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Education

- J.D., State University of New York, University at Buffalo School of Law, Buffalo, New York, (2000)
 - Best in Graduating Class, Evidence
- Joint B.A., cum laude, State University of New York, University at Buffalo School of Law, Buffalo, New York, (1997)
 - English Literature & Psychology

Legal Experience

- President, Tiftickjian Law Firm, (2007-Present)
- Associate Attorney, Fossum, Mastro, Barnes and Stazzone, (2004-2007)
- Deputy District Attorney, 17th Judicial District Attorney's Office, Adams and Broomfield County, (2002-2004)
- Associate Attorney, Brown & Kelly, LLP, Buffalo, New York, (2000-2001)

Bar & Court Admissions

- United States District Court for the District of Colorado, (2004)
- United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit, (2004)
- State of Colorado, (2001)
- State of New York, (2000)

Awards

- Best Lawyers in America: Lawyer of the Year, Best Lawyers in America, (2023)

- Best Lawyers in America: DUI/DWI Defense, Best Lawyers in America, (2016-2023)
- Best Law Firms Tier 1 Ranking DUI Defense, Best Lawyers in America, (2021-Present)
- Colorado Super Lawyer, Super Lawyers Magazine, (2015-Present)
- Preeminent AV® Rating, Martindale-Hubbell, (2011-Present)
- 10/10 Superb, AVVO, (2010-Present)
- Client's Choice Award, AVVO, (2016-2017, 2019)
- People's Choice Best DUI Lawyer, Law Week Colorado, (2013-2017, 2019-2021)
- Barrister's Best DUI Lawyer, Law Week Colorado, (2012-2013, 2015-2016, 2018)
- Best Litigators Finalist, Law Week Colorado, (2015)
- Colorado Super Lawyers Rising Star, Super Lawyers Magazine, (2010-2014)
- "Compleat" Lawyer Award, Law Week Colorado, (2012)
- Adelbert Moot Award (Best in Graduating Class in Evidence), State University of New York at Buffalo School of Law, (2000)

Memberships

- National College for DUI Defense
 - Faculty, (2018-2022)
 - Colorado State Delegate, (2016-2018)
 - Sustaining Member, (2012-Present)
- Adams County Drug Court Program, 17th Judicial District
 - Legal Advisor, (2013-Present)
- Colorado Criminal Defense Bar
 - President, (2018-2019)
 - Board of Directors, (2013-2019)
 - Vice President, (2017)
 - Treasurer, (2016)
 - Secretary, (2015)
 - Chair, Professional Development Committee, (2014)
 - Lifetime Member, (2012-Present)
 - Adams County Chair (2012-Present)
- Colorado Criminal Defense Institute
 - President, (2017-2018)
- Adams/Broomfield Bar Association
 - Chair, Criminal Law Section, (2011-2016)
- Colorado Bar Association
 - Member, (2004-Present)
- Denver Bar Association
 - Member, (2004-Present)

Presentations

- SPEAKER, From the Trenches: A Panel Presentation of Practical Advice and Traps to Avoid, Colorado Bar Association - Successfully Launching and Running Your Own Practice: The Essential Guide 20th Annual Program, (2021)

- PROGRAM CHAIR, DUI & DUID: Advanced Practice: Updates for DUI and DUID Cases, Colorado Bar Association, (2019)
- SPEAKER, Enter the Dragon: Legal Updates and New Strategies for Colorado DUI Cases, Colorado Criminal Defense Bar – Annual DUI Conference, (2019)
- SPEAKER, Work-Life Balance, Sotomayor Inn of Court, (2019)
- SPEAKER, The Ethical Practice of Criminal Law in Denver Courts, Denver Bar Association, Bench-Bar Committee Courtroom Chat Series, Colorado Bar Association, Successfully Launching and Running Your Own Practice: The Essential Guide 19th Annual Program, (2019)
- SPEAKER, What If It Becomes Legal in My State? Navigating Through the Haze of Prescription and Legalized Marijuana, National College for DUI Defense Winter Session, (2018)
- SPEAKER, From the Trenches: A Panel Presentation of Practical Advice and Traps to Avoid, Colorado Bar Association - Successfully Launching and Running Your Own Practice: The Essential Guide 20th Annual Program, (2018)
- SPEAKER, Legal Ethics, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) - American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators Workshop, (2018)
- SPEAKER, Exploring the Ethics of Handling the Media in a High-Profile Case, Colorado Criminal Defense Bar Annual DUI Conference, (2018)
- SPEAKER, Cannabis & DUID Cases, Oklahoma Criminal Defense Lawyers Association, (2017)
- SPEAKER, Ethics in Business and Law, Colorado Criminal Defense Bar - Criminal Defense Ethics Extravaganza, (2016)
- PROGRAM CHAIR, Jury Selection: Winning Cases Before the Bad Evidence Comes In, DUI & DUID: Advanced Practice, Colorado Bar Association, (2016)
- SPEAKER, Hot Topics in Employment Litigation - Managing High-profile Cases, Implicit Bias & Other Challenges, Work/Life Balance, Colorado Bar Association, (2016)
- SPEAKER, Strategies in Handling the DWI Marijuana Case, DWI: Dark Side of the Moon, New Mexico Criminal Defense Lawyers Association, (2016)
- SPEAKER, Introduction to Felony DUI: The Law and Penalties, Felony DUI: The Law and Penalties, Colorado Bar Association, (2015)
- SPEAKER, Pharmacology of Marijuana and Where the Government Stands on Impairment; DUI Defense Strategies for DUID Cases, Changes to DUI Defense in the Wake of Marijuana Legalization, Alaska Bar Association, (2015)
- PROGRAM CHAIR, Ethics Update in DUI Defense, DUI Defense: Nuts and Bolts, Colorado Bar Association, (2014)
- SPEAKER, Ethics Overview in DUI Defense, CCDB Roundtable: DUI Law, Colorado Criminal Defense Bar, (2014)
- SPEAKER, Recreational Marijuana, CLE International, (2014)
- SPEAKER, Ethics Update in DUI Defense, Lorman Seminars, Lorman Education Services, (2014)
- SPEAKER, Ethical and Effective Marketing for the Criminal Defense Attorney, Colorado Criminal Defense Bar, (2014)

