

# DANIEL K. DYGERT, ESQ.

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## CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

*Objective: Achieve ecological and financial outcomes by combining legal expertise with land-based stewardship by maximizing the four forms of wealth: Ecological, Financial, Social, and Personal.*

With a law degree, *summa cum laude*, from the University of Arizona and eight years of legal experience, Dan has been involved in a wide variety of transactions and litigation. His background includes acting as counsel for the borrower in negotiating and documenting a \$290 million credit facility; acting as counsel for the seller in a ranch sale; acting as counsel for the target corporation in a public merger transaction; acting as counsel for a regional airline in numerous leveraged-lease transactions; representing a hydropower development firm before federal agencies; and many other transactions involving mergers and acquisitions, real estate transfers, and miscellaneous corporate matters.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

CARRUS LAND SYSTEMS, LLC, Logan, Utah 2007-Present  
*Chief Operating Officer*

- Manage operations in organizational establishment, initial project engagement, and plan implementation.

SYMBIOTICS, LLC, Logan, Utah 2007-Present  
*General Counsel*

- Oversaw all corporate legal matters, as well as legal issues arising in connection with the hydropower permitting and licensing process.

UNITED STATES ARMY NATIONAL GUARD 1994-Present  
*Recipient, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Utah National Guard Commendation Medal, Utah National Guard Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Ribbon, Global War On Terrorism Expeditionary Service Medal, Global War On Terrorism Service Ribbon, and Olympic Service Ribbon*

*Judge Advocate (Captain/O-3), Utah Army National Guard, 2001-Present*

- Currently serve as the Command Judge Advocate for the 115<sup>th</sup> Engineer Group, which involves managing all legal matters arising within the command.

*Trial Counsel / Trial Defense Counsel, 2003-2005*

- Reported for active duty in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.
- Served as Trial Counsel and oversaw all military justice matters in the 115<sup>th</sup> Engineer Group.
- Completed seven months as Trial Defense Counsel for the Army's Trial Defense Services, defending accused soldiers at court martial and adverse administrative proceedings, including one soldier accused of detainee abuse at Abu Ghraib prison.

From 1994 to 2003, served as Tacfire Specialist with U.S. Army National Guard.

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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BEARNSON & PECK, L.C., Logan, Utah

2001-2007

***Attorney***

- Participated in a wide variety of transactions and litigation, including acting as counsel for the borrower in negotiating and documenting a \$290 million credit facility, acting as counsel for the seller in a \$3.7 million ranch sale, and numerous other real estate and corporate transactions.
- Obtained numerous favorable dispositions and settlements, such as securing a \$250,000 jury verdict in federal court for a pork producer who had been defrauded in the purchase of diseased boars and gilts.
- Presented a variety of educational seminars to such groups as the Utah Farm Bureau, local water users associations, and local ranchers on topics ranging from the preservation and protection of water rights to fencing laws.

PARR WADDOUPS BROWN GEE & LOVELESS, Salt Lake City, Utah

1999-2001

***Attorney***

- Worked as an attorney for one of Salt Lake City's most selective and prestigious law firms providing a wide array of transactional and litigation legal services.
- Acted as counsel for the target corporation in a \$33 million public merger transaction; acted as counsel for a regional airline in numerous \$9 to \$18 million leveraged-lease transactions; and many other transactions involving mergers and acquisitions, real estate transfers, and miscellaneous corporate matters.

**EDUCATION**

UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA, Tucson, Arizona

***Juris Doctor, summa cum laude***, 1999

- Order of the Coif
- Arizona Law Review
- Ares Fellow

UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY, Logan, Utah

***Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy, magna cum laude***, 1996

**PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- Board Member, Cache County Agriculture Advisory Board. Drafted revised County ordinance to expand protections available to local farms and ranches under Utah's Agriculture Protection Act.
- Member, Utah Bar Association.
- Bar Admissions: Idaho (2005), Tenth Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals (2002), and Utah (1999).