



## Rodney "Roddy" W. Stieger

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## Rodney "Roddy" W. Stieger is a Member in the Construction, Energy, and Government groups, focusing on contractual issues and commercial litigation. He practices out of the Firm's office in Denver, Colorado.

Roddy is a consummate business law attorney who routinely works with commercial and government contractor clients across several different industries, including construction, energy, software, IT, aerospace and defense. He frequently helps businesses draft and negotiate a wide range of contractual agreements and advises clients about their business, regulatory, and liability risks.

Roddy has a great deal of commercial litigation experience, including class actions, and frequently assists construction, real estate, and energy clients navigate the litigation process while trying to achieve the best possible business outcome. He also assists government contractors with protests, claims, and appeals before the Government Accountability Office and various government boards of contract appeals. Whether his clients are small business owners or Fortune 500 companies, Roddy cuts through the legal red tape that business owners often confront.

Many would describe Roddy as the ultimate team player. He is someone who works well in any group but is not afraid to step in and lead when the situation calls for it. They're skills he honed as captain of the varsity baseball team at Marshall University in Huntington, West Virginia.

While Roddy knows the law, he knows that his clients are the experts in their businesses. That's why he works collaboratively with his clients to put together a legal strategy that works best for them. Roddy also understands that listening is one of the best skills a lawyer can possess. He knows he is only an effective advocate if he fully understands his clients' businesses, needs, and concerns. Roddy is not satisfied until he develops and implements a strategy that results in the best overall business and legal outcome for his clients.

Roddy now calls Colorado home but is an Ohio native—so don't try to convince him that there is anything wrong with Cincinnati's Skyline Chili. When he is outside of the office he loves to explore all the Denver area has to offer with his wife and son. He also spends his time giving back to the community, volunteering at the Denver nonprofits Flyers for Kids and Metro Caring.

## Awards

- West Virginia Super Lawyers® – Energy & Natural Resources Law, "Rising Stars" (2014–2017)

## Notable Legal Experience

### Commercial

- Drafted and negotiated numerous master service and consulting agreements for a leading internet and technology security consulting services provider

- Advised corporation through sale of Class A and B common stock shares
- Drafted and negotiated commercial construction master service and other supporting agreements
- Advised an agricultural and environmental remediation company through the roll-out of its unmanned aircraft systems program (also known as UAS, UAV or "drones")
- Provided outside general counsel services to commercial construction company
- Assisted residential construction company with project finance
- Advised real estate investor through the consolidation of more than \$5 million in outstanding promissory notes and other secured and unsecured obligations

## **Litigation**

### **Government Contracts and Procurements**

- Advised and represented leading globalization services company in Appeal before the United States Board of Contract Appeals
- Advised leading globalization services company through protest of municipal contract procurement
- Advised and represented industrial coating and repair contractor in request for equitable adjustment of federal procurement in excess of \$1 million
- Advised and represented IT solutions provider in bid protest of multi-million dollar federal procurement contract

### **Energy**

- Obtained summary judgment on behalf of Fortune 500 oil and gas producer in class action royalty litigation
- Obtained summary judgment on behalf of Fortune 500 oil and gas producer in a lease termination and breach of contract claim and defended the decision before the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
- Obtained favorable decision on behalf of Fortune 500 oil and gas producer in AAA arbitration involving claims of private nuisance, negligence, fraud, and breach of contract
- Represented Fortune 500 oil and gas producer in jury trial involving property damage claims brought by fourteen individual plaintiffs
- Appealed adverse jury verdict to state Supreme Court on behalf of Fortune 500 oil and gas producer in jury trial involving property damage claims brought by fourteen individual plaintiffs
- Represented natural gas distribution company in breach of contract claim relating to lost and unaccounted for gas volumes and alleged meter error
- Represented and resolved consulting company in litigation arising from a catastrophic injury at a natural gas well pad

### **Construction**

- Represented residential home-builder in mechanic's lien and construction defect litigation
- Represented Fortune 500 home-builder in toxic tort litigation brought by over 100 plaintiffs seeking personal injury and medical monitoring

