**Colin Crossman**

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EXPERIENCE

**Secretary of State’s Office, State of Wyoming** Cheyenne, WY

Director of Business Division April 2023 – Present

* Manage Business Filing Division, covering LLCs, Corporations, Partnerships, Trusts, &c.
* Address complex filing issues arising during the operation of the Office.
* Provide advice and background on statutory and rule changes affecting the Business Division.
* Supervise Business Division staff.
* Provide testimony to the Wyoming Legislature on the operation of the Business Division, and coordinate the interaction of the Division with Legislators, other Executive agencies, and the public.
* Prepare and file amicus brief on behalf of the Wyoming Secretary of State in the [*Custodia v. Federal Reserve*](https://www.courtlistener.com/docket/68486662/010011075367/custodia-bank-v-federal-reserve-board-of-governors/) appeal.
* Wrote a small tool in Python to automate name checks, which saved one person-day of work per day.

**Distributed Hash, LLC** Cheyenne, WY

Member January 2022 – Present

* Design and build out of Bitcoin ASIC hosting facility.
* Construct custom measurement and reporting software.
* Build out telegram chat bot interface in Python to automate remote facility control.
* Generate and publish public reports & insights.
* Regulatory outreach with municipal and county governments in Wyoming and Colorado.

**Rhea Hospitality** Durham, NC & Las Vegas, NV

Principal and Manager November 2007 – April 2023

* Owner and operator of The King’s Daughters Inn in Durham, NC, The Mayton Inn in Cary, NC, and The Retreat on Charleston Peak in Las Vegas, NV.
* Oversee all aspects of bookkeeping, IT, reservations, and guest relations.
* Develop and maintain several internal tools which are used daily to operate the business. These tools require a mix of many technologies, including Python, SQL, VMWare, AWS, Linux, Javascript, and others.
* Develop and maintain internal phone system for all properties, using Asterix PBX.
* Developed and submitted the site plan, minor special use permit, development review board, and variance applications for the Inn.
* Oversaw outside counsel in the successful syndication of federal and state historic tax credits during the market crash of 2008.
* Successfully financed, built, and opened The King’s Daughters Inn, Durham’s first new downtown lodging facility in 15+ years during the market downturn of 2008-2009.
* Successfully financed, built, and opened The Mayton Inn, which kickstarted the revitalization of Downtown Cary.
* Guided purchase of The Retreat on Charleston Peak, a mountain lodge hotel near Las Vegas, NV.
* Responsible for all regulatory and financial matters.

**PhD Posters, LLC** Durham, NC

Member and General Counsel November 2005 – April 2023

* Address complex laws, rules and regulations related to an online business with physical locations in multiple jurisdictions.
* Conducted initial formation, acquired trademarks, drafted licensing agreements and devised the route for franchising the business model.
* Developed a legal structure to allow the company to transition from a single location to an internet company with locations around the United States.
* Managed the establishment of a Canadian subsidiary.
* Provide ongoing legal advice for and assistance as needed.

**Foundation for Individual Rights in Education (FIRE)** Philadelphia, PA

Senior Program Officer May 2015 – January 2016

IT Consultant July 2020 – April 2023

* Researched university speech codes, classifying them with respect to constitutionality.
* Provided ad-hoc assistance with technical matters (IT support, website support, etc.).
* Using Python, developed and deployed a tool to more efficiently track which universities needed to be updated, and which staffer had most recently made updates.
* Design, build, and deploy new internal phone system based on 3CX.
* Manage the transition from Lastpass to Okta for internal security controls.

**Triangle Apartment Association** Raleigh, NC

Government Affairs Director January 2008 – March 2009

* Developed and directed governmental and regulatory policies and objectives; coordinate the operations of the organization as related to government relations.
* Analyzed facts, laws, cases, rules and regulations, and applied findings to determine the potential impact on the association’s constituency. Provided education to the membership regarding ongoing developments.
* Analyzed proposed legislative actions and determined the potential impact on the association’s membership.
* Interfaced with elected officials at all levels (municipal, state and Federal), of all political parties, to advocate for positive changes in the legal and regulatory environment.
* Coordinated with friendly groups to increase our overall impact.
* Educated association members on the legislative and regulatory environment, and coordinated member responses.

**Duke University School of Law** Durham, NC

Faculty Fellow January 2005 – August 2006

* Faculty fellow under the Center for the study of Public Genomics.
* Researched the effects of software patents owned by universities, with specific foci on the creation and dissemination of genomic data.
* Developed and taught upper-level law course on Intellectual Property Licensing.
* Studied the development of the BioPerl language, and it's involvement with synthetic biology.
* Work both independently and collaboratively to produce and publish academic research, and engage in periodic academic conferences and meetings to present findings.

EDUCATION

**Duke university Graduate School** Durham, NC

M.S., Biomedical Engineering,December 2004

**Duke university School of Law** Durham, NC

J.D., Cum Laude,May 2003

**Carnegie Mellon University** Pittsburgh, PA

B.S., Biology, May 2000: Concentration in Computational Biology; Minor in Chemistry; Minor in Policy and Management

PROFESSIONAL LICENSES

**Wyoming Licensed Attorney**, #8-7039

**North Carolina Licensed Attorney**, #31468

**Licensed before the United States Patent and Trademark Office**, #52782

**North Carolina Real Estate Commission**, #250323 (inactive)

ARTICLES & PUBLICATIONS

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