- SPEAKER, Work-Life Balance, Colorado Criminal Defense Bar, (2013)
- SPEAKER, Anatomy of a DUI Case, CBA - CLE Home Studies, Colorado Bar Association, (2013)
- PANELIST, Practice Panel Roundtable, Hanging Your Shingle Practice Panel, Colorado Bar Association, (2013-2015)
- SPEAKER, Navigating the New DUI Laws, Colorado Bar Association, (2013)
- SPEAKER, Navigating the New DUI Laws, Colorado Criminal Defense Bar: Weld County Chapter, (2013)
- SPEAKER, Navigating the New DUI Laws, Jefferson County Bar Association, (2013)
- SPEAKER, Navigating the New DUI Laws, Adams County Bar Association, (2013)
- SPEAKER, Navigating the New DUI Laws, Colorado Public Defender's Office: Arapahoe/Douglas County, (2013)
- SPEAKER, Closing Arguments: How to Persuade (Almost) Anyone, Colorado Alternate Defense Counsel, (2013)
- SPEAKER, Effective and Ethical Marketing, Cancun, Mexico Warhorse Marketing Summit (2013)
- SPEAKER, Ethics Update, Annual DUI Seminar, Colorado Criminal Defense Bar, (2012)
- SPEAKER, Dealing with the Non-Testifying Client in Jury Selection, Knowledge in DUI Defense Symposium, Cambridge, MA, (2012)
- SPEAKER, Drugged Driving Defense 101, Brighton Public Defender's Office, (2012)
- SPEAKER, DUI Driver's License Revocations, Adams County Bar Association, (2011)

Publications

- INTERVIEW, Jay Tiftickjian: Top Lawyers: Attorney Jay Tiftickjian of Tiftickjian Law Firm on the 5 Things You Need to Become a Top Lawyer in Your Specific Field of Law, Authority Magazine, (2022)
- INTERVIEW, Jay Tiftickjian: 5 Things I Wish Someone Told Me When I First Became an Attorney, Authority Magazine, (2022)
- CO-EDITOR, Medicolegal Aspects of Marijuana: Michigan Edition, Lawyers and Judges Publishing, (2019)
- CO-EDITOR, Medicolegal Aspects of Marijuana: Arizona Edition, Lawyers and Judges Publishing, (2018)
- AUTHOR, EDITOR, Colorado DUI Defense: The Law and Practice, 2nd Edition, Lawyers and Judges Publishing, (2017)
- INTERVIEW, Hickenlooper has no plans to investigate breathalyzer tests, NBC 9 News, (2017)
- INTERVIEW, Felony DUI law takes effect, NBC 9 NEWS, (2017)
- CO-EDITOR, Medicolegal Aspects of Marijuana: Washington Edition, Lawyers and Judges Publishing, (2016)
- AUTHOR, The Fallacies of Colorado's DUI-D Laws, Law Week Colorado, (2016)
- INTERVIEW, CBI Lab Mistakes Impact Drunk Driving Cases, CBS Colorado, (2016)
- INTERVIEW, Warrantless DUI blood draws unconstitutional, NBC 9 News, (2016)

