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## Licensed in Colorado and Federal District Court—Oct. 1979



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### Employment

Magistrate Denver, Part-time, 2005-2015  
Private Practice--1984-2015  
Juvenile Law and Guardian *ad Litem*  
Contempt Defense & Legal Ethics  
Real Estate, General Litigation  
Asst City Atty.—Cherry Hills Village  
Asst City Atty.—Manitou Springs  
Holland & Hart—Staff Attorney—Aspen  
Deputy District Attorney—Pueblo  
Assistant County Attorney—Pueblo  
NITA Graduate

### Legal Organizations

CBA Ethics Committee--1983-2015  
Chair 2011-2012  
CBA Ethics Hotline Chair 20 Years--1987-2008  
Author of the *Hotline Handbook* 1986-2008

Denver Law Club  
2010 Annual Honoree  
2006-2007—President  
1998-2015—Writer and Performer  
Author of [www.LawClub.org](http://www.LawClub.org)

Colorado-Wyoming American Inns Summit  
Chair 2005-2006

CBA Juvenile Law Section  
Chair, 2004-2005  
CBA Board of Governors Alternate

Alfred A. Arraj Inn of Court—1993 to 2014  
President 2000-2001

### Community Organizations

Denver Access to Justice  
Denver Bar Association Committee  
2008-2012

Creative Options 1999-2008  
Multidisciplinary Committee  
Denver Juvenile Court

Rotating Chair 2000-2004

Commission on Families in the Courts  
Supreme Court Commission  
Presented Materials at 6 Colorado Public Hearings  
Statewide-Fall 2001

Jefferson County Adult Diversion  
Jeffco DA's Office--Board Member—1 Time per Month--  
5 years—1989-94

### Legislation

Proposed, original *Ombudsman Law*, wrote the Bill  
Testified before the House and Senate  
House Bill 04-1403--February--April 2004.  
Testified in House Judicial Committee  
House Bill 1149—*Adoption*  
January 27 & March 1, 2004  
House Bill 1172—*Family Investigator*  
February 24, 2005

### Publications

*Juggling Program Development – The Bench*  
National Publication of the American Inns of Court  
May-June Edition 2004

*Juvenile Law Benchbook, Versions 3 and 4*  
Participated in Editing and Preparing Materials  
CD and on the Web  
5/2005 to 5/2006 and 8/2001 to 9/2001

*D&N Respondent Parent's Defense Manual*  
1999-2011  
[www.JuvenileLaw.net/Respondent.htm](http://www.JuvenileLaw.net/Respondent.htm)

*GALs and Home Visits*—2000-2005  
[www.JuvenileLaw.net/GAL.htm](http://www.JuvenileLaw.net/GAL.htm)

*Mental Health Certification Defense* 1991-2004  
[www.JuvenileLaw.net/Mental.htm](http://www.JuvenileLaw.net/Mental.htm)

*Contempt Defense Manual*  
2003-2011  
[www.JuvenileLaw.net/Contempt.htm](http://www.JuvenileLaw.net/Contempt.htm)

*Clinton Redux—A Mental Health and Technical Defense  
Follow-up*  
The Colorado Lawyer Nov. 1993, p. 2389

*The Clinton Mental Health Case—a Civil Procedure  
Lesson*  
The Colorado Lawyer Sept. 1990, p. 1809

*Pre-Trial Technical Defenses to Mental Health  
Certification*  
The Colorado Lawyer July 1988, p. 1327

### Expert Witness

*Juvenile and Mental Health Certification 2004-2013  
Legal Ethics 2009-2013*

### Published Appellate Cases

*In the Int. of J.A.S.*, 160 P.3d 257 (Colo. App. 2007)  
*In the Int. of T.E.M.*, 124 P.3d 905 (Colo. App. 2005)  
*In re J.M.B.*, 60 P.3d 790 (Colo. App. 2002).  
*Int. of Santoriso*, 844 P.2d 1234 (Colo. App. 1992).  
*Matter of P.F. v. Walsh*, 648 P.2d 1067 (Colo. 1982)

### Honors and Awards

OCR Lifetime Achievement Award – 3/4/2015  
RCP Lifetime Achievement Award – 3/4/2015  
Marriott, Colorado Springs  
2015 Top Lawyers –Juvenile  
5280 Magazine

OCR Contribution to the GAL Practice Award - 2011  
"... extreme generosity and support ..."  
Law Club Award of Merit  
"... outstanding service ..." 2010  
CBA Ethics Committee Certificate of Appreciation  
"... outstanding service ..." 2008  
SCAO Certificate of Appreciation 2002  
Commission on Families in the Courts

