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***CURRICULUM VITAE***

**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

- University of Michigan, Stephen M. Ross School of Business, Ann Arbor, Michigan**  
Assistant Professor of Business Law July 2023-present
- University of Colorado School of Law, Boulder, Colorado**  
Adjunct Professor of Law January 2019-December 2022
- University of Denver Sturm College of Law, Denver, Colorado**  
Adjunct Professor of Law August 2020-December 2022

**EDUCATION**

- University of Michigan Law School, Ann Arbor, Michigan**  
Juris Doctor, *magna cum laude*, 2012
- Cornell University, College of Architecture, Art & Planning, Ithaca, NY**  
Master of Regional Planning, 2008
- Cornell University, College of Architecture, Art & Planning, Ithaca, NY**  
Bachelor of Science, Urban and Regional Studies, 2007

**PUBLICATIONS**

**ARTICLES**

- Brian J. Connolly, *The Black Box of Single-Family Zoning Reform*, 65 B.C. L. REV. (forthcoming 2024).
- Brian J. Connolly, *Sign and Advertising Regulation After City of Austin v. Reagan National Advertising: Lessons for Practitioners and Questions for Academics*, 52 URB. LAW. 239 (2023).
- Brian J. Connolly et al, *Tackling the Affordability Crisis in the West: The Colorado Housing Affordability Project and the Challenge of Zoning Reform*, 58 IDAHO L. REV. 513 (2022).
- Brian J. Connolly, *Creating Missing Middle Housing Through State and Local Zoning Reform*, WESTERN PLANNER (Sept. 2022).

- Brian J. Connolly & David A. Brewster, *Building A More Equitable Land Use Regulatory System: Toward a Twenty-First-Century Zoning Enabling Act*, 29 J. AFF. HOUSING & CMTY. DEV. L. 493 (2021).
- Brian J. Connolly & David A. Brewster, *Modern Family: Zoning and the Non-Nuclear Living Arrangement*, 37 ZONING PRACTICE NO. 5 (May 2020).
- Brian J. Connolly et al, *Land Use Applications: Putting The Petition Clause In Context*, 42 ZONING & PLAN. L. REP. (Sept. 2019).
- Brian J. Connolly, *Takings Precedent Overruled*, PLANNING (Vol. 85, No. 8, Aug./Sept. 2019).
- Brian J. Connolly & Vincent P. Forcinito, *A Planning Primer on Private Restrictive Covenants*, PLANNING (Vol. 85, No. 5, May 2019).
- Brian J. Connolly, Reed, *Rembrandt, and Wright: Free Speech Considerations in Zoning Regulation of Art and Architecture*, 41 ZONING & PLAN. L. REP. (Dec. 2018).
- Brian J. Connolly & David A. Brewster, *Takings Decision to be Reversed?*, PLANNING (Vol. 84, No. 11, Dec. 2018)
- Brian J. Connolly, J. Thomas Macdonald, & Chelsea M. Marx, *Down With Speech Regulation? Assessing the Legal and Practical Implications of Janus and National Institute of Family & Life Advocates for States and Local Governments*, STATE & LOCAL LAW NEWS (Vol. 42, No. 1, Fall 2018).
- Brian J. Connolly, *100 Years On, Housing Discrimination Persists*, PLANNING (Vol. 83, No. 10, Nov. 2017).
- Brian J. Connolly, *Understanding the First Amendment Limitations on Government Regulation of Artwork*, STATE & LOCAL LAW NEWS (Vol. 40, No. 2, Winter 2017).
- Brian J. Connolly, *Promise Unfulfilled? Planning, Zoning, and Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing*, 48 URB. LAW. 785 (2016).
- Brian J. Connolly & Matthew S. Bender, *After Reed, Cities Face New Challenges in Addressing Homelessness*, PLANNING (Vol. 82, No. 9, Oct. 2016).
- Brian J. Connolly, *RMLUI Legal Corner: Reed v. Town of Gilbert, Assessing the Impact One Year Later*, WESTERN PLANNER (Vol. 37, No. 3, Jul./Aug. 2016), at 7.
- Brian J. Connolly & Alan C. Weinstein, *Sign Regulation After Reed: Suggestions for Coping With Legal Uncertainty*, 47 URB. LAW. 569 (2015).
- Brian J. Connolly, *Supreme Court Upholds 'Disparate Impact'*, PLANNING (Vol. 81, No. 8, Aug./Sept. 2015), at 12.
- Brian J. Connolly, *U.S. Supreme Court Reiterates First Amendment Requires Content Neutral Sign Regulations*, 33 PLAN. & ZONING NEWS, NO. 9, Jul. 2015, AT 2.
- Brian J. Connolly & Dwight H. Merriam, *Planning and Zoning for Group Homes: Local Government Obligations and Liability Under the Fair Housing Amendments Act*, 47 URB. LAW. 225 (2015).
- Brian J. Connolly & Dwight H. Merriam, *The Promise and Challenge of Planning and Zoning for Group Homes*, 38 ZONING & PLAN. L. REP., NO. 2 (2015).
- Brian J. Connolly, Commentary, *Supreme Court Preview: Reed v. Town of Gilbert to Address Content Neutrality in Sign Regulation*, 66 PLAN. & ENVTL. L. 4 (2014)
- Brian J. Connolly, *U.S. Supreme Court Deals Setback to Some Rail-Trails in the West*, PLAN. & ZONING NEWS (Vol. 32, No. 9, Mar. 2014), at 6-7.

