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SERVICES

- Appellate Practice
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- Environmental Law - Energy and Natural Resources Law
- Tribal / Native American Law

Thomas C. Bird

Thomas Bird's practice focuses on appellate law matters.

Bar Admissions

- New Mexico
- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals Tenth Circuit

Education

- University of New Mexico, B.A. (1977)
- University of New Mexico, J.D. (1982)

Honors and Awards

- Inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*® for the areas of:
 - Appellate Practice
 - Litigation – Antitrust
 - Native American law
 - Natural Resources Law
- Inclusion in the 2015 *Best Lawyers in America*® Lawyer of the Year in the area of Native American law.
- Annually honored by *Southwest Super Lawyers* since 2009
- Inducted as Fellow into The American Academy of Appellate Lawyers
- Recipient of Lewis Sutin Award for Excellence in Appellate Advocacy
- Rated AV by Martindale-Hubbell®

Professional Associations and Memberships

- State Bar of New Mexico, member
 - Board of Directors and Chair in 1993-1994
 - Natural Resources and Environmental Section, member
 - Board of Directors Appellate Practice Section 2002-2005 (Chairman 2004)
- New Mexico Supreme Court Appellate Rules Committee, member
 - Chair, Appellate Law Specialization Committee

Published Works

- *Brown v. Presbyterian Healthcare Services, Inc.*, 101 F.3d 1324 (10 th Cir. 1996) (one of the few successful antitrust claims brought by a physician against a hospital based on the revocation of hospital privileges);
- *Homans v. City of Albuquerque*, 366 F.3d 900 (10 th Cir. 2004) (a successful First Amendment challenge to the City of Albuquerque's campaign spending limit);
- *TPL, Inc. v. New Mexico Department of Taxation and Revenue*, 133 N.M. 447, 64 P.3d 474 (2002) (reversing the Department's denial of TPL's gross receipts tax deduction);
- *Blake v. Public Service Company of New Mexico*, 134 N.M. 789, 82 P.3d 960 (Ct. App. 2003) (holding that public utility had no duty to pedestrians with respect to maintenance of street lights operated under contract with municipality);
- *Piña v. Gruy Petroleum Management Co.*, 139 N.M. 619, 136 P.3d 1029 (2006) (holding that choice of law provided in oil field services contract was void as contrary to public policy);
- *Johnstone v. City of Albuquerque*, 140 N.M. 596, 145 P.3d 76 (2006) (holding that stepfather/police officer had no duty to anticipate and prevent stepdaughter's suicide);
- *Capco Acquisub, Inc. v. Greka Energy Corp.*, 145 N.M. 328, 198 P.3d 354 (2008) (reversing judgment against appellant/parent corporation on due process grounds);
- *Valdez v. R-Way, LLC*, 145 N.M. 328, 198 P.3d 354 (2010) (holding that release of employee extinguished respondent superior claims against employer).