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FALL FORUM

— 2016 —

November 16–18  
Little America Hotel  
Salt Lake City

UP TO  
**15** HOURS  
INCL. 1 HR. ETHICS  
& 1 HR. PROF/CIV

# KEYNOTES



## ERIN BROCKOVICH

It's been 16 years since Julia Roberts starred in the Oscar-winning tour de force *Erin Brockovich*. The film turned an unknown legal researcher into a 20th century icon by showcasing how her dogged persistence was the impelling force behind the largest medical settlement lawsuit in history, exposing PG & E for leaking toxic Chromium 6 into ground water for 30 years; *Anderson v. PG&E*. As President of Brockovich Research & Consulting, she is currently involved in numerous environmental projects worldwide. Brockovich has had requests for her help in ground water contamination complaints in every state of the US, Australia, and other international hot spots. She is currently working on cases in California, Texas, Florida, Michigan, Illinois, and Missouri.



## JAN SCHLICHTMANN

Two years earlier on the silver screen, John Travolta portrayed Jan Schlichtmann in *A Civil Action*, highlighting another water contamination case (in Woburn, MA), this one against W. R. Grace and Beatrice Co.; *Anderson v. Cryovac*. Schlichtmann's pioneering work brought together leading experts in science, medicine, and engineering for the first time and used a novel multi-disciplinary approach to unravel the complex interaction between industrial activities and public health. This groundbreaking work has been the subject of a number of legal and scientific journals and books, television and radio shows, press reports, and magazine stories, as well as a national best seller and the film it was based upon. Schlichtmann believes that law and science that is collaborative and healing offers humankind its best hope for a safer, healthier, and better future.



## PROF. DANIEL S. MEDWED

Professor Medwed teaches Criminal Law, Evidence, and Advanced Criminal Procedure: Wrongful Convictions and Post-Conviction Remedies at Northeastern University School of Law. His research and pro bono activities revolve around the topic of wrongful convictions. His book, *Prosecution Complex: America's Race to Convict and Its Impact on the Innocent* (New York University Press, 2012), explores how even well-meaning prosecutors may contribute to wrongful convictions because of cognitive biases and an overly-deferential regime of legal and ethical rules. Prior to joining Northeastern in 2012, Professor Medwed was professor of law at the University of Utah and helped oversee the Brooklyn Law School's Second Look Program, where he worked with students to investigate and litigate innocence claims by New York state prisoners.



## GOVERNOR GARY R. HERBERT

Governor Gary Richard Herbert has led Utah's recovery from the Great Recession to a position of national economic prominence. His unwavering focus on economic development includes attracting businesses and investment to the state while helping homegrown businesses flourish. The governor is focused on four cornerstones to strengthen Utah's economy: education, jobs, energy, and self-determination. As a result, Utah has become a premier destination for business, jobs, and an unsurpassed quality of life. As Utah's 17th governor, he took the oath of office on August 11, 2009. Prior to becoming the state's chief executive, Governor Herbert served as lieutenant governor for five years. He is the past chair of the Western Governors Association and National Governors Association.



## JUSTICE CHRISTINE M. DURHAM

Justice Christine Durham has been on the Utah Supreme Court since 1982 and served as Chief Justice and Chair of the Utah Judicial Council from 2002–2012. She previously served on the state trial court after a number of years in private practice. She received her A.B. with honors from Wellesley College and a J.D. from Duke University, where she is an emeritus member of the Board of Trustees. She is a member of the Council of the American Law Institute, the Board of Overseers for the Rand Corporation's Institute for Civil Justice, and is a Fellow of the American Bar Association. Past professional service includes the governing boards of the American Inns of Court Foundation, the Appellate Judges Conference of the ABA, the ABA's Commission on Women in the Profession, and the Federal Judicial Conference's Advisory Committee on the Rules of Civil Procedure.



