



Craig Stewart

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Craig Stewart successfully represents clients from a broad array of industries in complex litigation, providing sound counsel when their reputations are on the line.

His clients rely on Craig for help in commercial, cybersecurity/privacy/data breach, class action, resources/environmental, and lawyer professional liability litigation.

Craig has extensive trial experience in state and federal courts and administrative tribunals, including trials in cases involving disputes over corporate governance and control, complex contract interpretation, validity of mining claims, mining joint ventures, and natural resource damages under CERCLA.

Craig is a Certified Information Privacy Professional through the International Association of Privacy Professionals.

Craig serves as counsel to the firm. He led Holland & Hart's 100-lawyer Commercial Litigation Practice Group from 2010-2017.

EXPERIENCE

Corporate And Commercial Litigation

Craig works strategically with clients to resolve all types of corporate and commercial disputes and litigation, including:

- Contract disputes, including Uniform Commercial Code and other contract issues
- Professional liability, including legal malpractice defense
- Business torts, including negligent misrepresentation, fraud, concealment, conversion, and breach of fiduciary duty
- Corporate governance disputes, including officers' and directors' duties, dissolution, valuation, mismanagement, shareholder derivative issues, investment banking issues, and class action securities fraud
- Corporate ownership disputes, including management/leveraged buyouts and corporate misappropriation
- Partnership and joint venture disputes, including fiduciary duties, limited partnerships, valuation, and dissolution

Cybersecurity, Privacy, and Data Breach Issues

PRACTICES

Commercial Litigation
 Cybersecurity and Data Breach Defense
 Class Actions
 Antitrust and Trade Regulation
 Legal Professional Liability
 Alternative Dispute Resolution
 Environmental and Natural Resources Litigation
 Securities Enforcement and Shareholder Litigation
 Cybersecurity and Privacy

EDUCATION

University of Virginia Law School, J.D., 1987

University of Kansas, B.S., 1984

BAR ADMISSIONS

Colorado

Craig assists clients in cybersecurity and privacy law, including:

- Data breach policies and procedures
- Data breach preparedness
- Cybersecurity or privacy incident preparedness
- Cybersecurity, privacy, or data breach litigation

Oil And Gas Litigation

Craig represents energy industry clients in a variety of matters, including:

- Gas royalty lawsuits, including class actions
- Land use litigation
- Litigation regarding commercial contracts

Environmental Litigation

Craig has represented clients facing a range of environmental issues, including:

- Toxic tort class actions
- CERCLA litigation for natural resources damages
- RCRA litigation
- Underground storage tank disputes

CLIENT RESULTS

Representative Matters

Lead lawyer for client with major data breach; successfully resolved reporting and related issues.

Lead lawyer for defendant in Telephone Consumer Protection Act class action; no class was certified and successfully resolved matter with named plaintiff only.

Lead lawyer in jury trial in federal court defending major oil and gas client facing breach of contract, fraud, and tort claims with alleged damages of \$12 million plus punitive damages; achieved dismissal of all tort claims, and complete defense verdict on breach of contract claims

Lead lawyer representing former owner of lead mine in environmental case with RCRA, Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, and tort claims; resolved claims with client contributing no funds toward global settlement with value of more than \$25 million.

Lead lawyer for AmLaw 200 firm in legal malpractice case; claims against client dismissed on motion for summary judgment.

Lead lawyer for AmLaw 200 firm in legal malpractice defense case; negotiated favorable settlement for client prior to deposition discovery.

Lead lawyer in commercial contract case against Fortune 50 client;

successful motion for summary judgment to defeat fraud and tort claims.

Lead lawyer representing major oil and gas client in rulemaking proceedings before the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission.

Represented major oil and gas company in class action royalty litigation; case resolved successfully before trial.

Tried four-week administrative proceeding regarding validity of mining claims.

PUBLICATIONS

"GDPR "Lite" Comes to the United States: The California Consumer Privacy Act of 2018," *Holland & Hart News Update*, Co-Author, 06/29/2018

"The CLOUD Act: Where It Sheds Light and Where Shadows Remain," *Holland & Hart News Update*, Co-Author, 05/14/2018

"Supreme Court Hears Argument on Whether Cellphone Records Are Protected by Fourth Amendment," *Holland & Hart News Update*, Co-Author, 11/29/2017

"Supreme Court to Consider Whether Companies That Store Data Outside the U.S. Can Be Required to Produce It in the U.S.," *Holland & Hart News Update*, Co-Author, 11/13/2017

"Safe Harbor for Data Security: New York's Proposed Changes Could Be Followed by Other States," *Holland & Hart News Update*, Co-Author, 11/07/2017

"Civil Justice Reform," *Business and Commercial Litigation in Federal Courts, Fourth Edition*, Co-Author, 2016

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

"Are You Ready? Building or Strengthening Your Cybersecurity Incident Response Plan," March 13, 2018

RECOGNITION

- International Association of Privacy Professionals, Certified Information Privacy Professional (CIPP/US)
- Fellow, American Bar Foundation
- Colorado Lawyers Committee Outstanding Sustained Contribution Award, 2013
- *Benchmark Litigation*, Future Star, 2011-2018
- *The Best Lawyers in America*® Commercial Litigation, 2013-2019; Bet-the-Company Litigation, 2017-2019
- Martindale-Hubbell®, AV Preeminent® Rating
- Colorado Super Lawyers®, Business Litigation, 2012-2019

PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC AFFILIATIONS

- Colorado Lawyers Committee, Board of Directors and Executive Committee, 1999-present
- American, Colorado, and Denver Bar Associations, Member
- Good Shepherd Foundation, Board of Directors, 2008-present