration, *summa cum laude*, 1987

#### Honors:

The Marketing Medal  
Maryland Distinguished Scholar  
Presidential Scholarship  
Sheridan Foundation Scholarship  
Dean's List  
Academic Achievement Award  
Philosophy Core Essay Award  
Achievement in Marketing Award

#### Activities:

American Marketing Association.