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PROFILE

Experienced attorney and lifelong Alaskan. Substantial civil, criminal, administrative, and regulatory legal experience in matters unique to Alaskans and Alaskan businesses. Currently managing regulatory and legal affairs of the Alaska Oil & Gas Association (AOGA). AOGA is the professional trade association for Alaska's oil and gas industry, whose membership includes the largest oil and gas producers, explorers, and refiners in the state. Substantial and ongoing experience with environmental, regulatory, and legal affairs for industry operations. Directing industry-wide projects ranging from improving Polar Bear den detection capabilities and human-bear interactions to modernization of operating procedures for small-remote incinerators to ensure compliance with the Clean Air Act. Manage multiple contractors for large scale environmental projects. Duties with AOGA also include advising AOGA's Environmental, Regulatory, and Legal Affairs committees and its Board of Directors.

Formerly Of Counsel at Guess & Rudd P.C., with a law practice focusing on commercial litigation. Significant trial, deposition, and civil-settlement experience in both state and federal court.

EXPERIENCE

ALASKA OIL & GAS ASSOCIATION, Anchorage, Alaska

Regulatory and Legal Affairs Manager, March 2019 to present

- Advise AOGA's Board of Directors on environmental, legal, and regulatory matters.
- Manage various committees within the association, including the Environmental Regulatory Committee and the Legal Steering Committee.
- Draft and submit comments for industry on proposed regulations.
- Work with industry operations to develop procedures for, and compliance with, the Clean Air Act, the Endangered Species Act, the Clean Water Act, and the Marine Mammal Protection Act.
- Manage and advise outside counsel on litigation matters.
- Manage industry-wide Polar Bear permitting and den detection research projects for continued operations in the Arctic and in designated critical habitat for Endangered Species Act and Marine Mammal Protection Act compliance.
- Negotiate, hire, and manage multiple contractors nationwide.

GUESS & RUDD P.C., Anchorage, Alaska

Of Counsel, March 2017 to March 2019

- Litigation intensive practice for Alaskan clients focusing on insurance defense, employment law, administrative law, and fish and game criminal defense.
- Types of cases included:
 - Defense of Anchorage School District in personal injury case arising from injuries sustained by student-athlete.
 - Defense of employer hospital against wrongful termination and allegations of hostile work environment.
 - Defense of aircraft engine manufacturer in wrongful death litigation resulting from airplane crash.
 - Defense of commercial fisherman indicted for multiple felonies arising from a maritime

- accident.
- Defense of public official's son after indictment for multiple felonies.
- Defense of Native Corporation in an employment action in rural Alaska.
- Defense of lending institution in an action arising from alleged wrongful foreclosure.
- Litigation experience in a variety of rural courts across Alaska.

LAW OFFICE OF BRENT R. COLE, P.C., Anchorage, Alaska
Associate Attorney, September 2013 to March 2017

- Litigation practice focusing on business law, aviation law, administrative law, and fish and game defense.
- Types of cases included:
 - Defense of a celebrity big game guide and reality television star charged with misdemeanors.
 - Defense of airman and airman mechanic in licensing action before the NTSB after a fatal commercial airplane crash.
 - Defense of commercial fisherman charged with criminal fishing violations and misdemeanors.
 - Defense of a multimillion-dollar mining corporation in an employment action in Federal Court pursuant to subject matter jurisdiction.
 - Defense of multi-national Finnish corporations in contract dispute in diversity jurisdiction action in Federal Court.
- Litigation experience in a variety of rural courts across Alaska.

ANCHORAGE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, Anchorage, Alaska
Assistant District Attorney, July 2010 to September 2013

- Significant trial experience, including more than 20 Superior Court jury trials to verdict.
- Worked primarily in the felony narcotics and property crimes units.
- Worked closely with senior APD officers and state troopers to conduct investigation and prosecutions of criminals in Alaska's Third Judicial District.
- Presented and secured indictments before the Grand Jury in hundreds of cases over a three-year period.
- Managed caseloads in rural communities such as St. Paul, Alaska and Whittier, Alaska.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Intern to U.S. Senator Frank Murkowski, Washington D.C.; Summer, 2000.
- Graduated from Robert Service High School in Anchorage, Alaska.

BAR MEMBERSHIPS

- Admitted to California State Bar, December 2009.
- Admitted to Alaska State Bar, May 2010.
- Federal: District of Alaska and Southern District of California.

EDUCATION

Juris Doctor, Thomas Jefferson School of Law, San Diego, California (2009)

- Honors: Dean's List, Jeffersonian Scholarship Recipient
- Clubs: Mock Trial Competition Team

Bachelor of Science, Southern Oregon University, Ashland, Oregon (2005)

- Honors: *Cum Laude*; Dean's List

University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon (2000-2001)

- Played football for the University of Oregon (Ducks) from 2000-2001.

LANGUAGES, INTERESTS, AND SKILLS

- Conversational fluency in Spanish.
- Lifelong Alaskan interested in fishing, hunting, and flying.