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Overview

Becky helps companies advance their business interests through strategic communications, advocacy, and building relationships with government and industry leaders. With 25 years of public policy advocacy experience, Becky has the knowledge and connections to help clients get results.

She has substantial experience advising businesses on organizational strategy and developing and deploying strategic initiatives. Becky also brings a cultivated approach to public and media relations, stakeholder engagement, and consensus building to help clients influence positive outcomes.

Before joining Strategies, Becky served as Executive Director of the Rocky Mountain Children's Law Center where she oversaw organizational strategy, drove community engagement efforts, and advocated for public policy reform. Earlier in her career, Becky founded a government relations consultancy that specialized in health, education, and community initiatives and policy reform.

Experience

Becky brings considerable experience to her role. Throughout her career, she has held the following leadership roles:

- Vice President of Child and Family Services, Lutheran Family Services Rocky Mountains
- Ombudsman, Office of Colorado Child Protection Ombudsman (established the office)
- Adjunct Faculty, University of Denver (Social Policy & Advocacy)
- Director of Strategic Initiatives, Tennyson Center for Children at Colorado Christian Home

- Executive Director, Colorado Judicial Institute



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Practices

Government Relations, Political Law
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Michael Best Strategies LLC

- Director of External Affairs, Colorado Care Management
- Government Affairs Liaison, Indiana Health Care Association
- Finance Director, Indiana House Democratic Caucus

Honors & Recognitions

- *Denver Business Journal*, Outstanding Woman in Business Top 3 Finalist, 2010, 2012

Professional Activities

- Advisory Board, Words Beyond Bars
- Board of Directors, Colorado Children's Alliance
- Board of Directors, Illuminate Colorado
- Appointee, Delivery of Child Welfare Services Task Force, Colorado Department of Human Services

Education

- University of Denver, Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.), 2013
- University of Denver, Master of Arts (M.A.), 2003
- Indiana University Bloomington, Bachelor of Science (B.S.), 1997

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Michael Best Strategies Principal Appointed to Child Welfare Task Force