- Brian J. Connolly, *Decision To Know: Utility Air Regulatory Group v. Environmental Protection Agency*, 66 PLAN. & ENVTL. L. 10 (2014)
- Brian J. Connolly, *Supreme Court to Review Validity of ‘Effects Tests’ in Fair Housing Litigation*, COLO. REAL ESTATE J., Oct. 16, 2013, at 18C.
- Brian J. Connolly, *Cell Tower Case Clarifies Agency Powers*, PLAN. & ENVTL. L., SEPT. 2013, AT 10.
- Brian J. Connolly, *Environmental Aesthetics and Free Speech: Toward a Consistent Content Neutrality Standard for Outdoor Sign Regulation*, 2 MICH. J. ENVTL. & ADMIN. L. 185 (2012)

## **BOOKS**

- BRIAN J. CONNOLLY, ED., LOCAL GOVERNMENT, LAND USE, AND THE FIRST AMENDMENT: PROTECTING FREE SPEECH AND EXPRESSION (American Bar Association, 2017)
- BRIAN J. CONNOLLY & DWIGHT H. MERRIAM, GROUP HOMES: STRATEGIES FOR EFFECTIVE AND DEFENSIBLE PLANNING AND REGULATION (American Bar Association, 2014).
- BRIAN J. CONNOLLY & MARK WYCKOFF, MICHIGAN SIGN GUIDEBOOK: THE LOCAL PLANNING & REGULATION OF SIGNS (Scenic Michigan, 2012; 2d Ed., 2020).

## **BOOK CHAPTERS**

- Brian J. Connolly et al, *Chapter 2: Zoning*, in DONALD L. ELLIOTT, ED., COLORADO LAND PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT LAW (Colo. Bar Association, 2021).
- Brian J. Connolly, *Government Regulation of Art and Architecture*, in BRIAN J. CONNOLLY, ED., LOCAL GOVERNMENT, LAND USE, AND THE FIRST AMENDMENT: PROTECTING FREE SPEECH AND EXPRESSION (American Bar Association, 2017).

## **RESEARCH REPORTS**

- BRIAN J. CONNOLLY, WESTCHESTER CNTY. DEP’T OF PLANNING., LAND USE IN WESTCHESTER: A DETAILED LOOK AT EXISTING CONDITIONS AND DEVELOPMENT TRENDS (2010), *available at* <http://planning.westchestergov.com/publications>.
- BRIAN J. CONNOLLY, WESTCHESTER CNTY. DEP’T OF PLANNING, WESTCHESTER COUNTY DATABOOK (2010 ed.), *available at* <http://www.westchestergov.com/databook>.

