



RHYDDID WATKINS
PARTNER

Professional Summary:

Mr. Watkins is an experienced trial attorney who works with clients on a range of construction, business litigation, biotechnology, and agribusiness matters. He has tried dozens of cases to verdict in federal, state, and administrative courts across the country, including a number of multi-week jury trials. Mr. Watkins works with his clients at every phase of disputes, from litigation avoidance through appeal. Prior to joining Martin Hild, P.A., Mr. Watkins was a partner at an Am Law 100 firm in Denver where he focused on complex litigation and class actions.

Admitted:

- 2009, Minnesota
- 2015, Colorado
- Minnesota; U.S. District Court for the District of Minnesota
- Colorado; U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado
- United States 10th Circuit Court of Appeals

Education:

- **Law School:** The George Washington University Law School, J.D., 2009
- **College:** University of Hawaii at Hilo, B.A., 2004

Recognitions:

- **Martindale-Hubble** — *Client Champion Platinum*, 2024
- **Super Lawyers** — *Rising Star*, 2018-2019, 2021
- **Ramsey County Bar Association** — *Excellence in Diversity Award*, 2016

Presentations:

- *E-Discovery* — Colorado CLE, 2015
- *Written Discovery Strategies and Best Practices* — Minnesota CLE, 2013
- *Conducting Effective and Efficient Written Discovery* — Minnesota CLE, 2011

Publications:

- *What Lies Ahead for GM Crops?*, Feedstuffs, June 2011
- *Uprooting the Injunction on Roundup Ready*, Law360, 2010

Professional Associations:

- Colorado Bar Association – Minnesota State Bar Association



Representative Matters:

- First chaired a five-day jury trial; a complete verdict for client on all claims and over a \$1 million judgment for client
- Member of trial team that secured a complete defense verdict on allegations of a defective artificial hip after a three-week jury trial
- Member of trial team that secured a complete defense verdict on the first case to go to trial on national litigation involving a metal-on-metal articulating surface
- Obtained a substantial verdict on a construction defect case after a bench trial
- Successfully arbitrated construction dispute claims