- AUTHOR, EDITOR, *Medicolegal Aspects of Marijuana: Colorado Edition*, Lawyers and Judges Publishing, (2015)
- INTERVIEW, *Felony DUI Bill Returns*, Law Week Colorado, (Jan 12, 2015)
- AUTHOR, *Effective and Compassionate DUI Defense*, Super Lawyers Magazine, (2015)
- INTERVIEW, *Studies: Driving High Not as Dangerous*, NBC 9 News, (2015)
- INTERVIEW, *Denver Nuggets Ty Lawson Arrested for Suspicion of DUI*, NBC 9 News (2015)
- INTERVIEW, *DUI Checkpoints Popping Up Across the Metro Area*, ABC 7 News, (2015)
- EDITOR, *Colorado DUI Defense Manual*, Colorado Criminal Defense Bar, (2014)
- INTERVIEW, *St. Paddy's Day Crackdown on Drug Driving*, NBC 9 News, (2014)
- INTERVIEW, *Security to Be Multiplied For 4/20 Smoke Out*, NBC 9 News (2014)
- QUOTED, *Colorado Felony DUI Bill Hearing in Legislature*, CBS 4 News (2014)
- AUTHOR, *Understanding Changes to Colorado DUI Laws: What You Need to Know*, Thomson Reuters, (2014)
- CO-AUTHOR, *CCDB Quick Reference Guide: DUI Revocations and Sentencing*, Colorado Criminal Defense Bar, (2014)
- AUTHOR, *Defending DUI Vehicular Homicide Cases*, Thomson-Reuters/Aspatore, (2013)
- AUTHOR, *The Legality of Search and Seizure in DUI Cases*, Thomson-Reuters/Aspatore, (2013)
- INTERVIEW, *First to Legalize – Marijuana Driving Limit Can Be Confusing*, NBC 9 News, (2013)
- INTERVIEW, *How Will the Marijuana DUI Law Work?* NBC 9 News, (2013)
- INTERVIEW, *State Lab to Stop Blood-Alcohol, Drug Testing*, NBC 9 News, (2013)
- INTERVIEW, *"Summer of Heat" DUI Crackdown*, NBC 9 News, (2013)
- INTERVIEW, *Time Change Comes with Higher Risk Of DUI*, NBC 9 News (2013)
- FEATURED, *Best DUI lawyer People's Choice & Barrister's Best: Jay Tiftickjian*, Law Week Colorado, (2013)
- INTERVIEW, *Blood Lab Shutdown for Allegations of Misconduct*, ABC 7 News, (2013)
- AUTHOR, *Facing a DUI Charge in Colorado: What You Need to Know*, Thomson Reuters Westlaw, (2013)
- QUOTED, *Colorado State Lab Accused of Mishandling Evidence*, New York Times, (June 10, 2013)
- CO-AUTHOR, *Colorado Criminal Defense Bar DUI/DMV Sentence Guide*, Colorado Criminal Defense Bar, (2013)
- FEATURED, QUOTED, *Tiftickjian Law Firm, P.C. DUI Defense: When Art and Science Collide*, Super Lawyers Magazine, (2013)
- AUTHOR, *Forensic Evidence in Criminal Cases*, Thomson-Reuters/Aspatore, (2013)
- AUTHOR, *Jury Selection in Criminal Cases*, Thomson-Reuters/Aspatore, (2013)
- AUTHOR, *Colorado DUI Defense: The Law and Practice*, 1st Edition, Lawyers & Judges Publishing, (2013)
- INTERVIEW, *DUI Warnings – Colorado New Year's Eve 2012* - NBC 9 News, (2012)

- FEATURED, Best DUI lawyer People's Choice & Barrister's Best: Jay Tiftickjian, Law Week Colorado, (2012)
- FEATURED, INTERVIEW, 2012 Compleat Lawyers: Jay Tiftickjian, Law Week Colorado, (2012)
- QUOTED, Holmes Hearing Thursday to Focus on Package, ABC 7 News, (2012)
- INTERVIEW, COMMENTARY, Accused Murderer Now Officially Charged, ABC 7 News, (2012)
- INTERVIEW, Setting Limits – Driving While Stoned, NBC 9 News, (2012)
- FEATURED, QUOTED, Super Lawyers, Tiftickjian Law Firm, P.C., Colorado's Leading DUI Defenders, 5820 Magazine, (2012)
- INTERVIEW, COMMENTARY, Aurora Theater Tragedy, Fox News, (2012)
- AUTHOR, Navigating DUI Drug Cases, Thomson-Reuters/Aspatore, (2012)
- AUTHOR, Defense Strategies for Drug Crimes, Thomson-Reuters/Aspatore, (2012)
- AUTHOR, Trends in DUI Discovery, Thomson Reuters / West, (2012)