

**Professor Sheila K. Hyatt**  
**University of Denver Sturm College of Law**

**CURRENT POSITION**

1989 – present: Professor of Law  
1983 – 1989: Associate Professor of Law  
1979 – 1983: Assistant Professor of Law  
1995 – 1998: Associate Dean for Academic Affairs University of Denver College of Law

**SUBJECTS**

Evidence  
Evidence Practicum  
Civil Procedure  
Gender and Law  
Trial Practice

**LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

1975 - 1979: Assistant Attorney General, State of Missouri Civil Litigation: Experience in public law litigation; lead counsel for state of Missouri in St. Louis and Kansas City school desegregation cases; litigation counsel for Missouri State Board of Education, State Treasurer and State Commission on Human Rights.

Appellate: Over twenty appellate arguments in Missouri Appellate Courts; appeal of the St. Louis desegregation case in Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Administrative Law: Hearings and administrative review experience in the areas of civil rights complaints, personnel hearings, handicapped in education cases, professional and occupational licensing.

1974-5: Law Clerk: Hon. Robert E. Seiler, Supreme Court of Missouri.

1973: Research Assistant: Prof. Frank Miller, Washington University School of Law.

**ADMITTED TO PRACTICE**

States of Missouri and Colorado.  
Federal District Courts of Missouri and Colorado.

Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals.

## **EDUCATION**

B.A. 1971: Miami University, Oxford, Ohio Major: English Literature

J.D. 1974: Washington University School of Law, St. Louis, Missouri. Special Articles Editor, Washington University Law Quarterly. Member, Washington University Law Quarterly Staff. Publication: Authority to Issue Warrants Under the Fourth Amendment, 1973 Washington U.L.Q. 777.

## **PUBLICATIONS/SCHOLARSHIP**

Hyatt, Sheila K., COLORADO EVIDENCE TREATISE (2008) (Thomson/West), *with Pocket Supplements to 2016-17*.

Hyatt, Sheila K., (with Stephen Hess), COLORADO CIVIL RULES ANNOTATED, with Author's Commentary. Fourth Edition; Volumes 4 & 5 (with Stephen Hess), *with Pocket Supplements to 2016-17*.

Hyatt, Sheila K., (with Stephen Hess) COLORADO HANDBOOK ON EVIDENCE (West 2016-17 ed.).

Hyatt, Sheila K., *Lying to Sylvia Crawford*, DENVER UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW ONLINE SUPPLEMENT (2011).

Hyatt, Sheila K., *Developments in Scientific Evidence: The Admissibility of Polygraph Evidence*, 18 JOURNAL OF THE NAT'L ASSOC. OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES 171 (1998).

Hyatt, Sheila K., *Evidence Law: Appellate Deference - Turning Rules into Guidelines*, 69 DENV. U. L. REV. 963 (1992).

Hyatt, Sheila K., *The Remedies Gap: Compensation and Implementation under the Education for All Handicapped Children Act*, 17 N.Y.U. REV. OF LAW & SOC. CHANGE 689 (Spring 1990).

Materials for course in Gender in the Law, developed from independent reading and consultation with other scholars in the area of feminist jurisprudence. Course developed and materials gathered in 1989; course taught for first time Winter, 1990.

Federal Rules of Evidence Self-Assessment and Learning Program. Hearsay material, with editorial responsibility on entire program. (Published by Professional Evaluation and Publication Services, Inc., 1986).

COLORADO PRACTICE - CIVIL RULES ANNOTATED (2d Ed. West 1985), with R. Hardaway. Two volumes in West's Colorado Practice Series.

Chapters on Discovery, Pre-Trial Motions, Special Procedures, Appellate Review and Jurisdiction, in KRENDL'S COLORADO PRACTICE - METHODS OF PRACTICE (West 1982).

Litigating the Rights of Handicapped Children to an Appropriate Education: Procedures and Remedies, 29 U.C.L.A. L. Rev. 201 (1981).

### **HONORS & AWARDS**

Honoree for Teaching & Mentoring, Raising the Bar Award, Colorado Women's Bar Association 2015.

Recipient, Law Star Award for Excellence in Teaching, University of Denver College of Law 2007.

