

JAMES R. SILVESTRO

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Biography

James R. Silvestro is an associate attorney at Ireland Stapleton with a diverse litigation practice that includes all stages of product liability, business, land use and real estate litigation. Mr. Silvestro also advises many of the firm's clients on the intersection of local state and federal environmental law with land use, zoning and other developmental issues.

Prior to joining Ireland Stapleton, Mr. Silvestro served as an Honors Attorney for the U.S. Department of Energy in Washington, D.C. In his first year after law school, Mr. Silvestro served as a law clerk to the Honorable Chief Justice Michael Bender of the Colorado Supreme Court.

Mr. Silvestro earned his J.D. from the University of Colorado Law School, where he graduated first in his class and served as the Managing Editor for the University of Colorado Law Review.

Presentations & Publications

- Managing Editor, University of Colorado Law Review, 2010-2011

Memberships

- Colorado Bar Association
- Denver Bar Association

Media

- ["In rare case, Colorado judge says permit must be reheard because of contributions to county commissioner's campaign,"](#) August 22, 2019
- ["Johnstown Residents Prevail Against Open Pit Gravel Mine,"](#) August 15, 2019
- Quoted in *Law Week Colorado*, "10th Circuit Revises Urban Renewal Decision," August 12, 2018

Personal Interests

- Backpacking, running, snowboarding, reading, travel, golf and live music.



Practice Areas

Environmental
Litigation

Education

University of Colorado
J.D., 2011, Order of the Coif

Colby College
B.A., 2008, summa cum laude, Phi
Beta Kappa

Honors & Awards

Selected for *Colorado Super Lawyers*
for land use and zoning 2017-2019



Quarterfinalist, National
Environmental Moot Court
Competition

Recipient, University of Colorado
Public Service Pledge Award

Admissions

Admitted to practice in Colorado