## MELINDA K. BOWEN

Melinda Bowen is currently a judicial law clerk for the Honorable Carolyn B. McHugh on the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals. When she completes her clerkship, she will return to Snow, Christensen & Martineau and resume her work in the white collar defense and commercial litigation practice groups. Melinda served as President of the Utah Minority Bar Association from 2013 to 2015 and currently serves on the Women Lawyers of Utah Special Projects Committee. She is also a member of the Executive Committee of the UCLI Board of Governors.

# 2016 FALL FORUM Wednesday, November 16

Broadway Theatre – 111 East Broadway, Salt Lake City

5:30—6:30 PM

**Judges and Lawyers Reception**

6:30—9:00 PM

**2 CLE**

**Film: Erin Brockovich, followed by a panel discussion.** Panel: Jill Dunyon – Snow, Christensen & Martineau, Nancy Mismash – Robert J. DeBry, Dan Morse – Brayton Purcell LLP, and Eric Jenkins – Christensen & Jensen

# 2016 FALL FORUM Thursday, November 17

Little America Hotel – 500 South Main, Salt Lake City

7:30—8:15 AM

**Continental Breakfast**

8:15—8:30 AM

**Welcome & Introductions:** Co-Chairs Gabe White – Christensen & Jensen; Amy Fowler – Salt Lake Legal Defenders Association

8:30—9:30 AM

**BALLROOM AB**

**1 Ethics**

**Breakfast Session:** Prof. Daniel S. Medwed – Northeastern University  
*Prosecutorial Ethics in the Twenty-first Century*

9:30—9:40 AM

**Break**

**Trial Academy: The Art of Persuasion**

**Criminal Law**

**Transactional/Business**

9:40—10:40 AM

**BALLROOM C**

**ARIZONA**

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**1 CLE**

Persuasive Storytelling:  
Developing the Case Narrative  
Trial Academy Faculty

Current Ethical Issues in Criminal Law Practice  
Prof. Daniel S. Medwed – Northeastern University

Collections for the Small Business  
Chip Shaner – Olson Shaner

10:40—10:50 AM

**Break**

**Trial Academy: The Art of Persuasion**

**Transactional Law**

**Transactional/Business**

10:50—11:50 AM

**BALLROOM C**

**ARIZONA**

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**1 CLE**

Finding Compelling Experts  
Trial Academy Faculty

Don't Be Wet Behind the Ears:  
Useful Tips About Utah Water Law Every  
General Practitioner Should Know  
Emily E. Lewis – ClydeSnow

Employment Law for Dummies  
Lauren I. Scholnick – Strindberg & Scholnick, LLC

11:50 AM—NOON

**Break**

12:00—1:00 PM

**BALLROOM AB**

**1 CLE Lunch Session:** Jan Schlichtmann – *What "A Civil Action" Taught Me About Power Law & Justice*

1:00—1:10 PM

**Break**

**Trial Academy: The Art of Persuasion**

**Family Law**

**New Practice Areas**

1:10—2:10 PM

**BALLROOM C**

**ARIZONA**

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**1 CLE**

Case Narrative and Motion Practice:  
Persuasive Legal Writing  
Trial Academy Faculty

Family Law Basics for New Lawyers  
Allison R. Librett – Librett Law, PLLC  
Jarrod H. Jennings – Jennings and Medura

Entertainment Law:  
New Legal Issues in the Digital Age  
Michelle C. Kennedy – Kennedy Art & Entertainment Law

2:10—2:20 PM

**Break**

**Trial Academy: The Art of Persuasion**

**Family Law**

**New Practice Areas**

2:20—3:20 PM

**BALLROOM C**

**ARIZONA**

**IDAHO**

**1 CLE**

Facts and How to Face Them:  
the Good, the Bad, the Ugly  
Trial Academy Faculty

Best Mediation Practices for Attorneys  
Marcella L. Keck – Accord Mediation  
Michelle M. Roybal-Oldroyd – Director of the Utah  
Commission on Civic and Character Education

In This Corner: Trial and Appellate Counsel  
Square Off  
Karra J. Porter – Christensen & Jensen  
Patricia C. Kuendig – Christensen & Jensen

6:00—9:00 PM

**UMBA Banquet: 6:00 pm – Cocktail Hour, 7:00 pm – Dinner; Little America Hotel**

The Fall Forum is excited to partner again with the Utah Minority Bar Association's 2016 Scholarship and Awards Banquet. \$75/person or \$700/table of ten.