Recipient, Mary Lathrop Trailblazer Award, presented by the Colorado Women's Bar Association 1996.

### **PROFESSIONAL (selected activities)**

Member, Colorado Supreme Court Office of Attorney Regulation, Hearing Commission for the Presiding Disciplinary Judge (2015-16 -- ongoing since 2004).

Member, Colorado Supreme Court Committee for Evidence Rules (2003-2016).

Speaker, Public Defender Training, Aurora, Colorado (2009)

Speaker, New Judge Training, State Court Administrator, Denver, Colorado, March 2007

Speaker, Colorado State Judicial Training Conference, Vail, Colorado, September, 2005 and 2006.

Faculty, National Institute of Trial Advocacy, Training the Child Advocate, May 2000 - 2004, Denver, Colorado.

Reporter, University of Denver College of Law, Strategic Plan, 2000. .

Speaker, Colorado Civil Procedure, BAR/BRI, February and July, 2000 to 2002.

Speaker, Colorado Women's Bar Association, Academic Roundtable, Vail, Colorado, May, 2000.

Faculty, National Institute of Trial Advocacy, Training the Child Advocate, June 2-5, 1999, Denver, Colorado.

Speaker, Colorado Women's Bar Association, The Future of Women in the Legal Profession, May, 1997.

Recipient, 1996 Mary Lathrop Trailblazer Award, presented by the Colorado Women's Bar Association.

Speaker, Colorado Trial Lawyers Association, Trial Vignettes Seminar: Advocacy in Opening Statements, Denver, Colorado, April 1996.

Speaker, Federal Judicial Center, 1996 Workshop for the District and Circuit Judges of the Tenth Circuit, Civil Procedure, Jurisdiction and Discovery: Living with Disuniformity; Santa Fe, New Mexico, March, 1996.

Speaker, Colorado Bar Association, 13th Annual Litigation Symposium, Cross Examination; Vail, Colorado, June 1995.

Instructor, Institute for Advanced Legal Studies, Overview of Feminist Legal Theory, April, 1995.

Speaker, Federal Judicial Center, 1994 Workshop for the District and Circuit Judges of the Tenth Circuit, Recent Developments in Civil Procedure, Jurisdiction and Sanctions; Phoenix, Arizona, March, 1994.

Speaker, Colorado Women's Bar Association, Feminist Jurisprudence: The Impact of Women on the Law, Keystone Colorado, May 1987.

Outline of Trial, materials prepared for Basic Litigation Skills, Courtroom Practice Seminar, Colorado Continuing Legal Education, with D. Stark and R. Kendig, 1986).

### **SERVICE (selected) College Of Law**

- Member (elected) Promotion & Tenure Committee 1984-85, 1990-1995, 1998-99, 1999-2000, 2000-01, 2002-03 (chair), 2010-11 (chair); 2011-12; 2012-13; 2013-14.
- Member (elected) Faculty Executive Committee, 2006-07; 2008-09; 2009-10
- Supervisor, Daniel Hoffman Moot Court Competition, 1989-2004
- Reporter, College of Law Strategic Planning Committee, Summer/Fall 2000
- Chair, Appointments Committee 1992-4, 1999-2000, 2001-02, 2004-5, 2012-13

- Chair, Admissions and Recruitment Committee, 1983-89
- Faculty Advisor to Women's Law Caucus
- Director, Student Law Office, 1981-82

#### **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

- Law Dean Search Committee (2008-9)
- Provost Search Committee
- Graduate Council
- Park Hill Campus Council
- Chancellor's Dinner Teacher/Speaker
- Faculty Senate
- Personnel Committee
- Affirmative Action Board (Chancellor's commendation)
- Member, Women's Studies Group

#### **OTHER**

- AALS Section on Women in Legal Education
- Parental Leave Project Coordinator
- BAR-BRI Lecturer in Civil Procedure & Family Law
- Colorado Board of Bar Examiners Question Review
- Vice-president and Board of Trustees, Herzl School

#### **PERSONAL**

- Married to Judge Robert S. Hyatt;
- Two children, ages 31 & 35, three grandchildren.