

**JOSHUA T. NOWAK**

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**EDUCATION:**

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**University of Denver Sturm College of Law, Denver, CO**

*Juris Doctor; Certificate in Constitutional Rights & Remedies*

*Aug. 2013-June 2016*

- Teaching Assistant: Professor Debra Austin, Lawyering Process I & II
- Academic Achievement Program Leader: Professor Ian Farrell, Constitutional Law
- Directed Research Project: American Association of Matrimonial Lawyers Judicial Toolbox, Professor Kyle Velte – Helped to research and organize a judicial toolbox for Judges hearing novel legal issues involving same-sex relationships with a focus on full faith & credit clause issues between recognition and non-recognition states
- Student Bar Association: 1L Senator; Vice-President of Day Division; 3L Senator
- Awards: Outstanding 1L Day Student 2014; Outstanding Student Leader 2016
- Tribal Wills Project: Professor Lucy Marsh – Drafted and executed Wills, MPOAs and Burial Instructions for low-income American Indians
  - Ra'mah Chapter of Navajo Nation: Summer 2014; Winter 2015; Winter 2016
  - Southern Ute & Ute Mountain Ute: Spring Break 2014; Spring Break 2015
- Trial Competitions: Student Trial Lawyers Fall Competition (Participant & Coach); Hoffman Cup Trial Competition; CU/DU Trial Competition
- DU OUTlaws: Member; Social Chair
- Transportation Law Journal: Executive Articles Editor; Recruitment Editor
- Moot Court Board: Member; Competition Organizer

**University of Northern Colorado, Greeley, CO**

*Bachelors of Arts; Major: Political Science, Psychology*

*Sept. 2010-May 2013*

- Research Assistant: Professors Kristina T. Phillips & Michael Phillips
  - Health Risks Associated with Methamphetamine Use; Marijuana and Motivation:
    - *Ecological Momentary Assessment with College-Age Marijuana Users: Feasibility of SMS Texting*, presented at the American Psychological Association, Orlando, FL, July of 2013
- Teaching Assistant: Professor Kristina T. Phillips, Abnormal Psychology
- Student GLBT Organization: President, Special Event Director
  - Founded and organized an annual Drag show event that raises money for non-profits in Colorado
- Fraternities and Honor Societies: Delta Sigma Phi National Fraternity: Vice President, Academics Chair; Phi Sigma Pi National Honor Fraternity: Member; Inter-fraternity Council of UNC: Vice President; National Society of Collegiate Scholars: Member

**JOB HISTORY:**

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**McDermott, Stuart, and Ward LLP, Denver, CO**

*Associate Attorney*

*May 2021-present*

- Zealously advocate for clients charged with various criminal charges in Municipal and State Court
- Thoroughly conduct research and writing assignments for senior attorneys representing clients in Federal Criminal Court
- Assist other attorneys in the office with projects and litigation related to plaintiff's civil litigation

**Colorado Public Defender's Office, Greeley, Boulder, Denver, & Brighton, CO**

*Deputy State Public Defender: Brighton, CO*

*Aug. 2016-April 2021*

*Certified Legal Intern Supervisor*

*May 2020-April 2021*

- Managed a large caseload of indigent clients facing prosecution for misdemeanor and felony charges
- Advocated for clients at all stages of criminal proceedings
- Proactively and professionally engaged in negotiations with attorneys from the Office of the District Attorney
- Recognition:
  - Adams/Broomfield Bar Association Young Attorney of the Year 2018;
  - Brighton Public Defender's Office County Court Attorney of the Year 2017

*Certified Legal Intern: Boulder & Denver, CO*

*May 2015-Dec. 2016*

- Managed a caseload of clients facing misdemeanor charges
- Conduct a variety of tasks including: initial client advisements, litigating pre-trial motions, first-chairing trials, arguing sentencing, and appeals
- First-chaired 2 trials and one testimonial motions hearing

*Uncertified Legal Intern: Denver, CO*

*May 2014-May 2015*

- Worked on a homicide case where I drafted memorandums on pertinent issues involving: search and seizure, speech and conduct in the courtroom and surreptitious D.N.A. collection
- Made electronic trial notebooks and spent numerous hours with clients reviewing discovery
- Interviewed incarcerated clients before arraignments, first advisements, and second advisements in order to assist attorneys with bond arguments

*Investigative Intern: Greeley, CO*

*Dec. 2012-June 2013*

- Assisted with attorney investigation requests including interviewing and subpoenaing witnesses
- Reviewed discovery with clients and assisted attorneys with trial

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**University of Denver – Sturm College of Law, Denver, CO**

*Reference Librarian Assistant*

*June 2016-Aug. 2016*

- Assisted library patrons with research questions on legal issues
- Worked with University of Denver Law Professors in obtaining reference materials

*Circulation Assistant*

*June 2016-Aug. 2016*

- Assisted patrons in locating library materials
- Performed organizational tasks in requesting reference materials through inter-library loan systems

**Law Office of Lyndsey Richard, LLC, Denver, CO**

*Legal Intern*

*Jan. 2016-April 2016*

- Drafted estate planning documents including Wills, Trusts, Financial and Medical Power of Attorney, and Disposition for Last Remains
- Researched and drafted memorandums on issues such as irrevocable trusts and strict privity

**Colorado Court of Appeals, Denver, CO**

*Legal Intern; Honorable Judge Nancy Lichtenstein*

*Jan. 2016-May 2016*

- Worked with an appellate judge in legal research and writing for cases before the Colorado Court of Appeals
- Observed and helped assist in preparation for oral arguments
- Served as Bailiff during oral arguments

**Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, Denver, CO**

*Legal Intern*

*Aug. 2014-Dec. 2014*

- Worked closely with trial attorneys and administrative law judges on legal issues involving employment discrimination
- Contacted class members in cases and assisted with investigation requests

**Golden Peaks Nursing and Rehab, Fort Collins, CO**

*Certified Nursing Assistant*

*Feb. 2010-Feb. 2015*

- Assisted elderly persons suffering from Alzheimer's in daily living activities including feeding, bathing and engaging in meaningful activities
- Complied with HIPPA standards and ensured that residents are treated with respect
- Recognition: Employee of the Month, July 2011; Nominated: Employee of the Year, 2011

**PRESENTATIONS:**

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**Adams Broomfield Bar Association**

*Effective Lawyering Over WebEx*

*May 2020*

**Colorado Public Defender's Office, Brighton Regional Office**

*Stages of a Criminal Case*

*June 2020*

**American Psychological Association**

Poster, *Ecological Momentary Assessment with College-Age Marijuana Users: Feasibility of SMS Texting*

*July 2013*

**AFFILIATIONS:**

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**Adams Broomfield Bar Association**

Board Member, Vice President

*June 2022-present*

Mock Trial Coordinator

*June 2019-present*

**Colorado Criminal Defense Bar**

Board Member

*May 2022-present*

**Colorado LGBT Bar Association**

Board Member, Annual Dinner Chair

*January 2022-present*

**Sex Offender Management Board**

Board Member, Private Criminal Defense Bar Representative

*August 2021-present*

**William E. Doyle Inn of Court**

Member, Barrister

*August 2021-present*