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OVERVIEW

Jessica helps domestic and global insurers navigate complex, high-exposure insurance coverage disputes.

Jessica advises and represents insurers on a broad range of first- and third-party insurance coverage matters, including claims under product recall, product contamination, property, commercial general liability, directors and officers, employment practices, life, professional liability, cyber, marine cargo, representations and warranties, workers' compensation, and excess policies, as well as reinsurance contracts. She regularly works with the London market and is adept at addressing the intricacies involved in reaching her clients' objectives.

Jessica oversees litigation in federal and state courts throughout the nation involving contractual and extracontractual claims. She regularly represents companies and individuals in commercial litigation, including breach of contract and technology matters, and has obtained numerous favorable verdicts and outcomes on behalf of her clients.

In addition, Jessica also coordinates and implements loss mitigation strategies, including subrogation efforts, depending on her clients' objectives. Jessica is sensitive to clients' internal and external business relationships and operational goals that run parallel to legal objectives.

Jessica sits on the Board of Directors for the Insurance Industry Charitable Foundation, which helps communities through grants, volunteer service and leadership. She also sits on the Board of Directors for the Colorado Lawyers Association, a nonpartisan

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Experience

- Succeeded regarding writ of certiorari to Colorado Supreme Court seeking determination that insurance coverage may be excluded under absolute pollution exclusions for both nontraditional and traditional pollution events.
- Negotiated settlement with general contractor and developer entities on eight-figure insurance coverage matter involving underlying construction defect action, bad faith assignment of rights and garnishment action.
- Obtained ruling that attorney fees should not be covered under supplemental payments provision of commercial general liability policy.
- Obtained summary judgment for technology company on breach of contract and promissory estoppel claims regarding insurance-related allegations.
- Obtained successful jury trial verdicts on behalf of insureds in personal injury actions.
- Successfully resolved multimillion-dollar South American insurance coverage claim with criminal implications for insureds.
- Obtained dismissal for insurance carrier client against bad faith claims in life insurance matter involving slayer statute.
- Negotiated settlement for excess Workers' Compensation insurance carrier in high-dollar New Mexico insurance coverage matter involving alleged catastrophic injury.

Recognition

- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Commercial Litigation, 2024
- *Colorado Super Lawyers*, Rising Star, 2012-2017

Education

- J.D., University of Denver Sturm College of Law
 - *Transportation Law Journal*, editor
- M.A., University of Southern California
 - Communication Management
- B.A., University of California, Santa Barbara

Admissions

- Colorado
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court, District of Colorado
- U.S. District Court, District of Colorado
- Texas
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas

Community Leadership

- Colorado Defense Lawyers Association, Professionalism & Education Committee
- Colorado Lawyers Committee, Board of Directors
- Colorado Lawyers Committee, Children's Task Force; Education Task Force
- Insurance Industry Charitable Foundation, Colorado Chapter, Board of Directors



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