## **SELECTED PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED TALKS**

- Brian J. Connolly, *The Black Box of Single-Family Zoning Reform*, LunchUP Seminar Presentation at Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, University of Michigan (Mar. 2024)
- Brian J. Connolly, *The Fairly Debatable Incentive Structure of Land-Use Appeals*, Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute, Cheever Academic Workshop, Denver, CO (Mar. 2024)
- Brian J. Connolly, Arthur C. Nelson, Brian Duffany & Ashleigh Kanat, *Exactions Are Back at the Supreme Court*, Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute Annual Conference, Denver, CO (Mar. 2024)

- Brian J. Connolly, Vivek Sah, Mark Falcone, Luke Teater & Daniel Smith, *Financing Housing to Create Access*, Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute Annual Conference, Denver, CO (Mar. 2024)
- Brian J. Connolly, *The Black Box of Single-Family Zoning Reform*, AALS Annual Conference, Washington, D.C. (Jan. 2024)
- Brian J. Connolly, Jennifer Bragar & Toni Jackson, *Partnering With Local Governments*, ABA Forum on Affordable Housing and Community Development Law, New Orleans, La. (Oct. 2023)
- Brian J. Connolly, *City of Austin v. Reagan National Advertising, Inc.*, ABA Section of State and Local Government Fall Conference, Portland, Ore. (Sept. 2022)
- Brian J. Connolly, *Meeting the Housing Affordability Challenge: Making the Case for State and Local Zoning Reform*, Arizona Land Use Update (keynote address), Tempe, Ariz. (June 2022)
- Brian J. Connolly, *Growth in Other Cities & Lessons Learned*, Idaho Law Review Symposium, “Boomtown! Growth and a Clash of Identity in the American West,” online (Apr. 2022)
- Brian J. Connolly & John M. Baker, *Signs and SCOTUS: Reviewing its New Billboard Decision*, American Planning Association National Planning Conference, San Diego, Calif. (Apr. 2022)
- Brian J. Connolly, *Zoning and Planning for Housing Affordability*, Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute Housing Workshop, online (Mar. 2022)
- Brian J. Connolly, *Sign Regulation*, Michigan Association of Planning annual conference, online (Oct. 2021)
- Brian J. Connolly, *City of Austin v. Reagan National Advertising, Inc.*, American Planning Association Policy and Advocacy Conference, online (Sept. 2021)
- Brian J. Connolly, *A Brief History of Affordable Housing in the United States*, National Association for County Community and Economic Development conference, online (Sept. 2021)
- Brian J. Connolly, *Update on Housing Affordability Legislation and Regulation*, ABA Section of Real Property, Trusts & Estates, Land Use & Environmental Group, online (May 2021)
- Brian J. Connolly, Don Elliott, Heidi Aggeler & Dan Pontius, *Fair Housing Mandates are Alive and Well*, National Conference of the American Planning Association, online (May 2021)
- Brian J. Connolly & Mary Ellen Bench, *Municipal Responses to the Housing Affordability Challenge*, IMLA Mid-Year Seminar, online (Apr. 2021)
- Brian J. Connolly (with various panelists), *Affordable Housing and Zoning Workshop*, Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute Annual Conference, online (Mar. 2021)
- Brian J. Connolly, *Update on Fair Housing Obligations for Local Governments*, IMLA Webinar (Jan. 2021)
- Brian J. Connolly, Heidi Aggeler & Travis Parker, *Residential Growth Limits in Colorado*, APA Colorado Chapter Conference, online (Oct. 2020)
- Brian J. Connolly & Heidi Aggeler, *Housing and Racial Bias*, Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute Ideas RoundUp, online (Aug. 2020)

