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EDUCATION

University of Colorado Law School,
J.D., 2010

University of Colorado at Colorado
Springs, B.A., 2006, Geography
and Environmental Studies

GOVERNMENT SERVICE

Colorado Supreme Court Office of
Attorney Regulation Counsel,
Senior Assistant Regulation
Counsel

ADMISSIONS

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BIOGRAPHY

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As Senior Assistant Regulation Counsel at OARC, he represented the People of the State of Colorado in attorney discipline, attorney admissions, client protection fund, and unauthorized practice of law matters. He litigated trials and appeals before the Presiding Disciplinary Judge and Colorado Supreme Court.

Alan has extensive experience presenting on a wide range of issues involving legal ethics.

He previously was a professional cyclist and a Resident Athlete at the U.S. Olympic Training Center.

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

Colorado

LEGAL MEMBERSHIPS, ACTIVITIES & HONORS

Colorado Bar Association

Member

Denver Bar Association

Member

American Bar Association

Member

ARTICLES & PRESENTATIONS

Articles

- Co-Author, "Out of Bounds: Boundary Issues in the Practice of Law," Colorado Lawyer (December 2014).
- Author, "ABA Conducts First 'School' on Policing Unauthorized Practice of Law," ABA/BNA Lawyers' Manual on Professional Conduct (September 2013).

Presentations

- Presenter, "Fee Agreements," Colorado Bar Association's Hanging Your Shingle CLE (August 15, 2024).

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- Presenter, "Cash App Transactions for Lawyers," National Forum on Client Protection (June 1, 2024).
- Presenter, "Rule 8.4(i) and Sexual Harassment," CBA CLE (October 20, 2023).
- Presenter, "Trends and Pitfalls in Attorney Regulation," CBA Federal Practice Update (July 21, 2023).
- Presenter, "Rule 8.4(i) and Sexual Harassment, CBA Best Practices (June 15, 2023).
- Presenter, "New Rules and Common Immigration Ethics Issues," American Immigration Lawyers Association (April 13, 2022).
- Presenter, "New Rules and Case Law Update," Southwest Colorado Bar Association Law in the Trenches CLE Seminar (November 9, 2021).
- Presenter, "Ethics in the Time of Covid-19," Southwest Colorado Bar Association CLE (November 12, 2020).
- Presenter, "Remote Regulation," International Conference of Legal Regulators (October 26, 2020).
- Presenter, "OARC Overview and Process," CBA CLE Ethics Program (December 13, 2019).
- Presenter, "Ethics and Social Media," CBA CLE Ethics Program (December 13, 2019).
- Presenter, "Ethics Issues in DUI Cases," CBA DUI Basics CLE (November 13, 2019).
- Presenter, "Lawyers and Professionalism," University of Denver Sturm College of Law Legal Profession Course (November 9, 2019).
- Presenter, "OARC Process and Current Developments," CBA Presidential Visits in Fort Morgan, Cortez, and Durango, Colorado (October 2019).

PERSONAL INTERESTS

- Muay Thai and boxing, photography, and spending time with his German Shepherd rescue dog