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## BRENDA L. BARTELS

### Partner

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#### Practice Areas

- Appellate
- Entertainment & Sports Law
- Litigation
- Private Client Services
- Real Estate
- Real Estate Litigation
- Wills, Trusts, Estates & Probate

#### Admissions

- Colorado
- Nebraska

#### Education & Honors

- University of Nebraska College of Law (cum laude) 1987

#### Associations

- Colorado Bar Association
- El Paso County Bar Association
- Colorado Women's Bar Association
- Nebraska Bar Association.

Ms. Brenda Bartels works in the Colorado Springs office focusing her practice on litigation and being a trial attorney. Ms. Bartels brings a common sense but hard-hitting approach to representing clients in court to achieve the best possible result. While settlement of claims and disputes is often more appealing than going to trial, opposing attorneys know, by reputation and experience, that Brenda is prepared and willing to aggressively try the case if a fair resolution cannot be reached.

Ms. Bartels has litigated civil cases across the state of Colorado and Nebraska and in federal district court. Brenda's litigation experience includes: business and commercial transactions, real estate, estate and probate disputes, construction issues and mechanic's liens, personal injury and wrongful death, homeowner associations.

Brenda also has significant experience in business formation, contracts, and other transactional work. She brings her common sense, practical approach to this aspect of her practice as well, with a keep it simple strategy.

#### Awards:

- Bryan Gardner Outstanding Young Lawyer, El Paso County Bar Asso.
- Nebraska Law Review
- Nebraska Order of the Coif
- Order of the Barristers

**Community Involvement:**

- Citizens Project, chair Policy & Advocacy committee
- Southern Colorado AIDS Project, board/council, secretary
- Nebraska Supreme Court, Access to Justice Committee
- Friends of the Midwest Theater Board
- Center for Conflict Resolution Board
- Chamber of Commerce–Governmental Affairs Co-Chair

**Professional Experience:**

- Hanes & Bartels LLC., Colorado Springs (formerly Hanes & Schutz) 2008-2022;
- Douglas, Kelly, Ostdiek, Bartels & Neilan, Scottsbluff, NE 1997-2008;
- Law Office of Brenda Bartels, Colorado Springs, 1996-1997
- Enoch & Enoch, Colorado Springs, 1994-1996
- Sparks, Dix, Enoch, Suthers PC, Colorado Springs, 1987-1994