Additional banquet information available at [www.utahminoritybar.org/banquet](http://www.utahminoritybar.org/banquet).

Questions can be directed to Jamie Sorenson at (801) 323-3326, [jsorenson@rqn.com](mailto:jsorenson@rqn.com).



**UTAH MINORITY BAR ASSOCIATION**  
PROMOTING DIVERSITY IN THE LAW

9:30 PM—1:00 AM

**After Party: The Rest – located in the Bodega, 331 South Main Street, Salt Lake City**

Admission included with registration.

# 2016 FALL FORUM Friday, November 18

Little America Hotel – 500 South Main, Salt Lake City

7:30–8:00 AM	<b>Continental Breakfast</b>		
8:00–8:30 AM	<b>Introductions &amp; Awards:</b> Co-Chairs Gabe White – Christensen & Jensen; Amy Fowler – Salt Lake Legal Defenders Association		
8:30–9:30 AM	<b>BALLROOM AB</b> <b>1 Prof/Civ</b> <b>Breakfast Session:</b> <i>A Diversity and Inclusion Initiative: Why It's Needed and How to Get Involved</i> Governor Gary R. Herbert; Justice Christine M. Durham – Utah Supreme Court; Melinda K. Bowen – Past-President, Utah Minority Bar		
9:30–9:40 AM	<b>Break</b>		
	<b>Trial Academy: The Art of Persuasion</b>	<b>Criminal Law</b>	<b>Transactional/Business</b>
9:40–10:40 AM <b>1 CLE</b>	<b>BALLROOM C</b> Dealing with Damages Trial Academy Faculty	<b>ARIZONA</b> Affirmative Defenses: Admissibility, Burdens, Scope & Practical Applications Wojciech S. Nitecki – Salt Lake Legal Defenders Assoc.	<b>IDAHO</b> Nuts and Bolts of Business Formation Blake R. Voorhees – Ray Quinney & Nebeker
10:40–10:50 AM	<b>Break</b>		
	<b>Trial Academy: The Art of Persuasion</b>	<b>Criminal Law</b>	<b>Transactional/Business</b>
10:50–11:50 AM <b>1 CLE</b>	<b>BALLROOM C</b> Testing the Waters: Mock Juries, Focus Groups Trial Academy Faculty	<b>ARIZONA</b> Law Firm Security: Why You Need It and How You Get It Dean Sapp, CISSP – Brain Trace	<b>IDAHO</b> Drafting Asset Purchase Agreements N. Todd Leishman – Durham Jones & Pinegar
11:50 AM–NOON	<b>Break</b>		
NOON–1:00 PM	<b>BALLROOM AB</b> <b>1 CLE</b> <b>Lunch Session:</b> Erin Brockovich – <i>The Power of One.</i> <i>The Power of One</i> emphasizes the difference that one person or a small group of individuals can make through the law.		
1:00–1:10 PM	<b>Break</b>		
	<b>Trial Academy: The Art of Persuasion</b>	<b>Family Law</b>	<b>New Practice Areas</b>
1:10 – 2:10 PM <b>1 CLE</b>	<b>BALLROOM C</b> Tips & Techniques to Persuade at Civil & Criminal Trials: Use of Technology and Demonstrative Exhibits Trial Academy Faculty	<b>ARIZONA</b> Juvenile Court for Family Law Practitioners Nicole A. Salazar-Hall – ClydeSnow Brent W. Salazar-Hall – Jennings & Medura	<b>IDAHO</b> Antitrust Primer: 10 Things Every Non-Antitrust Attorney Should Know Jeremy J. Stewart – Snell & Wilmer
2:10–2:20 PM	<b>Break</b>		
	<b>Trial Academy: The Art of Persuasion</b>	<b>Family Law</b>	<b>New Practice Areas</b>
2:20–3:20 PM <b>1 CLE</b>	<b>BALLROOM C</b> Tips & Techniques to Persuade at Civil & Criminal Trials: Witness Examination Trial Academy Faculty	<b>ARIZONA</b> Effectively Using Mental Health Professionals in Family Law Matters Diana L. Telfer – ClydeSnow Dr. Natalie Malovich – Aspen Mediation	<b>IDAHO</b> Effective Advocacy for Transgender Clients T. Christopher Wharton – Chris Wharton Law, LLC
3:20–3:30 PM	<b>Break</b>		
	<b>Trial Academy: The Art of Persuasion</b>	<b>Family Law</b>	<b>New Practice Areas</b>
3:30–4:30 PM <b>1 CLE</b>	<b>BALLROOM C</b> Tips & Techniques to Persuade at Civil & Criminal Trials: Opening Statements and Closing Arguments Trial Academy Faculty	<b>ARIZONA</b> Divorce Financial Planning Ryan A. Smith, CRPC – Rivettas Wealth Strategies	<b>IDAHO</b> Utah Limited Paralegal Practitioner Justice Deno G. Himonas – Utah Supreme Court and Committee Chair, Supreme Court Task Force to Examine LLL Hon. Kate A. Toomey – Utah Court of Appeals Robert O. Rice – Ray Quinney & Nebeker Julie M. Emery – Parsons, Behle & Latimer

