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### PRACTICE AREAS

General Insurance Law
Subrogation & Recovery
Workers' Compensation

Defense

#### **EXPERIENCE**

*Ms. Benson joined Pollart Miller in 2012* and focuses her practice on insurance defense litigation, including representing companies and insurance carriers in workers' compensation and liability matters, and criminal defense.

During law school Ms. Benson served as the Editor-in-Chief of the Barry Law Review where she was responsible for the publication of two law review journals, as well as hosting a live symposium. Ms. Benson also interned with a Fortune 500 company, served as a research assistant, and became a Certified Legal Intern in Barry University's Children and Families Clinic where she represented juveniles charged with criminal offenses.

Upon graduating from law school, Ms. Benson gained significant trial experience by serving as a prosecutor in Volusia County, Florida. During her time with the State Attorney's Office, Ms. Benson sat first and second chair on numerous jury trials, bench trials, and violation of probation hearings, as well as successfully argued countless motions and other pre-trial matters.

Ms. Benson left the State Attorney's Office in 2010 to focus her practice solely on civil litigation. Ms. Benson practiced with a personal injury law firm in Orlando, Florida where she represented injured clients in medical malpractice, premises liability, nursing home neglect, auto accidents and other personal injury actions. Ms. Benson's experience in representing plaintiffs provided a unique perspective into both the motives and drivers of her clients. Utilizing this knowledge, Ms. Benson then joined an insurance defense law firm in Central Florida and represented insurance carriers and their insureds in the defense of civil liability claims. In 2012, Ms. Benson relocated to Colorado where she continues to focus her practice on defending insurance carriers and their insureds in civil litigation and workers' compensation matters.

**DENVER | SALT LAKE CITY | PHOENIX** 

### **SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS**

Mile High Association of Legal Support Staff – Workers' Compensation Overview – 2018

### **PRESENTATIONS**

- Bad Faith Claims: Claims Notes as Evidence 2018 Client Presentation
- Bad Faith 2018 Annual Seminar Client Presentation

### PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS

Colorado Bar Association
Denver Bar Association
Professionals in Workers' Compensation

## **AWARDS**

Rated by Thomson Reuters as a Super Lawyer, 2020 Recognized by the AIOLC as 10 Best in Client Satisfaction for Workers' Compensation, 2018

#### **BAR ADMISSIONS**

Colorado

Arizona

Florida

U.S. District Court, District of Colorado

#### **EDUCATION**

J.D., Barry University, 2008

magna cum laude

B.A., University of Central Florida, 2004

cum laude

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