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EDUCATION

University of Denver Sturm College of Law, J.D., 2018

Ohio Wesleyan University, B.A., 2010, Economics

GOVERNMENT SERVICE

Judicial Intern to The Honorable David Richman, Colorado Court of Appeals

Investigator, Office of the Colorado State Public Defender

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Messner Reeves, LLP

ADMISSIONS

Colorado

HIGHLIGHTS

- Served as second chair in an arbitration defending a Fortune 500 client in a Fair Labor Standards Act claim in Kansas City, Kansas.
- Served as second chair in successfully defending an oral surgeon at a jury trial in El Paso County, Colorado, involving a third-molar extraction resulting in infection in which \$800,000 in damages were sought.
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INDUSTRIES

- Healthcare
- Professional Services

PRACTICE AREAS

- Healthcare Professional Liability
- Catastrophic Injury Defense

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BIOGRAPHY

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Daniel previously handled healthcare professional liability matters, along with employment and commercial litigation, as an associate in a national law firm's Denver office. He also brings to his client representation invaluable skills, experience, and perspectives gained from having been a founder and principal of a business providing legal-related and other consulting services, and an Investigator for the Office of the Colorado State Public Defender.

CASES

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BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

- Colorado
U.S. District Court, D. Colorado

LEGAL MEMBERSHIPS, ACTIVITIES & HONORS

- Colorado Defense Lawyers Association
Colorado Hispanic Bar Association
Defense Research Institute
The Best Lawyers in America
Ones to Watch: Commercial Litigation, 2023-2024
Ones to Watch: Medical Malpractice Law - Defendants, 2023-2024

PERSONAL INTERESTS

- Snowboarding, traveling, and rooting for the Denver Nuggets