See a list of the Trial Academy Faculty on pages 6 and 7.



# 2016 FALL FORUM PRESENTERS



**Julie M. Emery** is a paralegal at Parsons Behle & Latimer with 26 years experience working on complex litigation, trial practice, electronic discovery and document management. She is currently the chair of the Utah State Bar Paralegal Division and sits on the Supreme Court of Utah's Paralegal Practitioner Steering Committee.



**Amy N. Fowler** graduated from S.J. Quinney College of Law in 2011. She has worked as a felony attorney at the Salt Lake Legal Defenders Association since 2014. She currently serves as the LGBT and Allied Lawyers Association of Utah representative to the Utah Bar Commission.



**Justice Constandinos "Deno" Himonas** was appointed to the Utah Supreme Court in February 2015. Prior to his appointment, he served as a trial court judge in the Third District Court for the State of Utah for over 10 years. Justice Himonas was the chair of the Supreme Court Task Force to Examine Limited Legal Licensing and is currently the chair of the Paralegal Practitioner Steering Committee.



**Marcella L. "Marcie" Keck** has been providing mediation services in Utah through Accord Mediation since 1989. She has trained many other mediators and is an adjunct faculty member at the University of Utah.



**Michelle C. Kennedy** focuses her entertainment law practice on representing talent, creators, and creative businesses in business entity planning and formation, intellectual property management, and commercial transactions. Her clients work in digital/social media, music, photography, and graphic design.



**Patricia C. Kuendig** litigates, tries, and resolves cases from complex civil matters to family law cases, criminal law proceedings and more. She is licensed in Utah, Florida and Georgia, but manages all cases out of Christensen & Jensen's Park City, Utah office.



**N. Todd Leishman** is a shareholder at Durham Jones & Pinegar where his practice concentrates on corporate and business law with emphasis on representing sellers in sales of privately owned companies to financial and strategic buyers, acquirers in mergers and acquisitions, and companies in debt and equity financing transactions.



