

# DOUGLAS M. TISDALE, ESQ.

## Attorney, Advocate and Public Servant

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**SYNOPSIS:** Globally-recognized attorney, facilitator, problem-solver and champion of business and causes, leading and counseling nonprofit, for-profit and government organizations.

Successful leader in civic, charitable, cultural, educational, governmental, healthcare, transportation and corporate environments. Builds positive relationships and development opportunities in Africa, Asia, Australia, China, Europe, North and South America. Outstanding corporate spokesperson, advocate and advisor. Excellent media relations, conflict resolution, reputation management, writing and oral communication skills.

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### EXPERIENCE

**President and CEO, Tisdale & Associates LLC (Denver)** February 2002 – Present

- Direct all client services, including corporate counseling, contractual negotiations, litigations and dispute resolutions for clients in California, Colorado, China, France, Mexico and the United Kingdom
- Create successful outcomes for clients in commercial transactions, especially commercial real estate
- Build effective relationships with all stakeholders: clients, adversaries, courts, legislators, government officials, decision makers and investors
- Create and implement business and strategic plans/policy statements for private and public entities
- Negotiate and manage contractual matters for nonprofit and for-profit organizations and NGOs
- Provide C-Level services and legal advice to commercial entities, nonprofits and NGOs

**Executive Vice President for Economic Development, South Metro Denver Chamber (Centennial)**  
December 2014 – February 2020

- Created and implemented international initiative for expansion of global commerce and unique collaboration with Colorado Consular Corps
- Present annual Economic Forecast and Real Estate Impact meetings and monthly investor meetings
- Promote and celebrate businesses in the South Metro Denver region
- Contribute regular business columns to The Villager newspaper
- Spokesperson for numerous public policy initiatives

**Partner, Baker & Hostetler LLP (Denver and Los Angeles)** February 1997 – February 2002

- Represented National Accountability Bureau of the Government of Pakistan, successfully retrieving misappropriated government assets from corrupt government officials and procuring their extradition
- Continued representation of Trammel Crow Company in California, Cyprus Amax Minerals Company and numerous banks and other money-center financial institutions in their commercial transaction dispute resolution and litigation needs

**Managing Partner, Popham Haik Schnobrich & Kaufman LLP (Denver, Miami, Minneapolis, Washington DC, Newport Beach, Leipzig, Stuttgart and Beijing)** August 1992 – February 1997

- Continued representation of Gillett Holdings, Inc. in its \$1.2 billion reorganization with Apollo Advisors, Leon Black, Carl Icahn and others
- Represented Trammell Crow Company in its development of Park Place, a \$1 billion multi-use property in Irvine / Newport Beach, including commercial leasing and litigations

- Represented Cyprus Amax Minerals Company's multi-million-dollar mining, environmental and securities interests in Australia, New Zealand, Idaho and Colorado
- Successfully reorganized the NGO responsible for distributing all United States Agency for International Development microenterprise loans in Africa
- Advised the German Unity Commission concerning private property reparations
- Advised the Government of Pakistan concerning design, development and legal issues associated with land use and planning issues for Islamabad New City

**Partner, Brownstein Hyatt Farber & Schreck (Denver and Los Angeles) August 1976 – August 1992**

- Achieved positive outcomes for hundreds of clients in commercial transactions, civil litigations, land use/planning, banking, finance, real estate, and restructuring matters, representing Gillett Holdings, Trammell Crow Company, Columbia Savings, major banks, real estate developers, insurance companies, hospitals and management companies

**Partner, Warner Properties, Inc. (Vail, CO) May 1985 – February 2000**

- Developed five large multi-use developments (single and multi-family residential, commercial, retail and hotel) in the Vail Valley, including The Osprey at Beaver Creek (f/k/a The Inn at Beaver Creek), voted #1 Resort in the United States and #6 Best Resort in the world by Travel+Leisure Magazine, and The Homestead, a planned unit development near Edwards, CO

**NONPROFIT AND GOVERNMENT LEADERSHIP HIGHLIGHTS**

**Chairman of the Board and District H Director, Regional Transportation District.** Elected Director of RTD District H (Cherry Hills Village, Greenwood Village, Centennial, Littleton, Columbine Valley and Highlands Ranch) with more votes than any RTD Director has ever received; elected as Board Chair in 2018 and 2019, leading through communication, collaboration and cooperation (2017—)

**Member, Executive Committee and Board of Directors, American Public Transportation Association.** Leadership positions with the nation's association of transit agencies. Chair of Transit Board Members Legislative Subcommittee (2019—)

