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James draws on more than 20 years of litigation experience to provide effective representation to clients involved in a variety of complex business disputes.

Businesses from a broad array of industries trust James to successfully guide them through litigation.

James practices litigation in a variety of legal fields, including business litigation, real estate litigation, employment litigation, and employee benefits litigation. He has extensive experience in complex commercial disputes, especially relating to breach of contract litigation.

Jim served as the Administrative Partner of the Salt Lake City office from 2018 to 2022.

Prior to joining Holland & Hart in 1999, James practiced with the Salt Lake City law firms of Manning Curtis Bradshaw & Bednar and Richards Brandt Miller & Nelson.

RECOGNITION

- Mountain States Super Lawyers®, Business Litigation, 2013-2021
- *The Best Lawyers in America*® Commercial Litigation, 2025; Litigation – ERISA, 2017-2025
- *Utah Business Magazine,* Utah Legal Elite, Commercial Litigation, 2006; Labor and Employment, 2017; Civil Litigation, 2017-2020, 2022
- *Chambers USA,* Labor & Employment: ERISA, Spotlight Table, 2007-2019; Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation, 2020

PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC AFFILIATIONS

- American Bar Association, Member
- Utah Bar Association, Member

PRACTICES

Business Litigation
ERISA and Benefits Litigation
Real Estate Litigation

EDUCATION

University of Utah College of Law, J.D., 1996
Order of the Coif
Member, *Utah Law Review*

University of Utah School of Business, B.S., 1992
cum laude
Finance

BAR ADMISSIONS

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