

James Hart

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EDUCATION

University of Denver Sturm College of Law, Denver, CO

J.D., May 2006

GPA: 3.87; Class Rank: 1

- Recipient, the Faculty Prize, awarded for highest GPA in graduating class
- Recipient, the Hardaway Prize, awarded to the student in the top 5% of the graduating class who made the greatest overall contributions to the law school
- Senior Editor, The University of Denver Law Review
- Scholastic Achievement Award (highest grade in class), Constitutional Law II, Evidence, Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Order of St. Ives
- Scholarships: The Vice-Provost Scholarship, 2004-2006 (awarded full scholarship based on scholastic performance); The Whitford Scholarship, Law Scholarship, 2002-2006

Peabody Conservatory, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD

M. M., violin performance

- Recipient, The Freidburg Chamber Music Prize, Peabody Conservatory, 1989

Oberlin Conservatory, Oberlin, OH

B. M., violin performance

- Concertmaster, Oberlin College Orchestra, 1985-1987

The Juilliard School, New York, NY

- Principal Second Violin, The Juilliard Pre-College Orchestra, 1981-1982

PUBLICATIONS

- James Hart, Book, *The U.S. Supreme Court in American Society: Historical Perspectives* (Edward Elgar Publishing 2025)
- James Hart and Flore Foulon, Article, *A Comparative Law Guide to a Post-Dobbs America*, 30 CARDOZO J. E.R. & S.J. 621 (2023)
- James Hart, Article, *The Constitution and Demographic Shifts*, 14 ALA. C.R. & C.L. L. REV. 1 (2022)
- James Hart, Article, *Our Conflicting Liberty Heritage from England and France*, 54 CREIGHTON L. REV. 19 (2020)
- James Hart, Article, *Revisiting Incitement Speech*, 38 QUINNIPIAC L. REV. 111 (2019)
- James Hart, Article, *When the First Amendment Compels an Offensive Result: Masterpiece Cakeshop, Ltd., v. Colorado Civil Rights Commission*, 79 LA. L. REV. 420 (2018)
- James Hart, Comment, *In Search of History: Goodridge v. Department of Public Health*, 82 DENV. U. L. REV. 79 (2004)

- Jan Laitos and James Hart, *Takings Law in Colorado*, in ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION OF COLORADO REAL PROPERTY 461–86 (Stephen A. Bain ed., 2007)

PRESENTATIONS

Guest Speaker, The University of Tennessee College of Law, at the Symposium “Deeply Rooted: The Aftermath of the *Dobbs* Decision” March 9, 2023

TEACHING INTERESTS

Primary Interests: Constitutional Law I, Constitutional Law II, The First Amendment, A History of the Supreme Court, American Legal History
Additional Interests: Jurisprudence, Comparative Law, Contracts, Torts, Evidence

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Visiting Professor of Law, Touro Law Center 2026-27 academic year
 • Teaching Constitutional Law and the First Amendment

Visiting Professor of Law, Stetson University College of Law Spring 2022, 2023, and 2024
 • Taught Constitutional Law, designed and taught a Seminar on A History of the Supreme Court

Adjunct Professor, University of Denver Sturm College of Law 2017- 2021
 • Taught Constitutional Law, Constitutional Law II, Topics in Constitutional Law: The First Amendment, and Advanced Criminal Procedure, both in the full-time program and the weekend/hybrid program

• Designed the weekend/hybrid program, which has in-person and online components, for Constitutional Law II and Topics in Constitutional Law: The First Amendment

Violinist, Colorado Symphony Orchestra 1991-2022
 • Performed major symphonic repertoire with internationally acclaimed conductors

Partner, Choquette & Hart November 2011-April 2019
 • Successfully represented clients as a partner in a litigation firm regarding issues of wrongful death, accountant malpractice, breach of contract, tortious interference with contract, breach of the duty of loyalty, unfair competition, fraud, personal injury, and violation of the Colorado Uniform Trade Secrets Act

Partner, Hake Hart & Lintzenich January 2009-May 2010
 • Specialized in wills, trusts, and contracts

Associate, Burg Simpson Eldredge Hersh & Jardine September 2007-July 2008
 • Worked on litigation on subjects including sub-prime mortgage issues, defective drug issues, and premise liability at both trial and appellate court levels, including a case before the Colorado Supreme Court

Summer Associate, Hoffman Reilly Pozner & Williamson

Summer 2005

- Performed legal research, wrote memoranda, and drafted briefs on issues including the Takings Clause and the Contracts Clause

Professor Jan Laitos, University of Denver Sturm College of Law

- Drafted Teacher's Manual for JAN G. LAITOS ET AL., NATURAL RESOURCES LAW (2006), covering ownership of natural resources, land use and commodity resources, and conservation, preservation, and recreation uses
- Drafted supplement for JAN G. LAITOS, LAW OF PROPERTY PROTECTION RIGHTS: LIMITATIONS ON GOVERNMENTAL POWERS (2004), covering the nature of police power and limits on those powers, including the Takings and Contracts Clauses, vested rights doctrine, equitable estoppel, and retroactivity

Judicial Clerk Internship, U.S. Magistrate Judge Craig Shaffer

Autumn 2004

- Responsible for legal research and initial drafting of selected opinions

International Chamber Music Performances

1985-2008

- Fauré Piano Quartet with Jean-Yves Thibaudet, Miami Beach, FL
- Mendelssohn Octet and Brahms String Quartet with Max Rabinovitsj, Entrecasteaux, France
- Schubert Quintet with Max Rabinovitsj, Paris, France
- Brahms Piano Quintet with Jeffrey Kahane, Denver, CO
- Bach Brandenburg Concerto No. 2 with Jeffrey Kahane, Miami Beach, FL
- Brahms Piano Quintet with Sylvia Rosenberg and Clive Greensmith, Lisbon, Portugal