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Alternative Dispute Resolution (“ADR”)
Curriculum Vitae

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**Areas of
Experience
and
Availability**

- Commercial Disputes: contracts; business torts; intra-employee and intra-owner/manager conflicts; business dissolutions.
- Construction: defects; contract disputes; subrogation.
- Insurance Coverage: general liability; property; homeowner’s; business interruption; construction-related; bad faith.
- Real Estate: real estate contract disputes; homeowners association (HOA) disputes; adverse possession; partition; easements and licenses; contract disputes; landlord-tenant.
- Personal Injury and Wrongful Death: catastrophic injuries, including closed-head and traumatic brain injuries; wrongful death; premises liability; auto accidents; medical malpractice; products liability.
- Intra-company and -firm disputes: business, medical, dental, accounting, and law firm owner/ employee disputes and dissolutions.
- Intellectual Property: trade secrets; confidentiality agreements.
- Professional Liability: legal, accounting, medical, dental malpractice.
- Employment: wrongful termination; retaliation; discrimination.
- Civil Rights: discrimination in public accommodations.

**Professional
Experience**

JAMS Denver, Denver, CO: Mediator and arbitrator (2019-present). Full-time mediation and arbitration work in the above-listed subject areas.

Choquette & Hart LLP, Denver, CO: Co-founder and partner (2011-2019). Mediation, arbitration, trial, and appellate practice in complex commercial, insurance, personal injury, wrongful death, and intellectual property matters; trials and appeals in state and federal courts; dozens of mediations as mediator and advocate; several arbitrations as arbitrator and advocate.

Choquette & Simons LLP, Denver, CO: Co-founder and partner (2007-2011). Same as above.

Holland & Hart LLP, Denver, CO: Associate and partner (1986-2007). Same as above.

**Publications
and
Presentations**

Managing Editor, *Colorado Civil Claims: Elements, Defenses, and Sample Pleadings*, Continuing Legal Education in Colorado, Inc. (1st ed. 2019).

“Everything You Ever Wanted to Know About Colorado Law on Mediation,” presented annually at the Colorado Statewide ADR Conference (2014-Present).

“Boot Camp: Colorado Law on Mediation,” presented at the Colorado Statewide ADR Conference (2013).

“An Overview of Colorado Law on Mediation,” and “Supplement to An Overview on Colorado Law on Mediation,” presented at the Colorado Statewide ADR Conference (2008).

“Enforcing the Award,” outline, presentation, and panel member for CLE Program on “Post-Award Proceedings in Arbitration,” CLE in Colorado, Inc. (2008).

“Colorado Law on Mediation: A Primer,” 35 *The Colorado Lawyer* 21-31 (March 2006).

“A Three-Year Survey of Colorado Appellate Decisions on Arbitration – Part II,” 34 *The Colorado Lawyer* 47-58 (March 2005).

“A Three-Year Survey of Colorado Appellate Decisions on Arbitration- Part I,” 34 *The Colorado Lawyer* 41-48 (February 2005).

Teaching Experience

Visiting Lecturer, “The Law of Mediation,” *Business ADR Course*, University of Denver, for Prof. Peter “Jeff” Bowen (2020, 2019, 2017, 2011, 2010).

Visiting Lecturer, “Mediation Process and Law,” *Technical & Engineering Knowledge in Litigation*, offered to both law students and graduate and undergraduate engineering students at the University of Colorado School of Law, for Adj. Prof. Valeri Pappas and Prof. Michael Readey (2019).

Visiting Lecturer on Mediation and Mediation Ethics, *Alternative Dispute Resolution*, Denver University Sturm College of Law, Denver, CO, 2016 for Adj. Profs. James L. Stone and C.J. Larkin (2018, 2016, 2015).

Adjunct Professor, *Alternative Dispute Resolution* (survey course on the law and practice of negotiation, mediation, and arbitration), Denver University Sturm College of Law, Denver, CO (2006-2008).

Mediation Coach, *Basic Mediation Training*, Colorado Bar Association (2015-Present).

Mediation Coach, *The Mediation Process and Advanced Mediation*, Mares-Dixon and Associates, Louisville, CO (2007-2015).

Panelist, “A Legal Overview for Non-Lawyer Mediators,” *Court-Annexed Mediation Program* (now known as Court Mediation Service), Denver, CO (2008, 2007).

Visiting lecturer, “ADR Processes,” *Construction Law*, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO, for Adj. Prof. Douglas Karet (2006).

Visiting lecturer, “A Trial Lawyer’s Perspective on Mediation,” *Alternative Dispute Resolution*, Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, D.C., for Adj. Prof. Nancy Lesser (2005).

Training Received	<p><i>Mediator/Arbitrator Training</i> (21-hour intensive course), JAMS, San Diego, CA (2018)</p> <p><i>Advanced Mediation</i> (21-hour intensive course), Mares-Dixon and Associates, Boulder, CO (2015).</p> <p><i>Third Annual Arbitration Training Institute: A Comprehensive Training in Commercial Arbitration</i>, ABA ADR Section, New York, NY (2007).</p> <p>Regular attendee: Colorado Statewide ADR Conferences, Continuing Legal Education courses on mediation and arbitration, and meetings of the American Bar Association’s Section of Dispute Resolution (2005-Present).</p> <p><i>The Mediation Process</i> (40-hour intensive course), Center for Dispute Resolution, Boulder, CO (2004).</p>
Education	<p><i>J.D.</i>, Denver University College of Law, Denver, CO (1986).</p> <p><i>B.A., cum laude</i>, Colgate University, Hamilton, NY (1982).</p>
Recognition	<p>Professional (highest level) member, Mediation Association of Colorado (the “MAC”) (2016-Present).</p> <p>Best Lawyers in America, Commercial Litigation, peer-selected (2014-Present).</p> <p>Colorado “<i>Super Lawyer</i>,” peer-selected (2006-Present): alternative dispute resolution (2015-Present); civil/commercial litigation (2006-2014).</p> <p>National Academy of Personal Injury Attorneys – Top Ten Personal Injury Attorney for Colorado (2017).</p> <p>American Trial Lawyers Association, Top 100 Lawyers in Colorado (2010-2019).</p>
Community Service	<p>Court-Annexed Mediation Program (now known as Court Mediation Service), Denver County Court: volunteer mediator (2005-2007).</p> <p>Legal Aid Foundation: trustee (2004-2010).</p> <p>Metro Volunteer Lawyers: board chair (2002-04); board member (1994-2005).</p> <p>Curious Theatre Company: board chair (2006-08); board member (2002-2008, and 2019-2020).</p>