### Speaking—Seminars

More than 75 CLEs

#### National

*Constitutional Contempt*  
25th Annual L.E.I. Institute  
Vail Cascade  
January 5, 2008

*Ethics Hotlines* -- ABA Equal Justice Conference  
Will Hornsby -- ABA  
Hyatt Regency – Denver, March 23, 2007  
*Ethics for Trucker's Lawyers*

Amer. Truckers Assoc.—Litigation Section CBA Ethics  
Chair, Robbi Jackson  
The Lodge at Vail, Vail, CO July 25, 2004

*Legal Ethics for Interpreters* Nat'l As. Jud. Interp.  
Denver Marriott Hotel -Hon. Kathleen Bowers  
May 22, 2004

*Program Development--Teamwork*  
Hon. Sandra Rothenberg-Kerry Hata, Esq.  
American Inns of Court --Annual Meeting  
Denver Colorado--May 2001

Small Group Moderator with Hon. Al Harrell  
American Inns of Court 2000 Annual Meeting Atlanta  
Georgia--May 2000

#### Ethics

*I Have Ethics Questions !!*  
Denver District Attorney  
February 25, 2015

*I Have Ethics Questions !!*  
Denver Juvenile Court  
December 10, 2014

*Juggling Legal Ethics*  
Juvenile Law Section  
January 8, 2014

*Juggling Legal Ethics*  
Denver Juvenile Court  
December 4, 2013

Ethics Potpourri  
Denver Juvenile Court  
December 19, 2012

*Medical Marijuana and Ethics Abstracts*  
CBA CLE with Judge Arthur Roy  
August 6, 2012

*Medical Marijuana and Ethics ...*  
Federal Bar Review CBA CLE  
June 15, 2012

*Juvenile Law Update ... Child and Family Summit*  
with Justice Boatright and Judge Furman  
Keystone -- May 18, 2012

*Ethical Odds and Ends ...*  
Denver Juvenile Court  
April 25, 2012

October 24, 2001

*Ethics-Contempt and Civility*  
with Diane Van Voorhees in Denver  
MVL Volunteers CLE October 26, 2011

*Guardian ad Litem Ethics*  
with Exec. Director Linda Weinerman  
Boulder OCR Conference June 21, 2011

*Federal vs. State Court Ethics ...*  
Federal Bar Review CBA CLE  
May 20, 2011

*Legal Ethics This Year*  
Denver Juvenile Court December 8, 2010

*Not-Obvious Ethics Rules*  
DU Alumni—Steve Masciochi, Ethics Chair  
DU Law School -- October 15, 2010

*Ethics: No Beginner's Luck ...*  
Federal Bar Review CBA CLE  
February 5, 2010

*Ethics: No Beginner's Luck ...*  
Boulder District Court  
December 11, 2009

*Ethics: No Beginner's Luck ...*  
Denver Juvenile Court  
December 7, 2009

*Ten Easy Ways to Get Grieved*  
Metro Volunteer Lawyers at Faegre & Benson  
October 29, 2009

*Juvenile Ethics – No Theme*  
Denver Juvenile Court  
December 10, 2008

*New Ethics and Student Loans*  
CU Law Program – David Juarez  
October 26, 2007

*New Ethics Rules In Juvenile Court*  
Denver Juvenile Court  
September 25, 2007

*Every 15 Years...*  
Pueblo Bar Association  
September 11, 2007

*A Few New Rules*  
Chuck Turner/David Lytle CBA President's Visit  
Fremont County July 13, 2007

*Ethics for ABBA: the Queen's New Dance*  
Hon. Ed Moss/David Lytle CBA President's Visit  
Adams Bar June 25, 2007

*CBA Ethics Opinion 114—Juvenile Law*  
Hon. Daniel Taubman -- Denver Juvenile Court  
December 12, 2006.

*Top Ten Ethics Rules*  
Hon. Leland Anderson -- DU Law School  
March 29, 2006

*Selected Ethics—Selective Memory*  
Nancy Cohen/Hon. David Juarez  
CBA CLE December 10, 2004

*Ethics You Should Know*  
Ethics Chair Robbi Jackson  
Adams/Broomfield Bar Veteran's Day 2003

*Ethics and Juggling*  
Denver Law Club University Club-Denver  
January 15, 2003

*Ethics Baker's Dozen--Speaker*  
CLE Seminar—Denver Juvenile Court

*Ethics of Delivery of Legal Services*  
Pro-Bono Training-Panel Member  
DU Law School November 10, 2000

*1993 Ethics Institute -- CLE in Colorado, Inc.*  
DU Law School  
October 29, 1993

