

# Case Collard

## Partner

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When clients have a dispute or see one on the horizon, Case is a steady presence offering creative solutions.

Case is a trusted advocate due to his practical advice about which cases to take to trial and which to resolve early. When it is time for trial, Case is a first chair trial lawyer. Case recently led the City of Fort Collins, Colorado to success in two-week jury trial in Colorado District Court and prevailed in a patent trial in the Western District of Texas.

A computer scientist by training and a registered patent attorney, Case is fluent in a variety of technical disciplines, from software to manufacturing. He excels at translating challenging concepts to the court or jury. As a former Lieutenant with the Golden Fire Department and college football player, Case is tenacious and calm under pressure. He brings this unique combination of skills to bear in every case whether patent, trade secret, contract, or complex commercial litigation. Case practices all over the country and is a member of the bar in California and Colorado.

Beyond his skills as an advocate, Case is a leader in his community. He is the head of Dorsey's Denver office. He served with the Golden Fire Department for 13 years. He is a former board chair of both Jefferson Unitarian Church and Project PAVE, a Denver non-profit promoting healthy relationships. He is committed to pro bono efforts, leading a partnership between Dorsey and the Korey Wise Innocence Project to challenge faulty expert evidence. His participation in the U.S. District of Colorado Civil Pro Bono Program led to Dorsey Denver's recognition as a Gold Circle Law Firm.

## Select Experience

- Lead trial counsel for the City of Fort Collins in two-week federal jury trial against Open International, LLC and Open Investments, LLC for fraudulent inducement, negligent misrepresentation, and breach of contract claims. The jury returned a verdict finding that Open fraudulently induced the City into a multi-million dollar

## Education

- University of Kansas School of Law (J.D.)
  - Rice Foundation Scholar
  - Big XII Conference Postgraduate Scholarship
- University of Kansas School of Engineering (B.S., Computer Science)
  - Summerfield Scholar
  - University of Kansas Football, Varsity Letterman
  - Big XII Commissioner's Honor Roll

## Bar Admissions

- Colorado
- California
- United States Patent and Trademark Office

contract to implement its billing software, Open Smartflex (OSF). The verdict permitted the City to rescind the contract, nullifying the parties' respective breach of contract claims. After a hearing regarding restitution, the Court awarded the City \$19,891,447 in restitution and interest.

- Lead trial counsel for ACQIS in a patent jury trial in W.D. Texas (A. Albright) against ASUSTeK Computer, Inc. and ASUS Global PTE. LTD. The jury returned a verdict in favor of ACQIS, finding all asserted claims infringed, not invalid, and awarding \$17,970,582. The Court entered a judgment of over \$20 million with interest.
- Lead counsel for Crumbl Cookies in litigation across the country to protect its intellectual property, including trademark, trade dress, and trade secret actions. The actions have included suits in Utah, California, and New Jersey and led to a number of favorable rulings and confidential settlements.
- Lead counsel for ACQIS in thirteen litigations in the Western District of Texas and 16 IPRs at the USPTO. ACQIS prevailed in all 16 IPRs. The litigations have led to multiple confidential settlements.

## Court Admissions

- U.S. Federal Circuit Court of Appeals
- U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado
- U.S. District Court for the Western and Eastern Districts of Texas
- U.S. District Courts for the Northern, Central, and Southern Districts of California
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit

## Professional Affiliations

- Project PAVE – Member Board of Directors, Former Chair
- Jefferson Unitarian Church – Member Board of Trustees, Former President
- Golden Fire Department - Lieutenant (Retired)
- Denver Rotary, Club 31 - Member
- Colorado Civil Pro Bono Panel - Member
- American Bar Association, Patent Litigation Committee
- California Bar Association
- Colorado Bar Association, Intellectual Property Law Section
- Denver Bar Association

## Accolades

- *Best Lawyers in America*®, Commercial Litigation, Intellectual Property Litigation, Patent Law, Denver, 2025-2026
- Consistently providing pro bono legal assistance to those in need through Dorsey's Pro Bono program
- *IAM Patent 1000*, "World's Leading Patent Professionals," 2023-2026
- Thomson Reuters, "Stand-Out Lawyers," 2025
- BTI, Client Service All-Stars, 2025
- Contributed more than 50+ Diversity hours, 2020-2021
- *Colorado Super Lawyers*®, "Rising Stars," 2014-2016
- *Denver Business Journal*, "40 Under 40," 2016

## Select Presentations

- Speaker, Lex Machina's "2022 Contracts: Commercial Litigation Report", October 2022.
  - Speaker, "Claim Drafting in Light of PTAB," Rocky Mountain IP & Technology Institute, May 2015.
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## Insights

August 8, 2025

**Dorsey Patent Partner Case Collard Quoted in ABA Journal on IP Issues Surrounding Viral Toy Labubu**

June 21, 2021

**Dorsey Partner Case Collard Remarks on SCOTUS Arthrex Ruling**

June 3, 2021

**Dorsey Partner Case Collard Comments on Future of Fort Collins' Utility Contract Dispute**

March 2, 2021

**Dorsey Partner Case Collard Comments on Smith & Nephew v. Arthrex**

May 31, 2017

**Supreme Court Bolsters Patent Exhaustion Doctrine, Patent Laws Cannot Be Used Against Resellers**

May 30, 2017

**Dorsey Partner Case Collard Comments on Lexmark IP Ruling**

March 21, 2017

**Dorsey Partner Case Collard Weighs-in on "SCA Hygiene Products v. First Quality Baby Products"**

March 17, 2017

**Dorsey Partner Case Collard Discusses Patent Exhaustion**

February 14, 2017

**Dorsey Partner Case Collard Remarks on Apple v. Samsung Patent Case**

February 14, 2017

**Dorsey Partner Case Collard Discusses Fair Use in Oracle v. Google Case**

February 8, 2017

**Dorsey Partner Case Collard Comments on Apple v. Samsung Return to District Court**

December 29, 2016

**Dorsey Partner Case Collard Weighs in on "Apple v. Samsung" Case**

December 6, 2016

**Dorsey Partner Case Collard Remarks on Recent Ruling in Samsung vs. Apple Copyright Case**

December 6, 2016

**Samsung wins Supreme Court fight with Apple**

December 6, 2016

**Supreme Court throws out Apple's \$399M win in Samsung patent fight**