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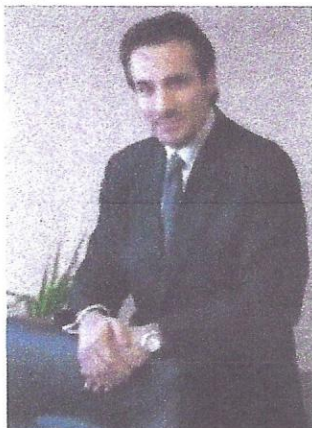
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During law school, Mr. Chayet's grandmother, Letty Milstein, was the principle party in one of the most controversial and public elder law cases in the state of Colorado. The Estate of Milstein v. Ayers, 955 P.2d 78 (Colo. App. 1998), is a landmark probate case which upholds and protects the right to counsel and due process of incapacitated adults in Colorado and has been codified into the Colorado Uniform Protective

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P.2d 78 (Colo. App. 1998), is a landmark probate case which upholds and protects the right to counsel and due process of incapacitated adults in Colorado and has been codified into the Colorado Uniform Protective Proceedings Act (the guardianship and conservatorship laws). This experience was the impetus for Mr. Chayet's career long practice commitment to the field of elder law, special needs law and probate litigation. Mr. Chayet is also the Public Administrator of the 18th Judicial District serving as a Fiduciary for the Counties of Arapahoe, Douglas, Elbert and Lincoln. Mr. Chayet is the past Chairman of the Elder Law Section of the Colorado Bar Association and the current chair of the American Bar Association Real Property, Trust and Estate section Surrogate Decision Making committee. Mr. Chayet is a 2015 Colorado Super Lawyer in Elder Law and a Top 100 Super Lawyer in Colorado and also acts as a guardian ad litem for the Office of Child Representative. The Colorado Supreme Court appointed Mr. Chayet to the Attorney Regulation Disciplinary Hearing Board.

A sampling of Mr. Chayet's broad experience in elder law, special needs law and complex probate litigation includes: Litigating contested guardianship and conservatorship proceedings for adults and minors; Litigating will contests and fiduciary defense actions; Complex Public Benefit Planning; Representation of guardians, conservators and fiduciaries; Trust administration and trust litigation and associated estate planning and estate administration. Mr. Chayet's experience in his areas of practice have been demonstrated through his public speaking and publishing including his book: "How to Protect Your Family's Assets from Devastating Nursing Home Costs - Colorado Edition" and the chapter on "Estate Planning for the Child with special Needs" in the 4th edition of Elder Law in Colorado by CBA/CLE.

Mr. Chayet was appointed as an adjunct professor of law at the University of Colorado School of Law and Teaches Elder Law. Mr. Chayet is a member of the Academy of Special Needs Planners and the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys where the Academy asked Mr. Chayet to serve on various committees as well as serving as the President of the Colorado Chapter of NAELA. Mr. Chayet continues to be an active member of the Colorado Bar Association where Colorado attorneys nominated Mr. Chayet to be a Fellow of the Colorado Bar Foundation.

Mr. Chayet, born and raised in Denver, Colorado, is continuing in the footsteps of his family in assisting the philanthropic and civic community of Colorado, by serving on the board and committees of many not-for-profit organizations including the Rose Community Foundation & Innovage Foundation, Guardianship Alliance of Colorado, Jewish Family Services, Allied Jewish Apartments, Jewish Senior Recreation Network, the Foundation For Hope and the Life Source Services Hospice. Mr. Chayet received his Juris Doctor from the University of Colorado School of Law. Mr. Chayet's