- Brian J. Connolly, Lisa Alexander, Sara Bronin & Kellen Zale, *Housing for Diversity: Ending Segregation Through Zoning*, American Planning Association webinar (Jul. 2020)
- Brian J. Connolly, Don Elliott & Molly Mowery, *Planning for Climate Change: Practical Strategies for Local Governments*, Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute Annual Conference, Denver, Colo. (Mar. 2020)
- Brian J. Connolly, Dwight Merriam, Steven Polin, and Steve Elkins, *Group Homes For Those In Recovery: Recent Developments and Understanding What Stakeholders Want*, Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute Annual Conference, Denver, Colo. (Mar. 2020)
- Brian J. Connolly, Jessie Lawrence, Sarah Rockwell, & J. Thomas Macdonald, *Exactions in the Climate Change Era*, Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute Annual Conference, Denver, Colo. (Mar. 2020)
- Brian J. Connolly, *Tips and Defenses to FHA Violations*, IMLA Webinar (Mar. 2020)
- Brian J. Connolly, *Sign Regulation After Reed*, CLE International Land Use Law Conference, Denver, Colo. (Dec. 2019)
- Brian J. Connolly & Bobby Durkee, *Fine-Tuning Your Sign Ordinance: Legal and Practical Principles*, Michigan Association of Planning Annual Conference, Kalamazoo, Mich. (Sept. 2019)
- Brian J. Connolly, *Fair Housing: The Law, Local Ordinances, and Funding Issues*, IMLA Webinar (Jul. 2019)
- Brian J. Connolly, Matt Goebel & Matt Seubert, *Everything Old Is New Again: Legal and Practical Approaches to Nonconformities*, National Conference of the American Planning Association, San Francisco, Calif. (Apr. 2019)
- Brian J. Connolly, Chris Shears, Nore Winter, Don Brandes & Analiese Hock, *Achieving Aesthetic Excellence: Zoning & Design Review Requirements and Processes*, Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute Annual Conference, Denver, Colo. (Mar. 2019)
- Brian J. Connolly, Andrew Peters, Tracy Weil & Stephen Wilson, *Public Places, Private Messages: How the First Amendment Shapes Street Art and Advertising*, Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute Annual Conference, Denver, Colo. (Mar. 2019)
- Brian J. Connolly, Don Elliott, Victoria Polidoro & Natalie Quinn, *A Sign (Code) of the Times*, Land Use Law Center Annual Conference, White Plains, N.Y. (Dec. 2018)
- Brian J. Connolly, *Regulatory Takings and Exactions*, CLE International Land Use Law Conference, Denver, Colo. (Nov. 2018)
- Brian J. Connolly, Michael Allen & Patricia Link, *Land Use: A Local Government's Obligations Under the Fair Housing Act*, IMLA Annual Conference, Houston, Tex. (Oct. 2018)
- Brian J. Connolly and Tim Cox, *Planning By Direct Democracy: Initiative and Referendum*, Annual Conference of the Colorado Chapter of the American Planning Ass'n, Keystone, Colorado (Oct. 2018)
- Brian J. Connolly, *Entitlements for the Long Term: The Intricacies of Vested Rights in Colorado*, Colo. Bar Ass'n Real Estate Symposium, Vail, Colo. (Jul. 2018)
- Brian J. Connolly, *Sober Living Homes and the Law*, Colo. County Attorneys' Ass'n Annual Conference, Grand Junction, Colo. (Jun. 2018)
- Brian J. Connolly, *Reed: Practical Strategies, Three Years Later*, Ariz. State Bar Land Use Update, Tempe, Ariz. (Jun. 2018)

