

Jerad West

Partner

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Jerad grew up working in the construction industry and has helped hundreds of clients with their construction and insurance matters, providing them with trusted, custom-built advice and representation.

Jerad's Core Practices

Construction | Insurance | Litigation

Jerad's law practice focuses on construction and insurance law and litigation.

Construction

Jerad represents general contractors, sureties, subcontractors, and developers in commercial and residential construction transactions as well as in state and federal courts and in national and international arbitration forums. He has a diverse caseload, handling construction disputes involving acceleration, breach of contract, construction defects, delay, disruption, inefficiency, labor productivity, performance guarantees, schedule impacts, sequencing, and warranties. Focusing on his clients' business objectives and goals rather than one-size-fits-all forms, Jerad also negotiates and drafts construction and commercial contracts on a variety of project types and delivery models.

Insurance

Jerad provides risk and coverage analysis for his clients and guides them through the investigation and claim processes. In addition, he represents clients in state and federal courts in insurance coverage disputes concerning commercial general liability, property, commercial auto, auto, and homeowners' policies. He has extensive experience litigating insurance bad faith cases.

Relevant Work Experience

Prior to practicing law, Jerad worked for six years in the risk management and construction industries. He also served for six years as an enlisted soldier in the United States Army Reserve.

Education

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

In law school, Jerad served as a principal for the Construction and Real Estate Law Society.

B.S., Central Washington University

Certification, Association of Risk Management, Insurance Institute of America

Admissions

- Colorado
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Tenth Circuit
- U.S. District Court, District of Colorado

Related Practices

- Construction
- Insurance Coverage
- Litigation

Associations

- Colorado Bar Association
- Denver Bar Association

Published Cases

Pac. Specialty Ins. Co. v. Poirier, 408 F. Supp. 3d 1241 (D. Colo. 2019).

Wardcraft Homes, Inc. v. Emps. Mut. Cas. Co., 70 F. Supp. 3d 1198, 1200 (D. Colo. 2014).

Garcia v. Century Sur. Co., 71 F. Supp. 3d 1184 (D. Colo. 2014).

Honors + Awards

Rising Star, Super Lawyers (Insurance) (2013)

Rising Star, Super Lawyers (Construction) (2015)

Top 100 Defense Lawyers (Colorado) (2024)

Pro Bono

Jerad provides pro bono legal work for Metro Volunteers Family Law Permanent Orders Clinic.

Out + About

Jerad grew up outside Seattle, Washington and is a lifelong Seahawks fan and rugby player. When he is not in the office, you will find Jerad spending time with his family, doing home renovations, or working on his vintage truck.