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Clients turn to Shawn for his deep knowledge of insurance coverage issues and effective legal strategy informed by practical industry experience.

PRACTICES

Policyholder Insurance Coverage
Real Estate Litigation
Business Litigation

EDUCATION

University of Denver Sturm College of Law, JD, 2006
Scholastic Excellence Award, Trial Practice
Scholastic Excellence Award, Motions Practice
Colorado State University, BA, Political Science, 2001

Shawn leverages extensive experience with routine and complex insurance disputes to represent and advise policyholders on insurance coverage matters. His experience working in the insurance and construction sectors has equipped him with valuable perspective that he brings to his legal practice. Shawn has successfully pursued insurance coverage claims for many policyholder clients, advising them on a range of business, insurance coverage, litigation, and transactional matters.

A focused and effective litigator, Shawn has managed all aspects of significant business litigation matters, including serving as first chair at trial. He represents a diverse array of businesses such as contractors, hospitality companies, oil and gas industry clients, real estate developers, architects, engineers, and other professionals in complex litigation. Shawn also prosecutes third-party complaints against various parties.

CLIENT RESULTS

Representative Cases

S K Peightal Engineers, LTD v. Mid Valley Real Estate Sols. V, LLC

Acting as personal counsel advising our client on its insurance coverage associated with antitrust claims brought against them. We have succeeded in getting the insurance company to provide a full defense and agree to retain their preferred anti-trust attorneys.

We were asked to assist with a construction defect claim and resulting insurance issues. We reviewed our clients insurance policy and discovered that they had a broad earth movement coverage, providing \$50M in coverage. The insurance companies refused to cover the losses, prompting us to file suit in state court. Through discovery and motions practice, we obtained a \$5.6M settlement, which reimbursed the out-of-pocket costs to our client.

Represented a public school district in a contract dispute and secured the district a defense in the matter that was funded by its insurer.

Successfully litigated against a residential construction developer's insurer and ultimately secured coverage for first party property damage under the

developer's builder's risk policy.

Regularly advocates for coverage on behalf of insurance brokers' clients who are denied coverage by their insurance carriers in order to reach quick resolution and payment of claims ranging from professional liability, pollution, directors and officers, and general liability claims to first party property claims.

PUBLICATIONS

"Enhancements and Pitfalls in Insurance Coverage for Development Projects," *The Brief, Vol. 50, No. 2, Winter 2021, American Bar Association, Winter 2021*

"COVID-19: Insurance/Risk Management," *Holland & Hart Coronavirus Resource Site, March 14, 2020*

"The Practitioner's Guide to Colorado Construction Law; The Owner of the Construction Project," Contributor, 2015-2018 editions

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

"Top Ten Recent Insurance Law Decisions from the Colorado Courts," *CBA CLE, March 28, 2024*

"Responding to Questions about COVID-19 Related Exposures," June 8, 2020

RECOGNITION

- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Litigation - Insurance, 2021-2025; Personal Injury Litigation - Defendants, 2022-2025; Commercial Litigation, 2023-2025; Litigation - Construction, 2025

PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC AFFILIATIONS

- Habitat for Humanity – Volunteer
- ARC Thrift Stores – Volunteer
- Lawyers in the Classroom - Volunteer
- Colorado Bar Association Insurance Committee - Member
- American Bar Association – Tort, Trial & Insurance Practice Section – Member