- Brian J. Connolly, Evelyn Campo, Alexandra Carter & Frank Duke, *Drafting Content Neutral Sign Codes*, National Conference of the American Planning Ass'n, New Orleans, La. (Apr. 2018)
- Brian J. Connolly, David Callies, Don Elliott, & Edwin Voss, *After Inclusive Communities: Disparate Impact Revisited*, National Conference of the American Planning Ass'n, New Orleans, La. (Apr. 2018)
- Brian J. Connolly, Sagar Shah, Denise Harris & Brandon Marshall, *Opioid/Heroin Crisis and Land Use*, National Conference of the American Planning Ass'n, New Orleans, La. (Apr. 2018)
- Brian J. Connolly, Erin Clark, Justin Pidot, and Don Elliott, *Relevant Parcel Analysis and Murr: Understanding the Supreme Court's Latest Takings Case*, Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute Annual Conference, Denver, Colo. (Mar. 2018)
- Brian J. Connolly, *Zoning, Aesthetics, and the First Amendment: New Challenges to Old Problems*, National CLE Conference, Vail, Colorado (Jan. 2018)
- Brian J. Connolly, Evan Seeman, and Dan Bolin, *Special Topics in Planning and the First Amendment: Signs, Adult Businesses, Religious Land Uses, and More*, APA Planning and Law Division Webcast (Dec. 2017)
- Brian J. Connolly, *Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing: Unfulfilled Promise?*, University of Detroit Mercy Law School Symposium, Detroit, Mich. (Nov. 2017)
- Brian J. Connolly, Jerry Hicks, Tom Macdonald, Kevin O'Neill & Ashley Scott, *First Amendment Review: Public Forum and Government Speech*, American Bar Ass'n Webinar (Oct. 2017)
- Brian J. Connolly, Don Elliott & Marcus McAskin, *Takings Law Review: Murr v. Wisconsin and Relevant Parcel Analysis*, Annual Conference of the Colorado Chapter of the American Planning Ass'n, Telluride, Colorado (Oct. 2017)
- Brian J. Connolly & Eric Heil, *Vested Rights and Development Agreements: What Planners Should Know*, Annual Conference of the Colorado Chapter of the American Planning Ass'n, Telluride, Colorado (Oct. 2017)
- Brian J. Connolly & Tonya Haas-Davidson, *The Sobering Truth About Sober Living Homes*, Colorado Municipal League Annual Conference, Breckenridge, Colorado (Jun. 2017).
- Brian J. Connolly, Evan J. Seeman, David S. Silverman & Brian R. Smith, *Real Estate Law for Planners*, National Conference of the American Planning Ass'n, New York, New York (May 2016)
- Brian J. Connolly & Alan C. Weinstein, *Planners and the Public Realm*, National Conference of the American Planning Ass'n, New York, New York (May 2016)
- Brian J. Connolly, Evan J. Seeman & Noel W. Sterrett, *Planning and Zoning for First Amendment-Protected Land Uses*, National Conference of the American Planning Ass'n, New York, New York (May 2016)
- Brian J. Connolly, Anne Castle & Beorn A. Courtney, *Homes on the (Front) Range: Residential Development and Assured Water Supply Laws in the American West*, American Bar Ass'n, Section of Real Property, Trusts, and Estates Symposium, Denver, Colo. (Apr. 2017)

- Brian J. Connolly, Cameron Artigue & J. Thomas Macdonald, *Land Use and the First Amendment After Reed: A Case Law Update*, Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute Annual Conference, Denver, Colo. (Mar. 2017)
- Brian J. Connolly, Matt Goebel & Richard K. Mahrle, *Untangling Construction Defects: Consumer Protection, Affordable Housing & Planning*, Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute Annual Conference, Denver, Colo. (Mar. 2017)
- Brian J. Connolly, Chris Duerksen, Heidi Aggeler & Craig Richardson, *Full House: Tuning up Your Land Use Regulations to Promote Housing Choices*, Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute Annual Conference, Denver, Colo. (Mar. 2017)
- Brian J. Connolly, *Speech Regulation in a Post-Reed World*, National CLE Conference, Snowmass, Colorado (Jan. 2017)
- Brian J. Connolly, *Speech Regulation in a Post-Reed World*, CLE International Land Use Law Conference, Denver, Colo. (Nov. 2016)
- Brian J. Connolly & Matt Goebel, *What's All the Buzz About Construction Defects?*, Annual Conference of the Colorado Chapter of the American Planning Ass'n, Colorado Springs, Colorado (Oct. 2016)
- Brian J. Connolly, Donald L. Elliott & Todd C. Messenger, *Defining "Sign" and Other Pesky Sign Regulation Problems*, Annual Conference of the Colorado Chapter of the American Planning Ass'n, Colorado Springs, Colorado (Oct. 2016)
- Brian J. Connolly, Sorell E. Negro, Kirsten Clanton & Joseph W. Mead, *Panhandling & Solicitation: Understanding the First Amendment Implications*, American Bar Ass'n Webinar (Jun. 2016)
- Brian J. Connolly & Donald L. Elliott, FAICP, *The New World of Municipal Sign Codes*, Colorado Municipal League Annual Conference, Vail, Colorado (Jun. 2016).
- Brian J. Connolly & Susan L. Trevarthen, *Practical Strategies for Speech Regulation in a Post-Reed World*, International Municipal Lawyers Ass'n Mid-Year Seminar, Washington, D.C. (Apr. 2016)
- Brian J. Connolly, Alan C. Weinstein & Brian R. Smith, *Planning As If Black Lives Matter*, National Conference of the American Planning Ass'n, Phoenix, Arizona (Apr. 2016)
- Brian J. Connolly, David L. Callies, FAICP, Edwin P. Voss & Donald L. Elliott, FAICP, *Inclusive Communities and the Fair Housing Act*, National Conference of the American Planning Ass'n, Phoenix, Arizona (Apr. 2016)
- Brian J. Connolly, *Fair Housing in Big Cities*, Big City Planning Directors Institute, National Conference of the American Planning Ass'n, Phoenix, Arizona (Apr. 2016)
- Brian J. Connolly, David L. Callies, FAICP & Justin Pidot, *2015 Supreme Court Review: Signs, Fair Housing, Takings and Clean Air*, Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute Annual Conference (Mar. 2016)
- Brian J. Connolly, Arthur C. Nelson, FAICP & Dwight H. Merriam, FAICP, *Housing in the West: Looking Backward and Forward*, Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute Annual Conference (Mar. 2016)
- Brian J. Connolly, Heidi Aggeler & Donald L. Elliott, FAICP, *Does HUD Understand Us? Applying Fair Housing Requirements*, Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute Annual Conference (Mar. 2016)

