

Steven C. Choquette
Alternative Dispute Resolution (“ADR”) Resume

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Areas of Experience and Availability

- *Commercial Disputes*: contracts; business torts; intra-employee and intra-owner/manager conflicts; business dissolutions.
- *Personal Injury*: catastrophic injuries, including closed-head and traumatic brain injuries; wrongful death; premises liability; auto accidents; medical malpractice; products liability.
- *Insurance Coverage*: general liability; property; law-and-ordinance; homeowner’s; business interruption; duty to defend; bad faith.
- *Intellectual Property*: trade secrets; confidentiality agreements.
- *Securities*: broker-raiding cases.
- *Construction*: defects; contract disputes.
- *Real Estate*: homeowners association (HOA) disputes; adverse possession. easements and licenses; contract disputes; landlord-tenant.
- *Family Law*: dissolution; post-decree.

Professional Experience

Choquette & Simons LLP, Denver, CO: Co-founder and partner, 2007 to present. Continued trial, appellate, and ADR practice, as described under *Holland & Hart LLP*, below, and also including service as an arbitrator in commercial disputes.

Holland & Hart LLP, Denver, CO: Associate and partner, 1986-2007. Trial, appellate, and ADR practice in complex commercial, tort, intellectual property, and insurance matters; numerous jury and bench trials and appeals in state and federal courts; numerous mediations as advocate or mediator; numerous negotiations and arbitrations as advocate.

Publications

“An Overview of Colorado Law on Mediation,” and “Supplement To An Overview on Colorado Law on Mediation,” prepared for and presented at the COLORADO STATEWIDE ADR CONFERENCE (October 2008).

“Enforcing the Award,” outline, presentation, and panel member for CLE Program on Post-Award Proceedings in Arbitration,” CLE IN COLORADO, INC. (September 2008).

“Colorado Law on Mediation: A Primer,” 35 THE COLORADO LAWYER 21-31 (March 2006).

“A Three-Year Survey of Colorado Appellate Decisions on Arbitration – Part II,” 34 THE COLORADO LAWYER 47-58 (March 2005).

“A Three-Year Survey of Colorado Appellate Decisions on Arbitration – Part I,” 34 THE COLORADO LAWYER 41-48 (February 2005).

Teaching Experience

Adjunct Professor, *Alternative Dispute Resolution*, Denver University Sturm College of Law, Denver, CO, Spring semester, 2006, 2007, 2008.

Mediation Coach, *Basic Mediation Training*, Colorado Bar Association, 2008.

Mediation Coach, *The Mediation Process and Advanced Mediation*, Mares-Dixon and Associates, Louisville, CO, 2007 & 2008.

Panelist, "A Legal Overview for Non-Lawyer Mediators," *Court-Annexed Mediation Program*, Denver, CO, 2007 & 2008.

Visiting lecturer, "ADR Processes," *Construction Law*, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO, 2006. (for Adjunct Professor Douglas A. Karet.)

Visiting lecturer, "A Trial Lawyer's Perspective on Mediation," *Alternative Dispute Resolution*, Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, D.C., 2005. (for Adjunct Professor Nancy Lesser.)

**Training
Received**

International Dispute Resolution, Craig M.J. Allely, Denver, CO, 2007.

Hot Topics in Healthcare ADR, Colorado Continuing Legal Education, Denver, CO, 2007.

Goliath vs. Goliath: Organizing the Construction Case for Mediation. American Bar Assn. ("ABA") ADR Section, New York, NY, 2007.

Third Annual Arbitration Training Institute: A Comprehensive Training in Commercial Arbitration, ABA ADR Section, New York, NY, 2007.

Settlement Conferences in Federal Court, Faculty of Federal Advocates, Denver, CO, 2006.

Mediation Excellence, CBA ADR Section, Denver, CO, 2006.

Technical Teams in Mediation, CBA ADR Section, Denver, CO, 2005.

The Golden State of ADR, ABA ADR Section, Los Angeles, CA, 2005. (Programs attended included: "Into the Heart of Conflict"; "Partnership Dissolution: Putting the Good in Goodbye"; "What's Different About Complex Case Mediation"; "Can Mass Torts Have Mass Settlements?").

Mediator Training and Orientation, Court-Annexed Mediation Program, Denver Bar Association ("DBA"), Denver, CO, 2004.

The Mediation Process (40-hour intensive course), Center for Dispute Resolution, Boulder, CO, 2004.

Education

J.D., Denver University College of Law, Denver, CO, 1986.

B.A., Colgate University, Hamilton, NY, 1982.

**Community
Service**

Court-Annexed Mediation Program, Denver County Court: volunteer mediator, 2005-present.

Legal Aid Foundation: trustee, 2004-present.

Metro Volunteer Lawyers: board chair, 2002-04; board member, 1994-2005.

Awards

Colorado "*Super Lawyer*," general civil litigation, 2006, 2007 & 2008 (peer-selected).