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SUMMARY

Corporate Counsel with 7+ years of experience in litigation and working with executive leadership in the areas of personal injury, compliance, commercial real estate, commercial sales, transportation, insurance, and finance. Proven ability to manage risk, structure litigation strategies, oversee contract disputes, handle employment matters, negotiate commercial contracts, develop remediation plans, and support operational decision-making in fast-paced environments. Leverages a unique litigation background to proactively mitigate risk and exposure.

Skills

- Litigation and advocacy
- Contract drafting
- Case management
- Technological proficiency - CRMs, EMRs, legal databases, & AI tools
- Analytical reasoning & compliance
- Negotiation
- Legal research and writing
- Communication & counseling
- Scientific evidence proficiency

EXPERIENCE

Berry Law

Associate II

June 2026-Present

Serve as lead counsel on personal injury matters, managing all phases of litigation from case evaluation through resolution. Develop and execute litigation and settlement strategies in collaboration with legal professionals, medical providers, and experts to maximize client recovery while navigating complex lien, subrogation, reimbursement, and healthcare cost issues. Negotiate with insurance carriers and third parties, provide strategic legal counsel to clients, and drive efficient case resolution in a fast-paced litigation environment. Engage in community outreach programs as a corporate representative.

DRT, LLC

Corporate Counsel

Oct 2024 - Jan 2026

Counsel to a portfolio of companies in the following industries: transportation, insurance, commercial sales, commercial real estate, and finance. This includes advising one of the largest asset-based transportation carriers in the country. Mitigated legal exposure by proactively advising executives and senior management on regulatory compliance, risk mitigation, corporate transactions, property acquisitions, ethical compliance, and litigation strategy. Successfully directed employment litigation and contract dispute matters across state, federal, and administrative forums. Worked closely with HR on employee relations, internal investigations, CBA negotiations, and compliance initiatives. Developed and implemented a federally compliant recovery strategy for the commercial sales and leasing division. Pursued over 24M in outstanding debt and obtained substantial settlements for assets that were deemed a total loss. Assisted in the mitigation of losses on issues pertaining to security and data breach. Served as the primary point of contact for commercial sales and real estate transactions. Worked with executive leadership through the closure of the 10 Roads Group of Companies on January 31, 2026.

High & Younes, LLC

Attorney

Mar 2023 - Oct 2024

Represented clients in complex personal injury and commercial contract disputes across Nebraska and Iowa. Managed all phases of litigation, including pleadings, discovery, depositions, expert witness retention, settlement negotiation, and trial preparation. Led a team of professionals in the development of litigation strategies in high-value matters dealing in catastrophic physical injury, traumatic brain injury, permanent disability, and wrongful death claims. Analyzed medical documents and worked with medical professionals in the development of expert reports, increasing the total assessed value of the claim. Served as first and second chair on complex litigation matters with evaluations in excess of seven figures.

Engles, Ketcham, Olson & Keith, PC

Associate Attorney

Apr 2018 - Mar 2023

Provided defense representation in complex civil litigation matters involving substantial liability and exposure. Representation includes, but is not limited to, matters involving severe bodily injury, wrongful death, professional negligence, construction defect, professional negligence, subrogation, and employment related disputes. Successfully defended Nebraska medical professionals in Nebraska District Courts and before the Nebraska Department of Human Services. Secured favorable summary judgment rulings in wrongful death, personal injury, professional negligence, and employment matters. Drafted pleadings in state and federal courts, including, Daubert motions, MSJs, motions to dismiss, and an Appellee brief before the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Milton Abraham Legal Clinic

Senior-Certified Law Student/Counsel

Spring 2016

Provided legal representation as a senior certified law student while under the supervision of a licensed attorney. Composed legal memoranda, filings, and represented clients in Nebraska State Courts. This representation included providing counsel for limited-income families in the field of landlord-tenant law and family law matters.

Higgins Law

Law Clerk

Apr 2014 - Aug 2015

Served as a law clerk for one of the most prominent family law attorneys in Omaha, NE during my 2L year of law school. My duties included responding to discovery matters, preparing motions and other pleadings, and observing/summarizing depositions, hearings, and other court room proceedings. In addition, I prepared several memorandums in the area of Family Law, Criminal Law and the Stored Communications Act.

Muller Toyota & Phillipsburg Easton Honda

Sales Associate

2011 - 2013; 2016-2018

Sales associate for two of the highest volume dealerships in New Jersey. This experience came while preparing for the LSATs prior to law school, and while studying for the bar exam. I was proficient in my time with these dealerships despite dueling obligations as I was consistently one of the top salesmen - earning salesman of the month at Phillipsburg Easton Honda.

EDUCATION

CREIGHTON UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

Juris Doctor

Honors & Activities: Frances Ryan Endowed Scholarship Recipient; Phi Alpha Delta (Chief Justice; 2014-2016); Mentor, Class of 2017; Trial Competitions; Sports & Entertainment Law Society; Business Law Society.

THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

Bachelor of Arts • Crime, Law & Justice

Minor • Sociology

Honors & Activities: B94.5 Internship; THON Committee member; Supported planning and execution of the largest student-run philanthropy in the United States, raising millions annually for pediatric cancer research.

Licenses & Affiliations

Nebraska State Bar Association Executive Committee, elected two-year term

Nebraska Leadership Academy, Class of 2025

Licensed to practice law in Nebraska, Iowa, and New Jersey

Member of NSBA, ISBA, NJSBA, and ABA