- Brian J. Connolly, John M. Baker, Susan L. Trevarthen, FAICP, Daniel R. Mandelker, FAICP, & Dwight H. Merriam, FAICP, *Signs*, Int'l Municipal Lawyers Ass'n Webinar (Feb. 2016).
- Brian J. Connolly, *What's Going On With Fair and Affordable Housing? Legal Issues and Analysis*, National CLE Conference, Vail, Colorado (Jan. 2016)
- Brian J. Connolly, Heidi Aggeler, Tyler Downs & Cris White, *Fair and Affordable Housing: Have We Made a Dent?* CLE International Land Use Law Conference (Dec. 2015)
- Brian J. Connolly & Donald L. Elliott, FAICP, *Sign Regulation After Reed v. Town of Gilbert: Strategies for Legal and Planning Practice*, Otten Johnson/Clarion Associates Workshop, Denver, Colorado (Nov. 2015)
- Brian J. Connolly & Donald L. Elliott, FAICP, *The Law of AFFH: Legal Background and Practical Tips*, Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing Summit, Denver, Colorado (Nov. 2015)
- Brian J. Connolly, *Reed v. Town of Gilbert: What it Means for Local Sign Regulation*, Douglas County Managers Meeting, Parker, Colorado (Nov. 2015)
- Brian J. Connolly, *How the Supreme Court Has Shaped First Amendment Issues for Local Governments: Reed v. Town of Gilbert*, Annual Conference of the International Municipal Lawyers Ass'n, Las Vegas, Nevada (Oct. 2015)
- Brian J. Connolly, Todd Messenger & Derek Holcomb, *New Directions for Sign Regulations*, Annual Conference of the Colorado Chapter of the American Planning Ass'n, Steamboat Springs, Colorado (Oct. 2015)
- Brian J. Connolly, David L. Callies, FAICP, Donald L. Elliott, FAICP & Steven Polin, *Housing and Takings: A Look at the Supreme Court's Inclusive Communities Project and Horne Decisions*, American Planning Ass'n Planning & Law Division Webinar (Aug. 2015)
- Brian J. Connolly, John M. Baker, Daniel R. Mandelker & Susan L. Trevarthen, *Understanding Reed v. Town of Gilbert*, American Planning Ass'n Planning & Law Division Webinar (Jul. 2015)
- Brian J. Connolly, John M. Baker & Susan L. Trevarthen, *The New World of Sign Regulation: Understanding the Supreme Court's Reed v. Town of Gilbert Decision*, American Bar Ass'n Webinar (Jul. 2015)
- Brian J. Connolly, Kenneth Tinkler, James E.A. Slaton, Sorrell E. Negro & Jennifer M. Bragar, *Commercial Real Estate Zoning and Land Use, Fundamentals of Commercial Real Estate Series*, American Bar Association Webinar (May 2015)
- Brian J. Connolly, John M. Baker & Alan C. Weinstein, *Content Neutral Sign Regulation After Reed v. Town of Gilbert*, National Conference of the American Planning Association, Seattle, Washington (Apr. 2015)
- Brian J. Connolly, Heidi Aggeler & Mitzi Barker, *What's Fair in Fair Housing?*, National Conference of the American Planning Association, Seattle, Washington (Apr. 2015)
- Brian J. Connolly, Cameron Artigue & Karen Aviles, *Exactions and Impact Fees: Tips for Practitioners in the Post-Koontz Era*, Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute Annual Conference, Denver, Colorado (Mar. 2015)