*Colorado Rules of Professional Conduct*  
CLE in Colorado, Inc—Pueblo  
November 6, 1992

#### Evidence

*CRE-- Judicial Notice*  
Paul Puckett, Denver City Attorney  
Denver Juvenile Court January 23, 2003

*CRE Relevance Rules*  
Paul Puckett, Denver City Attorney  
Denver Juvenile Court -- January 23, 2002

#### Appeals

*Appellate Rule 3.4*  
Hon Daniel Taubman -- CBA-CLE  
April 19th, 2005

*Dependency & Neglect—New Rule 3.4*  
Denver Juvenile Court March 1, 2005

*Appeals—Practical Tips*  
Hon Daniel Taubman CLE-CBA  
Denver, CO —November 19, 2004

*Juvenile Appeals*  
Hon Daniel Taubman -- Juvenile Law Section  
Cuchara, CO—July 16, 2004

*Dependency & Neglect Appeals*  
Hon. David Furman -- Denver Juvenile Court  
April 10, 2002

#### Probate --Mental Health

*Mental Health Certification—Full Day*  
Appellate Judges Taubman and Roy  
Co-Chair – CBA CLE -- November 21, 2008

*Mental Health Certification Defense*  
Skip Hibbard, Denver City Attorney  
CBA CLE -- January 23, 2004—Afternoon

*Legal Issues of Mental Health Treatment*  
Hon. Daniel Taubman--Skip Hibbard, DCAAtty,  
Executive Towers Inn—February 16, 2001

*Mental Health Respondents Defense*  
Dan Taubman -- Morris Evans  
DU Law School -- February 15, 1991

*Mental Health Respondents Defense*  
CLE Seminar—Jeffco Courts  
December 1990

#### Juvenile

*Juvenile Law Update- Judicial Institute*  
With Judges David Furman and Gale Meinster  
July 31, 2013

*Domestic Violence in Juvenile Court*  
Dani Diercks, Esq.  
Arapahoe Bar Association March 22, 2013

*Juvenile Law Update*  
with Hon. David Furman  
Colo. Judicial Institute at Denver University  
August 1st, 2012

*Juvenile Law Update*  
with Justice Brian Boatright and Hon. David Furman  
Juvenile Summit in Keystone  
May 25, 2012

*Juvenile Ethics Odds and Ends ...*  
El Paso Juvenile Court  
May 1, 2012

*Juvenile Law Update*  
with Hon. Brian Boatright and Hon. David Furman  
Colo. Judicial Conference September 13, 2011

*Respondent Parent Counsel*  
Denver CASA Training Presentation  
Denver, CO October 5, 2010

*Constitutional Truancies & Other Anecdotes*  
CBA Juvenile Law Section CLE  
Denver, CO May 10, 2007

*School Confidentiality vs. Safety*  
Hon. David Furman  
CBA-CLE -- February 2006

*Dependency and Neglect Process*  
CASA Training Presentation  
Denver, CO March 3, 2005

*Adoptions and Relinquishment*  
Family Law Section CBA CLE  
February 24, 2005

*Relinquishment & Adoption*  
Arapahoe Courts -- January 20, 2005

*Truancy Law Seminar*  
Denver Juvenile Court -- August 25, 2004

*Denver Truancy Court*  
Denver Public Schools Social Workers  
Park Hill Golf Course -- March 4, 2004

*Respondent Parent's Defense*  
Hon. Cecilia Curtis CBA  
January 23, 2004--Morning

*Juvenile Law Update*  
Hon. David Furman -- Denver Juvenile Court  
December 11, 2003

*Juvenile Law Update*  
Hon. David Furman -- Colorado Judicial Conference  
September 22, 2003

*GAL Home Visits-Report Writing*  
Denver Juvenile Court -- November 20, 2002

*Colorado Juvenile Law Review*  
Hon. Christine Chauche  
Executive Towers Inn—December 14, 2000

*Maxims for GALs & Client Contact*  
Hon. Dana Wakefield -Hon. Kathie Janski  
Executive Towers Inn--August 2000

*Truancy Law Seminar*  
Denver Juvenile Court March 11, 1998

#### Contempt

*Contempt Prosecution*  
Victor Devereaux & Dani Diercks  
Denver Juvenile Court -- March 24, 2011

*Child Support & Contempt Defense*  
Victor Devereaux  
CBA-CLE Denver -- February 27, 2008

*Contempt Defense*  
Hon. Raymond Satter  
Denver Juvenile. Court -- May 21, 2007

*Contempt Defense with Hon. David Furman*  
Denver Juvenile Court -- August 22, 2001