**Emily E. Lewis** is an attorney with ClydeSnow. She advises and guides clients through the complexities of Utah water law before the Utah State Engineer, the management and protection of water rights portfolios, the corporate governance of water related entities, the drafting of water documents such as delivery agreements, and the general litigation process.



**Allison R. Librett** has experience with divorce, pre/post nuptial agreements, custody, paternity, divorce modifications, enforcement of decrees, adoption, grandparent rights, guardianship and protective orders.



**Dr. Natalie Malovich** is a licensed psychologist specializing in high conflict divorce and custody issues. Dr. Malovich is trained in mediation and is on the Court approved roster of domestic mediators. She also provides co-parenting classes for parents involved in high conflict separation and divorce.



**Cassie J. Medura** has over sixteen years experience in family law and litigation at one of Utah's oldest and most prestigious law firms. She brings this experience, along with a commitment to providing quality and efficient legal services, to her practice at Jennings & Medura, LLC.



**Wojciech S. Nitecki** has been a trial attorney with the Salt Lake Legal Defender Association since 2008. He received his undergraduate degree from the University of Wisconsin, Madison, and the J.D. degree from the University of Utah S.J. Quinney College Of Law.



**Karra J. Porter** is an appellate lawyer with nearly 30 years experience. She has been lead or co-lead counsel in more than 150 civil and criminal appeals in Utah as well as several other state and federal appellate courts. She also regularly tries cases and has faced the same dilemmas as other trial counsel in deciding which issues to let go and which to fight.



**Robert O. Rice** is a shareholder at Ray Quinney & Nebeker and current President of the Utah State Bar. Mr. Rice practices in the areas of labor and employment law, commercial litigation and intellectual property law. Rob's employment practice focuses exclusively on defending employers and advising them on on-going personnel matters.



**Michelle M. Roybal-Oldroyd** is an attorney, mediator, and law professor. She is the Director of the Utah Commission on Civic and Character Education, working with the Lieutenant Governor and the Utah Legislature to improve and innovate classroom curriculum on social studies and character education. She brings expertise in dispute resolution, high conflict mediation, media relations, high profile trial management, professional development, and government relations to her roles as practitioner and teacher.



**Nicole A. Salazar-Hall** focuses her practice on civil litigation and family law, representing individuals in domestic and child welfare cases. Previously she represented indigent clients in the Third District Juvenile Court.



**Brent W. Salazar-Hall** served as a court-appointed parental rights defender in Salt Lake County for eight years. He previously served as a member of the Third District Drug Court Executive Management Committee and is currently serving on the Utah Supreme Court's Advisory Committee on the Rules of Juvenile Procedure. Brent is currently a partner at Jennings & Medura, LLC.



**Dean Sapp, CISSP** is a long-time security practitioner with 24 years of combined Information Security and IT experience, including 17 years working with AM 100 and 250 law firms. He has significant experience in developing, evangelizing, and implementing cost-effective and robust security programs. He is currently Chief Information Security Officer at Braintrace.com.



**Lauren I. Scholnick** has championed equal protection, civil rights, and due process for her entire life, beginning in elementary school when she organized her classmates against lunch room tyranny. For the last 11 years Lauren's practice has focused on reforming the law through individual and multi-plaintiff employment cases.

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**Chip Shaner** is the Managing Partner for the law firm Olson Shaner. Chip's practice focuses on the recovery of unpaid consumer and commercial accounts.



**Ryan A. Smith, CRPC** is the founder/head financial planner at Rivettas Wealth Strategies. Ryan helps divorce attorneys map out and analyze the clients' financial situation, during the divorce process and long term, providing clients peace of mind and, in turn, reinforcing the client's confidence in their attorney.



**Jeremy J. Stewart** is a commercial litigator in the Salt Lake City office of Snell & Wilmer. Throughout his practice in Washington, D.C. and now in Utah, Jeremy's practice has focused on antitrust and competition matters ranging from small business disputes to international investigations and multi-district litigations.



