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Speaker Bios

Jeffrey D. Stevens, *Shareholder, Parr Brown Gee & Loveless*

Mr. Stevens has extensive experience representing clients in state and federal courts, private arbitrations and mediations. As a trial lawyer, he handles a variety of commercial disputes, and has significant experience and expertise in the construction industry. Mr. Stevens represents general contractors, owners, subcontractors and suppliers in Utah and the Intermountain West. On behalf of his clients he has prosecuted and defended against the entire range of construction related claims, including breach of contract, mechanic's lien, construction defects, design defects, delay, disruption, unforeseen conditions, termination, application of the plans and specifications, warranty, indemnity, safety, industrial accidents, payment and performance bonds, kickbacks, and insurance coverage. Mr. Stevens has represented clients involved in some of the most notable construction projects in the Intermountain West, including the Grand America Hotel, the Olympic Speed Skating Oval, Ritz-Carlton Bachelor Gulch, as well as corrections facilities, government administration buildings, commercial office towers, oil and gas refineries, private residences, secondary schools, public relations facilities, sports training facilities, industrial production and distribution facilities, and apartment complexes.

Darrel Bostwick, *Shareholder, Bostwick & Price, P.C.*

Mr. Bostwick's practice areas include real estate development; land use and planning; construction claims litigation; regulatory matters such as OSHA, labor and employment; and contractor licensing and general commercial litigation. He has presented at seminars on behalf of the Utah Land Title Association, the National Association of Home Builders, Utah Home Builders Association, Associated General Contractors, Associated Builders and Contractors, National Electrical Contractors Association and the Utah Sheet Metal Contractors Association. Mr. Bostwick is a member of the Utah State Bar (member and past chair, Construction Law Section). He is a member of the Associated Builders and Contractors (Utah Chapter Counsel and National PAC Trustee), the Associated General Contractors (past chair of Legislative Committee and Legal Advisory Committee), and the National Association of Home Builders (past Executive Committee member). He received a B.S. degree in Construction Management graduating top in class from Brigham Young University and a J.D. degree from Brigham Young University J. Reuben Clark Law School.

Gregory M. Simonsen, *Fetzer Simonsen Booth & Jenkins*

Mr. Simonsen is an experienced litigator specializing in the areas of construction, real estate, land use, and commercial disputes. He has written several articles on construction law and zoning and planning issues and has lectured widely on these same issues. Prior to founding Fetzer Simonsen Booth & Jenkins in 2002, Mr. Simonsen was a shareholder at one of Utah's largest law firms. He served as Chairman of the West Jordan Planning Commission and as Vice President of Utah Transit Authority's Board of Trustees. Mr. Simonsen graduated from the University of Utah in 1982 (magna cum laude) and from the University of Utah School of Law in 1985. During law school, he was a member of the University of Utah Law Review and received the William Dewsnepe Law Scholarship and was a William H. Leary Law Scholar. Mr. Simonsen is the author of numerous articles on construction law, zoning, real estate development, boards of adjustment, planning commissions and land use. He has presented numerous real estate, land use and zoning seminars. He is a past Chairman of the Construction Law Section of the Utah State Bar. Mr. Simonsen also operates the cooperative wildlife management unit of the Bar J. Ranch.