



Melissa Kerin Reagan

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Melissa is a trial attorney, helping clients navigate legal and business issues to proactively avoid disputes, and when necessary, to forcefully defend business decisions.

PRACTICES

Business Litigation
Stakeholder Disputes
Policyholder Insurance Coverage

INDUSTRIES

Technology

EDUCATION

University of Colorado Law School, J.D.,
2005

University of Colorado Law Review,
Associate Editor

Washington University in St. Louis,
B.S.B.A., 1999
magna cum laude

BAR ADMISSIONS

Colorado

COURT ADMISSIONS

U.S. District Court for the District of
Colorado

Melissa counsels telecommunications and wireless services providers through the complex federal, state, and local regulatory hurdles required to deploy new technologies, expand services, and maintain existing networks. Melissa delivers holistic services to help clients meet the escalated increase in demand resulting from telehealth, remote work, expansion to rural areas, 'last mile' service in urban locations, and heightened emergency services. Drawing on in-depth industry knowledge, she handles permitting, local land use and zoning conditions and local council representation, as well as litigation and appeals in state and federal courts.

Melissa also provides outside general counsel services to mid-market companies needing in-house legal support on matters ranging from operational policy and procedures, risk management, privacy and security issues, and resolving business disputes.

Clients appreciate Melissa's strong business acumen, honed through education and work in financial roles, and her pragmatic counsel on how to balance legal and business risks. Clients also value her ability to expeditiously and efficiently learn their operations and offer guidance on ways to manage potential disputes up front and avoid litigation.

Before joining Holland & Hart, Melissa was a member at Sherman & Howard where she served as Chair of Talent Acquisition, Inclusion, and Diversity for four years.

EXPERIENCE

- In-depth knowledge of the Federal Communications Act (FCA) and orders and proceedings of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC)
- Lead trial counsel to companies on general business and shareholder disputes including telecommunications and wireless companies
- Corporate governance and strategic planning counsel
- Corporate investigations evaluating suspected misconduct and reporting to executives and boards
- Internal corporate audits, including policy, risk management, and

legal

- Data privacy and data breach management
- Represent business entities, shareholders, members, and partners in breach of fiduciary duties and corporate governance violations.

RECOGNITION

- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Commercial Litigation, 2026
- Colorado Super Lawyers®, Securities Litigation, 2024-2026
- *Law Week Colorado*, Top Women, 2023

PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC AFFILIATIONS

- Colorado Bar Association, Member
- Denver Bar Association, Member
- Colorado Women's Bar Association, Member
- Colorado Sports Hall of Fame
 - Chair, 2023-present
 - Board Member, 2018-present
- Colorado General Corporate Group, Advisory Program
- ACE Scholarships, Associate Board of Directors, 2015-2017
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Colorado, Associate Board of Directors, Member, 2008-2010