**Diana L. Telfer** focuses her practice on representing individuals in all aspects of family law matters, estate planning, and small business consulting. She also is regularly appointed as a guardian ad litem representing the best interests of children.



**Hon. Kate A. Toomey** took the oath of office in September 2014 after her appointment to the Court of Appeals by Gov. Gary Herbert. Prior to her appointment, she was a Third District Court Judge for nearly eight years. Judge Toomey currently serves as a member of the Judicial Council and the Utah Supreme Court's Advisory Committee on the Rules of Civil Procedure.



**Blake R. Voorhees** is a member of the Ray Quinney & Nebeker's Tax, Trusts and Estate Planning Section. He focuses his practice in the areas of estate planning, estate and trust administration, nonprofit organizations, business planning and taxation.



**T. Christopher Wharton** is a Salt Lake City-based attorney focusing on family law, criminal defense, and LGBT advocacy. In 2015, he obtained the first same-sex common law marriage adjudication in Utah. Chris serves on the Utah Bar Commission as the young lawyer representative to the ABA House of Delegates. He is also a member and past chair of the Salt Lake City Human Rights Commission.

# 2016 FALL FORUM TRIAL ACADEMY FACULTY



**Hon. David M. Connors** was appointed to the Second District Court by Governor Jon M. Huntsman, Jr. and took office January 2008. He serves Davis, Morgan, and Weber counties. Prior to his appointment, Judge Connors was a partner in the Litigation Department of Chapman and Cutler LLP.



**Hon. Ryan M. Harris** was appointed to the Third District Court in August 2011 by Governor Gary Herbert. Prior to his appointment Judge Harris served as a small claims judge. He also practiced law at Jones, Waldo, Holbrook & McDonough and served on the firm's Board of Directors and Executive Committee. Judge Harris also worked as an Adjunct Professor at the University of Utah's S.J. Quinney College of Law.



**Hon. Keith A. Kelly** was appointed to the Third District Court 2009 by Gov. Gary R. Herbert. He serves Salt Lake, Summit, and Tooele counties. Prior to his appointment to the bench, Judge Kelly practiced at Ray Quinney & Nebeker for 23 years. He has served since 1998 as a member of the Utah Supreme Court's Advisory Committee on the Rules of Evidence and as chairman of the Utah Judicial Council's Oversight Committee for the Office of the Guardian Ad Litem.



**Hon. Laura S. Scott** was appointed to the Third District Court in October 2014 by Governor Gary R. Herbert. She serves Salt Lake, Summit, and Tooele counties. Prior to her appointment, Judge Scott maintained a commercial and real estate litigation practice at Parsons Behle & Latimer.



**Hon. Andrew H. Stone** was appointed to the Third District Court in October 2010 by Gov. Gary R. Herbert. He serves Salt Lake, Summit, and Tooele counties. Prior to his appointment he worked at the law firm of Jones, Waldo, Holbrook & McDonough, where he served on its Board and Executive Committee.



**Hon. Clark Waddoups** was appointed to the U.S. District Court for the District of Utah by President George W. Bush in 2008. Prior to his appointment he was an experienced trial lawyer representing clients in banking and finance, manufacturing, broadcasting, automotive, oil, and real estate.



**Hon. Brooke C. Wells** is a federal magistrate judge for the United States District Court for the District of Utah. She was appointed to this position on June 4, 2003.

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**Rod N. Andreason** is a member of Kirton McConkie's Litigation section. His practice emphasizes complex commercial and civil cases in areas such as partnership disputes, complex leasing arrangements, securities, contract breaches and intellectual property disputes. He is also active in Alternative Dispute Resolution, approved by Utah State Courts as a Qualified Arbitrator and representing clients in both arbitration and mediation.



