

# Katie Reilly

Katie Reilly moved to Colorado from the East Coast as a young lawyer in search of trial opportunities, outdoor adventures, and great friends. She's never looked back. She is an antitrust and class action litigation partner and management committee member at Wheeler Trigg O'Donnell, and a proud stepmother of two incredible daughters and two poorly behaved labs.

## **PROFILE**

#### Hometown:

Storrs, Connecticut

## **Law School:**

New York University School of Law

#### Lives in:

Denver

#### Works at:

Wheeler Trigg O'Donnell

## **Practice Area(s):**

Antitrust, class action, and commercial litigation

# **CBA Member Since:**

2005

# Why did you become a lawyer?

Law combines two of my greatest passions: helping people solve problems and learning new things (i.e., never being bored!).

## What's the best advice you've ever been given?

"Be the change you want to see in the world [or in your law firm]." —Mahatma Gandhi, paraphrased.

## What are you passionate about?

Advancing women and diverse lawyers to the highest levels of the legal profession.

## If you weren't a lawyer, you'd be?

A high school English teacher and youth soccer coach, and then a bookstore owner in retirement.

## Favorite place you've traveled to:

It's a tie between New Zealand and Argentina; we visited both in 2019, and I am still holding on to those memories tightly!

#### **Favorite Denver restaurant:**

The Plimoth has amazing food, a great neighborhood feel, and a killer wine list.

# What do you consider your greatest achievement?

My relationships with family and friends—many of whom are members of our truly special legal community.

## What's your favorite board game?

Monopoly (Game of Thrones version), though only my stepdaughters enjoy playing with me for some reason.

## What is the most rewarding moment of vour practice?

There's nothing more rewarding than pulling together as a team to achieve an outstanding result for a client.

# What advice would you give a new lawyer?

Be tenacious—and take risks!—in pursuing personal and professional fulfillment in your legal career. And don't believe anyone who says you have to choose between a successful legal career and your other passions in life; those will only make you a better (and happier) lawyer. •

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