- Brian J. Connolly, John M. Baker & Susan L. Trevarthen, *Content Neutrality at the U.S. Supreme Court: A Reed v. Town of Gilbert Update and Oral Argument Analysis*, American Bar Association Webinar (Jan. 2015)
- Brian J. Connolly, *Exactions in Practice*, National CLE Conference, Vail, Colorado (Jan. 2015)
- Brian J. Connolly, *Federal Fair Housing Act and Group Homes*, CLE International Land Use Law Conference, Denver, Colorado (Dec. 2014)
- Brian J. Connolly & Don Elliott, FAICP, *Fair Housing, Affordable Housing, and Local Planning and Zoning: Understanding the Obligations and Reducing Your Community's Legal Risk*, Planning & Law Division Webinar (Nov. 2014)
- Brian J. Connolly, Andrew Firestone & Marcus McAskin, *Application Malfunction Junction: Making the Process Work (Better) for Planners and Developers*, Colorado Chapter of the American Planning Association Conference, Crested Butte, Colorado (Oct. 2014)
- Brian J. Connolly, Don Elliott, FAICP & Heidi Aggeler, *Watch Out: The Feds Are Paying More Attention to Fair Housing!*, Colorado Chapter of the American Planning Association Conference, Crested Butte, Colorado (Oct. 2014)
- Brian J. Connolly, Steven Polin, Daniel Mandelker & Dwight Merriam, *Planning and Siting Group Homes: What Advocates, Local Governments and Neighbors Need to Know*, American Bar Association Webinar (Jun. 2014)
- Brian J. Connolly, Alan Weinstein & Randal Morrison, *Coming To Grips With Content Neutrality*, National Conference of the American Planning Association, Atlanta, Georgia (Apr. 2014)
- Brian J. Connolly, Don Elliott, FAICP & Mary Kay Peck, FAICP, *Can Planners and Developers Learn to Get Along Better?*, National Conference of the American Planning Association, Atlanta, Georgia (Apr. 2014)
- Brian J. Connolly & Don Elliott, FAICP, *Understanding and Navigating the Contemporary Fair Housing Challenge*, National Conference of the American Planning Association, Atlanta, Georgia (Apr. 2014)
- Brian J. Connolly, David Hickey, Kathryn Hurd, Dawn Jourdan & Alan Weinstein, *Three Approaches To The Regulation of On-Premises Signs*, American Bar Association Webinar (Mar. 2014)
- Brian J. Connolly, Mary Kay Peck & Dominic Mauriello, *Getting To Kum Ba Yah in the Development Process*, Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute Annual Conference, Denver, Colorado (Mar. 2014)
- Brian J. Connolly & Don Elliott, FAICP, *Understanding and Navigating the Contemporary Fair Housing Challenge*, Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute Annual Conference, Denver, Colorado (Mar. 2014)
- Brian J. Connolly, J. Thomas Macdonald, Bill Kyriagis & Bryan Treu, *When It All Goes Wrong, Dynamics of the Land Use Case Workshop*, Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute Annual Conference, Denver, Colorado (Mar. 2014)
- Brian J. Connolly, *The Supreme Court's Takings Cases of 2013*, National CLE Conference, Vail, Colorado (Jan. 2014)
- Brian J. Connolly, *New Developments in the Federal Fair Housing Act*, CLE International Land Use Law Conference, Denver, Colorado (Nov. 2013)