### **Healthcare**

- Obtained defense verdict in jury trial on behalf of healthcare provider in medical professional liability action involving allegations of wrongful death
- Represented healthcare provider at jury trial in medical professional liability action involving wrong-side surgery
- Represented healthcare facility against allegations of negligent credentialing and products liability relating to use of 510(k) approved medical device
- Represented healthcare company in breach of contract arbitration arising from acquisition and asset purchase agreement

## Work History

- Jackson Kelly PLLC (2009–Present)
- Dyer, Garofalo, Mann & Schultz, Summer Associate (2008)
- Offutt & Nord, Summer Associate (2007)

## Practices

- Business Law
- Class Action & Complex Litigation
- Commercial Litigation
- Government Contracts
- Intellectual Property & Licensing

## Industries

- Construction
- Energy

## Education

- University of Dayton School of Law (J.D., 2009)
  - Recipient, CALI Award for Legal Professionalism
  - Recipient, CALI Award for Appellate Practice & Procedure
  - Finalist and Best Brief Award, Walter H. Rice Moot Court Competition
  - CoJustice, University of Dayton School of Law Moot Court Board
  - Recipient, Faruki, Ireland & Cox Scholarship
  - Recipient, Zimmerman Scholarship
- Marshall University (B.B.A., 2006)
  - Marshall University Baseball Leadership Award (2006)
  - Marshall Varsity Baseball Team (2005–2006)

## Admissions

- Colorado (2017)
- West Virginia (2009)
- U.S. District Court, District of Colorado (2017)
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of West Virginia (2012)
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of West Virginia (2009)
- Colorado Supreme Court (2017)
- West Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals (2009)

## Professional Organizations

- West Virginia Bar Association, Young Lawyers Division, President (2012–2013)
- Metro Denver Colorado Renewable Energy Society, Steering Committee (2017-present)
- Cleantech Community Colorado, Steering Committee (2017-present)

## Speaking Engagements & Publications

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- Co-Presenter with **John Hays**, Esq., **Eric Whytsell**, Esq., Broadmoor – Industrial Coating Government Contractors: "Government Contract Construction Claims" (Oct. 2017)

- Alliance Center - Colorado Renewable Energy Society: "C'est law vie: The Paris Accord & The CPP – Where Are We Now and Where Are We Going?" (Aug. 2017)
- West Virginia University College of Law – Shale Gas Law: "Legal Issues Associated with the Use of Drones in the Oil and Gas Industry" (Nov. 2016)
- Jackson Kelly Webinar: "Litigation in the Marcellus and Utica Shale Deposits West Virginia Update" (2014)
- Jackson Kelly Webinar: "Litigation in the Marcellus and Utica Shale Deposits West Virginia" (2013)
- West Virginia University College of Law – Shale Gas Law: "Update on Litigation in Shale Play" (2013)
- 2013 Spring Conference of West Virginia Association of Medical Staff Services Professionals: "Behaviors that Undermine a Safety Culture f/k/a Disruptive Behavior" (2013)

### Writings and Publications

- Contributor, "Legal Developments in 2016 Affecting the Oil and Gas Exploration and Production Industry," *Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation Journal*
- Contributor, "Legal Developments in 2015 Affecting the Oil and Gas Exploration and Production Industry," *Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation Journal*
- Contributor, "Legal Developments in 2014 Affecting the Oil and Gas Exploration and Production Industry," *Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation Journal*
- Author, "Update on Litigation in Shale Play," Shale Gas Law 2013, West Virginia University College of Law (2013)
- Co-author with **Al F. Sebok**, "Municipal Oil & Gas Regulation in the Marcellus Age," Energy & Mineral Law Foundation's Kentucky Mineral Law Conference (2011)
- Co-author with **Thomas J. Hurney, Jr.**, Phillip L. Willman and Angela E. Pozzo, "Defending Negligent Credentialing Cases," *For the Defense* (2010)

### Community

- Flyers for Kids Charity Denver, Board Member (2017-present)
- Metro Caring, Denver