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Practice Areas

White Collar, Corporate Compliance, and
Government Investigations
Women Lawyers Group
White Collar Criminal Defense
Cannabis Law

Skye Lazaro is an experienced state and federal criminal defense attorney and Legal Analyst for KUTV2 and KUTV2.com. She is Chair of the Firm's White Collar, Criminal Defense & Government Investigations, Cannabis Law Groups and Sports Law Group. Her criminal practice emphasizes a dual-focus defense that incorporates both pre-indictment advocacy, and litigation and trial representation of individuals and companies alleged to have engaged in criminal activity.

She represents companies and individuals in all facets of government investigations, including political investigations, pre-file investigations, grand jury investigations, and other government enforcement actions. Her focus on pre-indictment advocacy, which includes providing vital factual context and legal argument on behalf of clients, has helped numerous individuals - including several formally identified as "targets" - avoid prosecution entirely. Skye has earned a reputation as a tough and aggressive attorney with extensive trial experience, representing clients in over one hundred jury trials throughout her career- including some of the region and country's most complex and high-profile criminal cases.

Skye's practice area also includes the representation of athletes working closely with sports agents negotiating NLI agreements and other aspects of athlete representation. She has extensive experience with college athletics, representing athletes and coaches in matters involving the NCAA and Safe Sport.

Skye regularly provides legal analysis and commentary on breaking news stories, trial proceedings, celebrity scandals, and other legal issues on KUTV2, CBS and some of the most popular true crime



podcasts and documentaries.

Skye is a member of the Board for the Rocky Mountain Innocence Center, and served on the Utah Sentencing Commission from 2022-2024 developing sentencing guidelines and making recommendations to all three branches of government regarding the sentencing and release of individuals committing criminal and juvenile offenses.

EDUCATION

University of Montana Andrew Blewitt III School of Law, J.D., 2008

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE

- Utah State Bar
- Montana State Bar
- Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals
- United States District Court, District of Montana
- United States District Court, District of Utah

AFFILIATIONS / MEMBERSHIPS

- Utah Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers
- National Trial Lawyers Association
- Past Chair, Utah State Bar Criminal Section
- Salt Lake County Bar Association
- Utah Minority Bar Association
- Women Lawyers of Utah
- Member of the Board, Rocky Mountain Innocence Center
- Utah Sentencing Commission 2022-2024



PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC ACTIVITY

- VOA Volunteer and Advocate, Homeless Youth Resource Center
- VOA Volunteer and Advocate, Geraldine E. King Women's Resource Center
- National Trial Lawyers Top 40 Under 40 2018-2022
- Utah Legal Elite 2018-2022
- National Trial Lawyers Top 100 Criminal Defense Attorneys 2023, 2024

PUBLICATIONS / PRESENTATIONS

- Presenter, "Whether you Like it or Not: How TikTok, Instagram, Tinder, Facebook/Meta & Social Media Impacts the Legal Profession," Utah State Bar Summer Convention, July 2022
- Author, Statewide Gun and Defense Statutes, Sept 2021
- Presenter, "Reopening After COVID," CLE May 2021
- Author, "PPP Loan Prosecution Is Here to Stay", Legal Update, February 2021
- Author, "Legal Implications of Entering the World of Cannabis and Your Professional License -What You Need to Know," Utah Physician Magazine, Nov/Dec 2020