

# COLORADO

## JOEL BABCOCK AND MATTHEW CECIL OBTAIN COMPLETE DEFENSE VERDICT FOR HOA



Joel Babcock and Matthew Cecil obtained a complete defense verdict for their HOA client after a three-day bench trial in Larimer County. Plaintiffs claimed the HOA failed to manage and even contributed to surface water runoff onto their property and ground water levels beneath it. They sought over \$100,000 in monetary damages and the equivalent of hundreds of thousands in equitable relief to prevent the natural flow of water over and under their property. Joel and Matt highlighted the many other potential causes for Plaintiffs' alleged water issues and proved the HOA couldn't have been contributing to any surface water runoff or ground water levels as Plaintiffs alleged. The Court found Plaintiffs had failed to show any causal link between the HOA's actions and Plaintiffs' claimed damages and entered judgment in favor of the HOA on all claims, entitling the HOA to recovery of all court costs, expert fees, and attorney's fees.



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