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Thomas J. Wolf is an experienced litigator and trial attorney who represents companies, executives, and entrepreneurs in complex civil litigation. He has served as lead counsel in numerous jury trials in state and federal courts across the United States. Tom is widely recognized for his swift and calculated approach to disputes involving trade secrets, unfair competition, commercial lease and finance matters, breaches of asset purchase agreements, computer fraud, real estate development and lending, real estate partition actions, contested probate matters, commercial fraud, and minority shareholder claims.

Tom is Board Certified in Civil Trial Advocacy and Civil Pretrial Practice by the National Board of Trial Advocacy, a distinction that recognizes excellence in legal advocacy, demonstrated competence, and professional integrity.

In addition to his litigation practice, Tom advises local and national companies on mergers and acquisitions and counsels real estate developers, builders, and lenders on various aspects of real estate transactions, including the purchase, sale, and leasing of development projects.

A natural extension of Tom's practice is advising clients on business succession planning and the preservation of family wealth. He works closely with clients to develop tailored estate planning strategies designed to protect assets and preserve legacies across generations.

Tom joined Ireland Stapleton in 2008. Before joining the firm, he was a partner at Myer, Swanson, Adams & Wolf, P.C., a Denver law firm founded in 1960, where he practiced for 26 years.

## LEGAL EXPERIENCE

- Published cases – *Itin v. Ungar*, 17 P.3d 129 (Colorado Supreme Court allowed treble damages for civil theft in a commercial setting).
- *Ajay Sports Inc. v. Casazza*, 1 P.3d 267 (Colorado Court of Appeals in a case of first impression permitted apportionment of punitive damages among defendants by the jury).
- *Cache National Bank v. Hinman*, 626 F. Supp. 1341 (Federal District Court permitted claim by former bank president for contribution to proceed against bank directors).
- *Southwestern Development Company v. Humphrey*, 709 P.2d 51, rev'd in part, 734 P.2d 637 (Colorado Supreme Court held that district courts have jurisdiction to determine title to water rights, not state water courts).

## EDUCATION & ADMISSIONS

### Education

- J.D., University of Denver Sturm College of Law, 1982, Board of Editors, Denver Law Journal
- B.A., University of Colorado, 1979

### Admissions

- Colorado
- Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals
- U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado
- United States Supreme Court

## HONORS & AWARDS

- Selected to The Best Lawyers in America® for Commercial Litigation, Corporate, Real Estate Law, and Trusts and Estates, 2019-2025
- Board Certified in Civil Pretrial Practice, 2012-present
- Selected to Colorado Super Lawyers® for Litigation Law, 2011, 2015-2017
- Rotarian of the Year by Rotary District 5450, 2011
- Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service, 2010
- Board Certified Civil Trial Advocate by the National Board of Trial Advocacy, 1993-present

## INVOLVEMENT & PUBLICATIONS

### Involvement

- American Bar Association
- Colorado Bar Association
- Colorado Trial Lawyers Association
- Denver Bar Association
- Interprofessional Committee, Denver Bar Association, Past Chairman

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