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**Areas of Practice**

My current practice is primarily devoted to estate and civil litigation. Litigation services include: will contests, trust challenges and administration, actions regarding undue influence and incapacity, elder abuse, breach of fiduciary duty and contested guardianships, wrongful death, personal injury, contract and real estate litigation. I have experience with both bench and jury trials in Nevada State District Court, Guardianship Court, and Probate Court. I also have experience practicing before the U.S. District Court for the District of Nevada.

**Education**

- Bachelor's Degree in Psychology (*Cum Laude*); Political Science and Mandarin Chinese Minor; Golden Key National Honor Society; National Dean's List; Athletic Scholarship for Track and Cross Country; Athlete Scholar Award; UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY (1993). Also worked 25-40 hours per week through college.
- Juris Doctor Degree (*Cum Laude*); Associate Editor, Brigham Young University Education and Law Journal; Student Bar Association Representative; Woody Deem Trial Competition Honorable Mention; J. REUBEN CLARK LAW SCHOOL, BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY (1995). Also worked 20-30 hours per week through law school.

**Professional Licenses**

- Attorney at Law – State of Nevada, 1996
- Attorney at Law – State of Utah, 1997

**Admitted to Practice Before the Following Courts**

- Supreme Court of Nevada – 1996
- Federal District Court of Nevada – 1996
- Supreme Court of Utah – 1997

**Professional Memberships/Honors**

- Who's Who Top Lawyers of North America 2019
- Voted by my peers as one of Southern Nevada's 2017 and 2018 Legal Elite (Nevada Business Magazine)
- Top 100 Lawyers in Southern Nevada 2010 (Nevada Business Magazine)
- American Association for Justice

**Experience**

- Principal/Managing Partner – Blackrock Legal, Las Vegas, NV – January 1, 2019 to present, practice areas listed above
- Principal/Partner – Goodsell & Olsen, Las Vegas, NV – January 1, 2007 –

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- Principal/Partner – Law Offices of Michael A. Olsen, Las Vegas, NV – April 2002 - January 2007, practice areas included: commercial litigation, personal injury (including bus accident settlement in excess of 1 million dollars), wrongful death, real estate litigation, shareholder disputes and derivative actions, partnership disputes.
- Principal/Partner – Trafton, Chatlin & Olsen, Ltd. - Las Vegas, NV – Mar. 2001 – April 2002, practice areas included: insurance defense, construction defect litigation (defense), commercial litigation, personal injury, wrongful death, shareholder disputes and derivative actions.
- President/General Manager -- Las Vegas Bandits, International Basketball League Franchise – Las Vegas, NV – October 1999 – April 2001. Ran all business, marketing and legal aspects of basketball franchise including hiring, training and management of all coaches, staff and basketball operations personnell. Negotiated all player contracts as well as negotiating lease with Thomas & Mack Center for games. Assisted sales staff with all marketing, sales and sponsorship.
- Associate – Alverson, Taylor, Mortensen, Nelson & Sanders – Las Vegas, NV – February 1996 – October 1999, practice areas included: insurance defense; medical malpractice (defense), commercial litigation, shareholder disputes and derivative actions; real estate litigation.

## Languages

- Mandarin Chinese