

Cat Shea

Cat Shea is the new president of the Colorado Women's Bar Association.

PROFILE

Hometown: Shreveport, Louisiana

Law School: University of Michigan Law School (Go Blue!)

Lives in: Athmar Park, Denver, Colorado

Works at: Colorado Supreme Court Office of Attorney Regulation Counsel

Practice Area(s): Attorney ethics and professional conduct

CBA Member Since: 2014

Describe yourself in five words.

Loyal, comical, passionate, gregarious, persistent.

Why did you become a lawyer?

It's a cliché, but I wanted to help people.

What's the best advice you've ever been aiven?

"Life's not fair." I used to think that's a cruel mantra, but it is absolutely true. I don't always expect things to go my way, and I am able to deal with setbacks when they happen without taking them personally.

What is one of the most positive experiences you've had as a lawyer?

My involvement with the Colorado Women's Bar Association. I have made incredibly good friends, been provided with leadership opportunities, and helped change the landscape of public policy and the judiciary in Colorado simply by being a member of the CWBA.

What do you like the most about your practice area?

The cases in which we're involved span all substantive areas of the law, which keeps it interesting. I also like the public protection aspect.

What do you wish you had learned in law school?

That your law school grades have nothing to do with what kind of lawyer you'll be.

What is your favorite place to escape to in Colorado?

I really love Steamboat Springs.

If you weren't a lawyer, you'd be:

A veterinarian. @

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