



## Cathleen H. Heintz

Partner

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Cathleen Heintz has more than 25 years of practice in Colorado and the Rocky Mountain region. She offers her clients a comprehensive experience dedicated to finding the very best outcome regardless of the complexity of a case or damages at issue.

Cathleen has a unique background in the insurance industry, having worked directly in the claims and underwriting divisions of several major insurance carriers before beginning her career in law.

Focusing on insurance coverage and defense litigation, she has handled many complex matters involving insurance bad faith and coverage, personal injury, construction defects, premises liability, professional liability, oil and gas, and commercial disputes.

Cathleen enjoys assisting her clients through difficult and complex processes by educating them on the nuances of litigation in various jurisdictions. She pays special attention to the individual needs, concerns, and experience level of each client.

### Testimony on the CDARA Statutory Amendments

In 2010, Cathleen testified before the Colorado House of Representatives on behalf of the insurance industry regarding proposed modifications to the Colorado Construction Defect Action Reform Act, §§ 13-20-801, *et seq.* She also assisted with drafting and mitigating the scope of proposed amendments detrimental to the industry.

### Representative Experience

Successfully litigated commercial and consumer fraud and breach of contract matter in Colorado state court

Successfully defended legal malpractice claim relating to consumer fraud allegations through successful arbitration

Represented a construction contractor against claims of construction defects, plaintiff awarded no damages in arbitration despite demand in excess of \$1 million

Represented major insurance carrier in bad faith dispute pending in Colorado Federal District Court, successfully resolved commercial property claim pre-trial

Settled construction defect demand in excess of \$1 million for minimal damages representing roofing contractor for private resort

## **Awards & Recognition**

MARTINDALE-HUBBELL

AV Pre-Eminent

## **Related Services**

Insurance

## **Publications & Speaking Engagements**

Hydraulic Fracturing Exposure Scenarios and the Potential Challenges They Represent for Municipal Risk Managers

Co-presenter

University of Colorado School of Business – Risk Management Institute

March 2017

Women Leaders in Environmental & Energy Law

Panelist

American Conference Institute, New Orleans, Louisiana

January 2017

Women Leaders in Environmental & Energy Law

Panelist, Crisis Management – Anatomy of a Crisis: Examining the Animas River Spill

American Conference Institute, Houston, Texas

November 2015

Director and Officer Ratings

Moderator, Professional Liability Underwriting Society  
Greenwood Village, Colorado  
April 2013

### **Managing Healthcare Risks**

Moderator, Professional Liability Underwriting Society  
Greenwood Village, Colorado  
April 2012

### **The Handbook on Additional Insureds**

Contributing Author, American Bar Association, “Choice of Law” and “Punitive Damages” articles  
2012

## **Education, Admissions & Activities**

### **EDUCATION**

Delaware Law School-Widener University/University of Denver Sturm College of Law  
J.D. , 1998  
Editorial Board, Denver Journal of International Law and Policy  
Leonard v. B. Sutton Award for International Studies

### **University of Wisconsin-Madison**

B.A. , 1986  
Exchange Student to Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms Universität, Bonn, Germany

### **BAR ADMISSIONS**

Colorado  
1999

### **COURT ADMISSIONS**

United States District Court of Colorado  
Federal District

United States District Court of Appeals  
Ninth and Tenth Circuit

United States Supreme Court

### **PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

Colorado Bar Association

Denver Bar Association

Colorado Defense Lawyers Association

Professional Liability Underwriting Society

Chair Southwest Chapter 2012-2013

Editorial Board CGL Repoter

ABA and International Risk Management Institute, 2010-2013

American Mensa

Boulder/Front Range Mensa

Arapahoe and Douglas County Advocates for Children

Court-appointed special advocate (“CASA”), 2010-2015

Insurance Industry Charitable Foundation

Board member, 2019-2020