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We have a published record of multimillion-dollar verdicts and settlements. What can we do for you?

IN 2010, CHALAT HATTEN & KOUPAL PC EXTENDED ITS record of multimillion-dollar results. In February, Jim Chalatt and Evan Banker won an \$18.5 million award on behalf of their client, who had been run over by a drunk driver. The judgment included \$2 million in punitive damages. It is thought to be the highest auto/pedestrian judgment entered in Colorado courtroom history.

In April, Chris Koupal and Evan Banker collected for their client an appealed jury verdict which included a \$100,000 punitive damage award. The judgment was entered against a downtown Denver hotel in a bath tub slip-and-fall case.

In August, Jim Chalatt and Russ Hatten won and later collected a substantial judgment entered by a Breckenridge jury in a skier collision case. Veteran court watchers observed that it had been years since a plaintiff's personal injury jury verdict was returned in Summit County District Court. "As the top plaintiffs' ski law firm in the nation, we carefully follow developments in ski injury claims. We are particularly proud of this win in a ski town," says Linda Chalatt, author of skisafety-blog.com and skilaw.com.

In October 2010, Jim Chalatt gave an invited presentation to a first-year torts class at Harvard Law School. The presentation earned top reviews from the professor and students.

The firm's attorneys do not visit the courthouse for "photo-opportunities" or television commercials. As veteran trial lawyers, the firm's attorneys have plenty of real reasons to go to court. "When potential clients contact our firm, they have done their homework. Our record is more persuasive than any billboard or TV ad," states Jim Chalatt.

Chalatt Hatten & Koupal attorneys have handled and tried all manner of catastrophic personal injury cases, including: brain trauma and spinal cord injury, traumatic amputations, orthopedic injuries and wrongful death. Focusing on plaintiffs' representation, the firm accepts ski accident, medical and legal malpractice, car and truck accident cases, premises injury matters such as slip-and-fall injuries, explosions/carbon monoxide poisoning cases, and general negligence matters. As a testament to their skill, experience, and success, Colorado's legal community included all five Chalatt Hatten & Koupal attorneys on either the *Colorado Super Lawyers*® or *Rising Stars* lists this year.

The lawyers participate in a variety of volunteer and pro bono work. Each of the members is active on non-profit boards or at the local schools, takes on no-fee case work, and is committed to his or her community.

Chalatt Hatten & Koupal PC takes cases in all Colorado state and federal courts. The firm accepts referrals and co-counsel arrangements in and out of state as allowed by the Rules of Professional Conduct. It enjoys a collaborative relationship with its co-counsel and maintains a civil relationship with adverse counsel. The firm is pleased to offer competitive fee and cost arrangements, including discount contingent fees in many cases. "Our motto states our commitment," emphasizes Jim Chalatt. "After helping hundreds of clients, we continue to ask: what can we do for you?"

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