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MANAGING ATTORNEY- Cannon Disability Law, P.C.

For 30 years, I have represented clients seeking Social Security Disability benefits at administrative hearings and through all levels of appeal. I also represent clients seeking Black Lung benefits, Railroad Retirement Disability benefits, and Veterans Service-Connected Disability benefits. I have litigation experience in Federal District Court and the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals.

ACTIVITIES AND MEMBERSHIPS

Member, Utah State Bar Association 1992-2021
Member, Nevada State Bar Association 2008-2021
Member, California State Bar Association 2009-2021
Member, Board of Trustees, S.J. Quinney College of Law 2011-2021
Member, President's Club, University of Utah, 2011-2021
Adjunct Professor of Law, S.J. Quinney College of Law 2006-2021
Sustaining Member, National Organization of Social Security Claimant's
Representatives 1992-2021
Accredited Disability Attorney, Department of Veterans Affairs 2010-2021
Member, ACLU of Utah Board of Trustees, 2012-2015
Member, ACLU Legal Panel 1999-2007
Board Member, Women Lawyers of Utah 2002-04
President, Women Lawyers of Utah 2002-03
Ex Officio Member for WLU, Board of Utah State Bar Commissioners 2003
Contributing Editor, Utah Trial Journal 2000-03
Judge Pro Tempore, Third District Small Claims Court 1997-99
Legal Counsel, People With Aids Coalition 1995-1998
Member, Utah State Bar Needs of the Elderly Committee 1998-2000
Member, Utah State Bar Legal/Health Care Committee 1994
Member, Washington State Bar Association, inactive status 1994
Volunteer, Washington Latino Legal Services Project 1994

EDUCATION

Juris Doctor, University of Utah College of Law 1992
Note and Comment Editor, Journal of Contemporary Law 1992
Director, Academic Support Program 1992
Staff Member, Journal of Energy Law and Policy 1991
William H. Leary Scholar, (Top 20%) 1990
Legislative Research Coordinator, Women's Law Caucus 1990-91
Tutor, Academic Support Program 1990-91

Honors Bachelor of Arts Degree, English Literature, cum laude
Bachelor of Arts Degree, History of Art, cum laude, University of Utah 1989

Phi Beta Kappa 1989

Honors Program Foreign Study Abroad Scholarship, Madrid, Spain 1989

Cambridge University Study Abroad Scholarship, Cambridge, England 1986

University of Utah Honors at Entrance Scholarship 1983-1989

PRESENTATIONS, ARTICLES, PUBLICATIONS, & AWARDS

Utah Legal Elite, Utah Business Magazine, 2016, 2017, 2020, 2021

Social Security Disability Claims, Volumes 1 & 2, published by Thomson Reuters, 2019, 2020, 2021 Edition

Presentation - "An In-Depth Look at the Social Security Process and How to Assist Claimants with Mental Disability," Disability Law Center Mental Health Advisory Board, 2019

Presentation - "Understanding Social Security Disability and Supplemental Security Income Benefits," National Conference of Adrenal Insufficiency United, 2019

Featured in Women in Law, Attorney at Law Magazine, Volume 6 No. 2F, 2018

Presentation - "Reopening: How to Get More Benefits for Your Clients," National Organization of Social Security Claimant's Representatives, National Conference, Arizona 2017

Contributing Writer, "Understanding Social Security Disability Benefits - An Essential Part of Protecting Your Future," Attorney at Law Magazine, 2016

Presentation - How to Win Your Social Security Disability Case - 10th Circuit Winter Meeting - March 2014

Presentation - Encouraging Conversations about Equity and Inclusion in the Workplace - 5th Annual YWCA Young Women's Leadership Summit - April 2013

Award - Utah Business Magazine - Utah Legal Elite - January 2011

Presentation - Documenting Mental Health Disabilities for the Social Security Administration - "Responding on the Home Front: The Impact of Military Engagement on Families and Communities" Sponsored by the University of Utah College of Social Work and the Utah Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers - October 2010

Presentation - "Social Security Disability and Supplemental Security Income Issues for Children with Cystic Fibrosis" - Cystic Fibrosis Parent Outreach Clinic - Primary Children's Hospital - October 2008

Presentation - "Documenting Disability Training for Medical Providers, The SSA Disability Determination Process" - Association for Utah Community Health, University of Utah Student Programs in Family Medicine, Area Health Education Center - October 2007

Award - Utah Business Magazine - Utah Legal Elite - January 2006

Presentation - "What Family Law Lawyers Need to Know About Social Security Disability and the Utah Retirement System" - Utah State Bar Family Law Section - April 2005

Award - Utah Business Magazine - "Risk Takers - 30 Women To Watch" - March 2003

Presentation - "Social Security Issues Related to Deaf and Hard of Hearing Individuals" -Division of Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing - 2002

Presentation - "Statutory Blindness and Reopening Your Social Security Claim in Federal Court" -Social Security Conference for the Blind or Visually Impaired - Blind Center 2002

Article - "Maximizing Disability Benefits in the Case of Worker's Compensation Offset" - Utah Trial Journal, Fall 2000

Presentation - "Handling a Social Security Disability Case" - National Business Institute - 2000

Presentation - "An Introduction to Social Security Law" - Multiple Sclerosis Society Annual Meeting - 1998

Presentation - "Chronic Fatigue Syndrome and the Social Security Disability Case" - CFS Society - 1997