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Eric R. Benson is a business law attorney and shareholder with Ireland Stapleton. His practice focuses on advising businesses on legal matters throughout the life cycle of the business. Established businesses, start-ups, and entrepreneurs come to Eric for legal advice on matters involving business formation, employment, compensation and incentive plan issues, mergers and acquisitions, leases, contracts, and general corporate matters. Eric also advises nonprofit organizations regarding formation, qualification for tax-exempt status, mergers and acquisitions, and general matters related to their operations. Other elements of his practice include the preparation of legal opinions, estate planning, real estate leasing, healthcare, tax, and ERISA law matters. He also has experience preparing and maintaining benefit and compensation plans.

Prior to moving to Denver and joining Ireland Stapleton, Eric worked at Partners Healthcare in Boston, where he implemented a project using technological innovations and patient entered data to improve the quality and efficiency of healthcare delivery. He also worked as an associate attorney in the executive compensation and employee benefits plan group of a Boston-based global law firm after graduating from law school in 2007. Further, Eric has experience as a policy consultant for the nonprofit organization Health Care For All, where he worked to assist and guide the implementation of the Massachusetts health insurance reforms that became the model for the federal Affordable Care Act.

Presentations & Publications

- “PACE: Leveraging Real Property to Fund Energy Improvements” in Colorado Bar Association Real Estate Law Newsletter, Spring 2015
- “States Lead the Way on Health Insurance Reform: A Comparison of Massachusetts and California Reform” in Journal of Law Medicine and Ethics, Spring, 2007
- “Overcoming Hurdles to Health Insurance Reform: Lessons of Massachusetts Health Insurance Reforms for Future Reformers,” in Context, 2007

Memberships

- American Bar Association
- Colorado Bar Association
- Massachusetts Bar Association

Community Involvement

- Dartmouth Association of the Rocky Mountains, Vice President, Director, and Philanthropy Chairperson
- Dartmouth Entrepreneurial Network, advisory board member

Practice Areas

Business
Corporate & Securities
Entity Formation & Governance
Mergers & Acquisitions
Estate Planning
Government Relations & Regulatory Affairs

Bar Admissions

Colorado
Massachusetts

Education

J.D., Harvard Law School, 2007
B.A., Dartmouth College, 2004,
cum laude

Honors & Awards

Recipient of Edson Prize for
Excellence in Political Ideas at
Dartmouth College



