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Justin is a Colorado native who graduated from J.K. Mullen High School and went on to attend The University of Colorado at Boulder. After graduating from CU he moved to the San Francisco Bay Area and attended law school at the University of San Francisco.

Thereafter, he spent a year with the United States Depart of Justice in the Antitrust Division. During his time with the Department of Justice, Justin worked on complex nationwide cases which were prosecuted in Federal Court. While working with the Department of Justice, Justin's desire to be in the courtroom increased and he was hired by a prominent insurance defense firm in San Francisco. During that time, he successfully defended numerous cases through the discovery

phase and trial, and also appeared before the California Court of Appeals.

In 2009 Justin felt that it was time to return to Colorado and after doing so, he joined a highly regarded insurance firm in the Denver area. In March of 2016 he joined Tucker Holmes, P.C. Today, Justin's practice focuses on representing insurance companies in first-party bad faith cases, insurance coverage issues, and appeals. Justin leads a team of talented attorneys and paralegals, who focus their practices in the defense of insurers on both contractual and extra-contractual claims. Throughout his successful career, Justin has developed a calm demeanor that often diffuses the hostile litigation environment that can so often exist in litigating these claims. This has resulted in better and more cost-effective outcomes for our clients. Justin has served as first-chair trial counsel, successfully trying cases to juries and in arbitration. Justin's pragmatic, calm and organized approach is one that has universally been appreciated by his juries. Justin is also an experienced appellate attorney, both as to the briefing and the arguments before the appellate courts.

Legal Experience

Tucker Holmes, P.C.

2016 - Present Senior Attorney

The Ross-Shannon Law Firm. P.C.

2009 - 2016

Associate

McClellan & Corren, L.C.

2005 - 2009

Associate

McClellan & Corren, L.C.

2004 - 2005

Jr. Attorney

Education

2004 Legal

University of San Francisco School of Law

2000 Undergraduate

Licenses and Associations

Licensed In:

State of Colorado State of California

US District Court, District of Colorado

Professional Associations:

Denver Bar Association

Colorado Defense Lawyers Association

Published Decisions:

Reid v. Berkowitz, 315 P.3d 185 (Colo.App. 2013)

Reid v. Berkowitz II, 370 P.3d 644 (Colo.App. 2016)

Hall v. Allstate Fire and Casualty Insurance Company, 20 F.4th 1319 (10th Cir. 2021)

Successful Summary Judgment Motions on All Claims:

Bendinelli v. Metropolitan Property and Casualty Insurance Company, 2015CV709, including an award of attorney's fees of \$46,707.50.

Bendinelli v. Metropolitan Property and Casualty Insurance Company, 1:17-cv-00978-KHR

Hall v. Allstate Fire and Casualty Insurance Company, 1:19-cv-02306-DDD-NYW

Successful Motions to Dismiss:

Ann Lopez v. Amanda Matthews, 1:19-cv-00684-MEH

Bendinelli v. Metropolitan Property and Casualty Insurance Company, 2017CV31100, including an award of attorney's fees of \$6,425.50.