

# ZACHARY W. WARKENTIN

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## EDUCATION

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- The University of Denver Sturm College of Law**, Denver, CO 8/2007—Present
- J.D. Candidate, 2010; Overall G.P.A. - 3.24; Last term G.P.A. - 3.73
  - Sports & Entertainment Law Society (SELS), **President** 5/2008—Present
    - “JobJam ’09” - Worked with the Colorado Chamber of Commerce, Denver radio stations, vendors, the DU administration and six musical acts to produce, finance and publicize a hybrid job fair and music festival on DU’s campus
    - Worked with representatives of the Denver Nuggets and the Colorado Rockies to host law student nights accompanied by lectures on modern trends in sports law
    - Produced the “SELS Fall Forum,” an evening event designed to bring together local prominent attorneys with D.U. law students interested in sports and entertainment law
  - Sports & Entertainment Law Journal (SELJ), 11/2007—Present  
**Candidacy Editor, Graphics Editor**
    - Evaluated and selected admitted members of the SELJ, with an overarching goal of securing inspired and active participation in the SELJ
    - Published student note entitled, “*Man vs. Mountain: How Colorado Season Pass Waiver Provisions Limit Liability Claims by Injured Skiers Against Negligent Ski-Area Operators*,” <http://law.du.edu/index.php/sports-and-entertainment-law-journal/past-issues>
    - Selected by other SELJ officers to represent the Journal among top-level professionals at the 2008 Sports Lawyers’ Association Conference in San Francisco, CA.
  - Helped motivate the formation of the DU Transactional Law Clinic by meeting with the clinical administration, discussing the formation process, and ultimately encouraging it to act
  - Nominated for a Student Leadership Award for developing JobJam ’09 4/2009
  - Moot Court, *Client Counseling Competition* 1/2009
  - Researched, edited and drafted portions of a chapter discussing the scope of free speech on the Internet from Professor John Soma’s textbook, *Internet and Computer Law: Cases, Comments and Questions* 8/2009—Present
- University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**, Chapel Hill, NC 8/1997—5/2001
- B.A., Journalism, Mass Communications and Graphic Design
  - Political Cartoonist, The Daily Tar Heel (all four school years)
  - Commissioned to design the official seal for the UNC-CH Office of Minority Affairs
- School for International Training**, Granada, Spain 8/2000—12/2000
- Admitted to accelerated Spanish study within “El Albaicín,” the ancient city-center of Granada, Spain
    - Attained conversational proficiency in Spanish while living with a non-English speaking family.
  - Conducted a field study exploring the infusion of American Blues music in the modernization of traditional flamenco music, including interviewing legendary flamenco players like “Tomatito”

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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- Platypi, Inc.**, Intellectual Property and Media Production Firm 8/2008—8/2009  
*Legal Intern*, Denver, CO
- Acted as sole legal assistant to the firm’s CEO and In-House Counsel
  - Drafted artist representation contracts, articles of band incorporation, and performance agreements for city-wide musical events such as the annual *Concerts for Kids* fundraiser
  - Researched nuanced points of evolving IP law such as how American copyright law is positioned to handle the explosion in popularity of digital music sampling, and emerging labor issues related to the live broadcasting of theater performances
- Chambers of the Honorable Sheila A. Rappaport** 5/2008—8/2008

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### *Judicial Intern*, 2nd Judicial District, Denver, CO

- Researched and drafted judicial decisions on discrete issues of law such as the appeal of an ALJ decision holding defendants in violation of the Colorado Hazardous Waste Act, a defendant's motion to quash various subpoenas, and motions to dismiss counts of particular indictments
- Instructed and supervised jury members during several trials and other proceedings, pulled docket for the court, and observed in camera proceedings under the guidance of Judge Rappaport
- Participated in three murder trials by pulling fifty-plus-person jury pools and coordinating defendant courtroom delivery by the sheriff's office

### **Broken Tongues Music**

**3/2007—Present**

#### *Co-Founder and Member*, Denver, CO

- Co-founded band and managed all band business/marketing aspects, including website design, CD design, CD physical production, and hiring professional musicians for live performances
- Co-produced a full-length CD, "Vocal Chords," released on April 22, 2009, featured on 93.3 KTCL, and available for purchase on iTunes, Rhapsody, eMusic and Amazon.com
- Scored the bass, guitar, keys and beats for dozens of original musical works
- Branded the band with original graphic designs, artwork and photographs

### **Dirty5Thirty**

**2/2002—3/2007**

#### *Co-Founder and Member*, Chapel Hill, NC

- Co-founded band, managed all band business aspects, including website design and marketing, as well as merchandising with t-shirts, lighters, posters and banners
- Produced all audio and graphics for a full-length CD, "ItsNotGonnaBeLikeItWasBefore," and a promotional seven-song EP, "Stage Presents"
- Created "Project Elevation," a one-day fundraising music festival that raised over \$3,000 benefiting cancer research

### **Warkenstein Design Group**

**3/2003—7/2007**

#### *Co-Founder and Head Designer*, Chapel Hill, NC

- Co-founded graphic design partnership
- Worked with a variety of clients to develop branding for their individual business entities, including an art studio, a nightclub, a jazz artist and the UNC college basketball museum
- Used income from this design enterprise to supplement the lost opportunity costs of time spent on the road in a traveling band

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## **ACHIEVEMENTS / INTERESTS**

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- Fourteen years of musical theory study in jazz, blues and flamenco (guitar and piano)
- Certified, World Tae Kwon Do Federation, 3rd-degree black belt in Tae Kwon Do
- Professional knowledge of technical graphic design and audio production software
- Snowboarding, skiing, guitar, piano, scuba diving, mountain biking, backpacking, tennis, flag-football and spending time with Julius (my seven-year-old Black Lab / German Shepard)