- Brian J. Connolly, Stefanie Sommers & Fred Jarman, *Zoning for Persons With Disabilities*, Colorado Chapter of the American Planning Association Conference, Vail, Colorado (Oct. 2013)
- Brian J. Connolly, Aaron Cook, Steven G. Polin & Roger Waldon, *Zoning for Group Homes*, National Conference of the American Planning Association, Chicago, Illinois (Apr. 2013)
- Brian J. Connolly & Mark A. Wyckoff, *Sign Regulation in Michigan*, training sessions for Michigan municipal officials and attorneys, various locations in Mich. (Jan. 2012-Jan. 2013)
- Brian J. Connolly, *Fair Housing Law in Michigan*, Collaborative Fair Housing Conference, East Lansing, Mich. (Nov. 2012)
- Brian J. Connolly, Randal R. Morrison & Alan C. Weinstein, *New Signs, New Battles: the Modern Constitutional Challenges in Sign Regulation*, National conference of the American Planning Association, Los Angeles, Calif. (Apr. 2012)
- Brian J. Connolly & Mark A. Wyckoff, *Sign Regulation in Michigan*, training sessions for Michigan municipal officials and attorneys, various locations in Mich. (forthcoming Jan. 2012)
- Brian J. Connolly & Mark A. Wyckoff, *Sign Regulation in Michigan*, Annual meeting of the Michigan Association of Municipal Attorneys, Grand Rapids, Mich. (Oct. 2011)
- Brian J. Connolly, *GIS and the Census*, Gallatin School of Individualized Study, New York University, New York, N.Y. (Mar. 2009)

### **AMICUS BRIEFS**

- Brief of Amicus Curiae American Planning Association, *Sheetz v. County of El Dorado*, No. 22-1074 (S. Ct. 2024).
- Brief of Amicus Curiae American Planning Association, *City of Austin v. Reagan National Advertising*, 142 S. Ct. 1464 (2022).

### **AWARDS**

- International Municipal Lawyers Association, Amicus Service Award (2020)
- Jefferson B. Fordham Up & Comer Award, ABA Section of State and Local Government (2018)
- Best Lawyers in America: Land Use and Zoning Law (2021-present)
- Super Lawyers Rising Star: Land Use and Zoning (2016-present)
- Planning Excellence Award for Best Practice, Michigan Association of Planning (2012)
- Michigan Law School First Year Legal Practice Honors (2010)
- Michigan Law School Dean's Scholarship (2010-12)
- Meinig Family Cornell National Scholar (2004-07)

### **SELECTED PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT**

**Otten Johnson Robinson Neff + Ragonetti, P.C., Denver, Colorado**

Shareholder and Director  
Associate

January 2018-June 2023  
April 2013-December 2017

Summer Associate

June-August 2012

Westchester County Department of Planning, *White Plains, New York*  
Planner

July 2008-May 2010

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

### **ADMISSIONS**

- State of Colorado
- State of Michigan
- U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh and Tenth Circuits
- U.S. Supreme Court

### **MEMBERSHIPS**

- Urban Land Institute
- American Planning Association
  - Planning & Law Division (*Chair, 2021-2022; Secretary/Treasurer, 2017-18*)
  - Amicus Committee (*Member, 2019-present*)
- Michigan Association of Planning
  - Law Committee, (*Member, 2023-present*)
- American Bar Association
  - State & Local Government Section (*Co-Chair, Academics Committee, 2023-present; Vice Chair, Land Use Committee, 2018-2021; Publications Oversight Board Member, 2019-present*)
  - Real Property, Trusts and Estates Section
- State Bar of Michigan
  - Real Property Section (*Zoning Committee Member, 2024-present*)

### **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

- Colorado Housing Affordability Project, *Co-Founder and Working Group Member (2020-2023)*
- Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute, *Advisory Board Member (2015-present)*
- National CLE Conference, Environmental Law, Land Use, Energy and Litigation, *Co-Chair (2018-19)*
- Downtown Denver Leadership Program, Class of 2014