**Chairman of the Board, Denver Union Station Project Authority.** RTD representative on board administering financings for Denver Union Station (2018—)

**Member, Board of Governors, Denver Zoological Foundation.** Member of Audit and Finance Committee and SCFD Re-Authorization Committee (2014—2020)

**Director, Lone Tree Cultural Arts Foundation.** Member of the Board of the largest cultural arts foundation in the South Metro Denver region (2016—)

**Mayor, City of Cherry Hills Village, Colorado.** Elected in April 2012 as Mayor of the #1 Best Suburb of America to Live In (Wall Street Journal, September 2012); elected twice previously as city councilmember (2000-2008) and Mayor Pro Tem; outspoken effective regionalism advocate (2012–2015)

**Chairman of the Board, Colorado State Board of Registered Psychotherapists, DORA.** Appointed twice by Gov. John Hickenlooper to Board that registers, reviews and disciplines psychotherapists in Colorado; trainer for Chairs and Vice-Chairs of all regulatory boards at DORA (2011—2019)

**Board Officer and Administrative Committee Member, Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG) – Denver.** Responsible for regional planning and funding for 56 county and municipal governments in the Denver metropolitan area; principal draftsman and advocate of policy initiatives and strategic plan (2000—2008, 2012—2015)

**Board and Executive Committee Member, Metro Mayors Caucus – Denver.** Responsible for direction, planning and policy-making on a collaborative consensus-driven basis for 40 mayors in the Denver metro area (2012—2015)

**Chair, Policy Committee of the Colorado Municipal League.** Responsible for drafting and setting public and legislative policy for all municipalities in the State of Colorado, including drafting and stewardship of proposed legislation (2000-2008, 2012—2015)

**Chairman of the Board, Colorado Neurological Institute.** Headed largest neurological institute between Chicago and San Francisco; cooperated in design and oversaw major fundraising and donor relation activities; established CO-DOC Stroke Telemedicine Network and negotiated and managed operating agreements with 12 hospitals in Colorado; negotiated numerous cooperative relationships with grant and funding sources; chaired strategic planning committee (2004—2010)

**Chairman of the Board, Eagle Health Care Center – Eagle, CO.** Created and led first successful joint venture between a nonprofit hospital and a for-profit hospital to build a new medical facility in a common market, negotiating contracts for development and management (1999—2006)

**Board Member and Treasurer, Vail Valley Medical Center – Vail, CO.** Managed budget, negotiated contracts, oversaw physician relations, including with Steadman\*Hawkins Clinic, designed and implemented successful donor events, capital campaigns and fundraising activities (1992—2006)

**Capital Campaign Cabinet Member, Lone Tree Cultural Arts Center – Lone Tree, CO.** Fundraiser for new cultural arts center and theatre in suburban Denver, secured the largest corporate gift for the Arts Center (2009—2011)

**Emcee and Live Auctioneer, Children’s Diabetes Foundation, Colorado Ballet, Cerebral Palsy, Women’s Lighthouse Project, St. Mary’s Academy, Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Make A Wish Foundation, Mental Health America Foundation, Colorado Epilepsy Foundation, Cancer League of Colorado, American Cancer Society, LightSpark Cancer Resources, Arapahoe Community College and many others.** Raised millions of dollars for nonprofits (1992—)

## **EDUCATION**

- Juris Doctor, The University of Michigan Law School – Ann Arbor. Graduated in top third of the class; Research and Administrative Editor, U Mich J L Reform
- Bachelor of Arts with Honors in Psychology, The University of Michigan – Ann Arbor. Summa cum laude; Phi Beta Kappa; graduated 11<sup>th</sup> in a class of 11,000

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS/MEMBERSHIPS/ACTIVITIES – Past and Present**

- Admitted to the Bars of United States Supreme Court, US 10<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals, US District Courts for the District of Colorado and the Northern District of California, United States Bankruptcy Courts for D. Colo. and CD Calif., and Colorado Supreme Court
- Denver and Colorado Bar Associations – Served on numerous committees and practice groups.
- Colorado Bar Foundation – Fellow
- American Bar Association – Chaired Foreclosures in Real Property committee
- Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity – numerous significant leadership posts
- A-V rated lawyer, Martindale-Hubbell, for over 40 years
- Listed in Who’s Who in America, Who’s Who in the World, Who’s Who in the American West, Who’s Who in the Law, Who’s Who in Emerging Leaders, The Bar Register of Preeminent Lawyers, and Colorado Super Lawyers
- Actor, director, producer, writer and singer in over 700 productions in California, Colorado and Michigan