**Bruce S. Baird**  
Bruce S. Baird, PC



**Sharon A. Donovan** is a partner at Dart, Adamson & Donovan where she practices primarily in the area of family law, litigation, and alternative dispute resolution. She is a strong advocate who uses sensitivity and empathy when helping families in transition and has extensive experience with large marital estates, complex custody issues, and all other aspects of divorce practice.



**Jeffrey D. Eisenberg** is the founding partner of Eisenberg, Gilchrist & Cutt. He handles tort, Qui Tam and insurance bad faith claims. Mr. Eisenberg has obtained approximately 100 seven figure recoveries for clients in a wide variety of tort and whistleblower cases and has conducted focus groups for nearly 20 years.



**Jonathan O. Hafen** is a shareholder at Parr Brown Gee & Loveless. He has extensive experience representing clients in federal and state courts handling a wide variety of litigation including securities and investment law, employment law, breach of contract, property disputes, intellectual property, and class actions.



**Paul H. Jepsen**, Senior Vice President of DecisionQuest, has provided jury research and trial consulting on several thousand civil and criminal cases in both state and federal courts with an expertise that includes overall trial strategy, opening statements, witness evaluation and preparation, demonstrative exhibits, voir dire, verdict and damages risk analysis, and juror questionnaires.



**David J. Jordan** is a partner at Stoel Rives, LLP concentrating his practice in commercial litigation. He has represented business and individuals in a wide variety of civil matters. He is the former U.S. Attorney for the District of Utah, and served from 1992-1993 as Vice-Chairman of the U.S. Attorney General's Advisory Committee.



**Jordan P. Kendell** is the managing partner of Eisenberg Gilchrist & Cutt and serves on the Board of the Utah Association for Justice. He has conducted dozens of focus groups in a variety of tort cases.



**James E. Magleby** practices in all areas of intellectual property and complex civil and commercial litigation. Mr. Magleby's litigation and trial experience includes cases involving trade secrets, patents, trademarks and unfair competition, the Lanham Act, trade dress, real property and real estate, construction, partnership and business dissolutions, commercial collections, securities, landlord-tenant disputes, and non-competition and non-circumvention agreements.



**Roger Smith** is a principal of the Lone Peak Valuation Group and is primarily involved with performing business and intellectual property valuations and computing commercial litigation and intellectual property damages. Roger has a masters degree in accounting and is a CPA, Accredited in Business Valuation.



**Matthew L. Lalli** is a trial and litigation attorney who has tried dozens of cases in courts and arbitration tribunals in Utah, California, and throughout the United States. He is the litigation practice group leader at Snell & Wilmer's Salt Lake City office, a member of the firm's ethics committee, and loss prevention counsel to the firm.



**MaryGrace J. Schaeffer**, Senior Vice President of DecisionQuest, has developed trial strategies from a social science perspective for over 25 years. Her expertise includes overall trial strategy and theme development, mock trials, voir dire and jury selection, witness evaluation and preparation, shadow juries, post-trial interviews and visual communications.



**Amy F. Sorenson** is a regional civil litigator, defending business litigation matters in Utah, Nevada and California courts. Her complex commercial litigation practice includes general business litigation, financial services litigation, intellectual property, professional liability, and business tort litigation in the federal and state courts, arbitration, and on appeal.



**Michael A. Stahler** is a shareholder at Strong & Hanni where he practices Construction Law, Personal Injury Defense, Torts, and Land Use/Environmental Litigation.



**Jenifer L. Tomchak** has extensive experience representing clients in a wide variety of commercial litigation matters, including professional and legal malpractice defense, commercial banking and equipment finance litigation, securities and investment litigation, and employment litigation.



**Francis M. Wikstrom** is a trial lawyer at Parsons Behle & Latimer. He is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and currently serves as immediate past president. His practice consists of complex civil litigation and white collar criminal defense. He formerly served as an Assistant United States Attorney and as a U.S. Attorney for the District of Utah. He has been with Parsons Behle & Latimer since 1982.



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