



# Maral Arjomandi

Maral Arjomandi is ethics and conflicts counsel at Holland & Hart. She has a passion for diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) and is the former DEI chair of the CBA YLD executive council and the current chair of Holland & Hart's Inclusion and Belonging Committee.

## PROFILE

### Hometown:

Colorado Springs

### Law School:

Case Western Reserve School of Law

### Lives in:

Aurora

### Works at:

Holland & Hart LLP

### Practice Areas:

Ethics and conflicts

### CBA Member Since:

2017

### Pronouns:

She/her/hers

### Describe yourself in five words.

Mom-to-be. Welcoming. Determined. Caring. Fun!

### Why did you become a lawyer?

In high school, I volunteered with a program called Teen Court and absolutely loved it. I was sold on being a lawyer after that experience.

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

Words matter.

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

To take the first job offered after law school. The firm I interviewed with did not match my values. Thankfully, I didn't follow that advice and found a better fit shortly after declining that offer.

### What's your favorite memory from law school?

During law school, I had the privilege of working at the Health Law Clinic, where I handled social security benefit appeals. The gratitude expressed by my clients will forever stay with me.

### What's one of the most positive experiences you've had as a lawyer?

This past year, I've taken on the role of chairing the Inclusion and Belonging Committee at my firm, and it has been an incredibly meaningful journey for me. Every month, we dedicate ourselves to curating programs that allow us to celebrate, educate, and wholeheartedly embrace a range of DEI initiatives. These experiences have truly been the highlight of my career as a lawyer, touching me on a personal level and igniting a deep passion for promoting DEI.

### What do you like the most about your practice area?

Who doesn't love dealing with conflict and ethics issues, right? In my role, I enjoy helping my colleagues navigate these multifaceted challenges and reassuring them as they adhere to the rules of professional conduct.

### Outside of the law, what are your hobbies?

Traveling, scuba diving, reading a good book, hiking, soaking in a hot spring or hot tub, and playing board games.

### What's your favorite board game?

Viticulture. You get to "build" and run your own vineyard.

### What's your favorite place to escape to in Colorado?

Any hot springs. Some of my favorites are Mount Princeton, Strawberry Hot Springs, and Iron Mountain Hot Springs.

### What's your favorite place you've traveled to?

New Zealand. It has some of the most beautiful scenery I've ever seen! 

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