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Guy has more than 30 years experience in trial practice with emphasis on personal injury defense and insurance law. He has been practicing with the Brown Law Firm since 1986. Guy has tried more than 25 jury cases in Montana state and federal courts. He has also handled numerous appeals in the Montana Supreme Court and the U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth and Tenth Circuit. Representative cases which Guy has handled at trial and before Montana courts include Ridley v. Guarantee National Ins. Co., 951 P.2d 987 (Mont. 1997) (advance payment by an insurance company for medical expenses to an injured claimant); Watters v. Guarantee National Ins. Co., 3 P.3d 626 (Mont. 2000) (requirement of a release before payment of policy limits); Cusenbary v. USF&G, 37 P.3d 67 (Mont. 2001) (insurance coverage under a general liability policy for liquor liability claims); Shilhanek v. D-2 Trucking, Inc., 70 P.3d 721 (Mont. 2003) (trial counsel involving insurer's duty to advance pay medical expenses up to policy limits); Robertus v. Farmers Union Mutual Ins. Co., 189 P.3d 582 (Mont. 2008) (trial and appellate counsel on stacking of underinsured motorist coverage); Revelation Industries v. St. Paul Fire and Marine Ins. Co., 206 P.3d 919 (Mont. 2009) (insurance coverage and duty to defend under commercial general liability policy for defective workmanship claims); Peterson v. St. Paul Fire and Marine Ins. Co., 239 P.3d 904 (Mont. 2010) (trial and appellate counsel for claims alleging insurance bad faith and violation of Montana's Unfair Trade Practices Act); Estate of Richerson v. Cincinnati Insurance Company, 264 P.3d 1087 (Mont. 2011) (insurance coverage under a commercial auto policy for medical payments benefits); and Stokes v. Ford Motor Company, 300 P.3d 648 (Mont.2013) (trial and appellate counsel for vehicle dealer on products liability/wrongful death claims); and McCann v. McCann, 425 P.3d 682 (Mont. 2018) (trial and appellate counsel on alleged corporate fraud).

Guy has been a director and officer for the Montana Defense Trial Lawyers Association, and president of the organization in 2008 and 2009. He is peer-review rated at the highest level of legal ability and ethics (AV Preeminent) by Martindale-Hubbell, currently recognized in "Best Lawyers in America" and "Mountain States Super Lawyers," and elected to the American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA). Guy was also on the board of directors for the Montana Justice Foundation from 2004 through 2007.

Guy's litigation practice includes serious personal injury and traumatic brain injury cases, automobile accidents, liquor liability, products liability, and wrongful death and survival actions. His insurance law practice includes bad faith, insurance coverage and defense of agents and brokers. Guy also handles property damage cases including construction litigation, arson and fraud cases. He further acts as a mediator.

Guy graduated with a B.A. from the University of Montana in 1981, and a J.D. from the University of Montana Law School in 1985. He was a law clerk to Justice John C. Harrison of the Montana Supreme Court from 1985 to 1986.