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Main Bio

Jason Brinkley is a seasoned attorney with deep-rooted ties to Colorado's land and legal heritage. His extensive experience is an asset to his transactional practice, where he assists clients in real estate, energy, and mining sectors.

As a fourth-generation Coloradan, Jason possesses a unique understanding of the intricate business and legal landscapes his clients traverse daily. He places a strong emphasis on maintaining an ongoing dialogue with the businesses he advises, enabling him to gain profound insights into their industries, goals, and challenges in Colorado and throughout the west. This approach allows him to deliver tailored solutions that align with their objectives and visions moving forward.

Jason's career trajectory began with a strong focus on real estate, a foundation that continues to define his practice today including single family home builders, multi-family, industrial, and senior living facilities. In addition to real estate, he provides guidance to clients in diverse sectors, including oil and gas large-scale infrastructure projects, renewable energy, mining, airlines, and ski resorts. Currently, Jason serves as the chair of the firm's Natural Resources Group, further solidifying his experience in this field.

Representative Experience

- Represents public and private homebuilders in the acquisition and development of master-planned communities and residential subdivisions in Colorado
- Represents and advises clients on the acquisition of terminal sites, easement tracts, pump station sites, and valve sites, as well as obtaining necessary permits from state and local governments throughout the Rocky Mountain region relating to intrastate and interstate natural gas liquids and crude oil pipelines
- Represents and advises clients on the acquisition, disposition and financing of multi-family, commercial and agricultural properties
- Represents public and private homebuilders in various merger and asset acquisition transactions
- Represents public mining client in complex joint venture to develop and operate international mine

Education

- University of Kansas School of Law (J.D.)
- University of Northern Colorado (B.A., Political Science)

Professional Memberships & Activities

- Colorado Homebuilders Association
- Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation
- Colorado Petroleum Association

Representative Presentations & Publications

- "[Colorado Oil and Gas Cases to Watch in 2023](#)," Quoted, Law360 (June 8, 2023)
- "A Look at Environmental Justice," Co-Presenter, Snell & Wilmer Environmental Law Roundtable (April 15, 2021)
- "[Opportunity zones: A 'once-in-a-generation' chance for both investors and Colorado cities](#)," Quoted, Denver Business Journal (January 17, 2019)
- "[The massive GOP tax bill created a powerful incentive to invest in distressed communities - including one in Boulder](#)," Quoted, The Colorado Sun (October 9, 2018)
- "[Opportunity Zones: Seizing the Investment Opportunity in Colorado](#)," Co-Author, ColoradoBiz (September 17, 2018)
- "[Mixology 101: Blending Trade Secret Protections and Fracking Chemical Reporting](#)," Co-Author, ABA Natural Resources and Environment, Vol. 29, No. 4 (Spring 2015)
- "[Reviewing 2013 CRE Legal Issues](#)," Co-Author, Colorado Real Estate Journal (January 1-14, 2014)

Professional Recognition & Awards

- Snell & Wilmer COACH Award (2023)
- Colorado Super Lawyers[®], Rising Stars Edition, Real Estate (2017-2021)
- Denver Business Journal, 40 Under 40 (2019)
- Denver Business Journal, Who's Who in Energy (2018)

Community Involvement

- American Red Cross Colorado & Wyoming - Mile High Chapter
 - Executive Committee Member (2019-Present)
 - Development and Events Committee, Chair (2019-Present)
 - Board Member (2018-Present)
- Great Outdoors Colorado
 - Executive Committee Member (2018-2021)
 - Chairman (2016-2018)
 - Board Member (2013-2021)
- Denver Metro Economic Development Corporation
 - Executive Committee Member (2019-Present)
- Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce

- Public Affairs Committee (2012-Present)
- Leadership Denver (Class of 2017-2018)
- Civic DNA Leadership Program (Class of 2019)

Previous Professional Experience

- Baird Holm, Associate (2010-2012)
 - Summer Associate (2009)
- Colorado Department of Natural Resources, Interim Assistant Director for Water Policy (2007)
- Governor's Office of Policy and Initiatives, Policy Advisor (2006-2007)
- Governor's Office of State Planning and Budgeting, Budget Analyst (2005-2007)

Bar Admissions

- Colorado
- Kansas (inactive)

Court Admissions

- Supreme Court of Colorado
- United States District Court, District of Colorado

Client News

- Snell & Wilmer Advises on \$11 Billion Financing of Largest Clean Energy Infrastructure Project in U.S. History