

Troy A. Eid
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The Honorable Troy A. Eid (rhymes with “on your side”) is the United States Attorney for the District of Colorado. He serves as Colorado’s chief federal criminal prosecutor and represents the United States in civil cases where the government is a party to a lawsuit.

Nominated by President Bush, Troy was unanimously confirmed by the United States Senate and took office on August 11, 2006. He is Colorado’s 41st U.S. Attorney since Abraham Lincoln made the first such appointment for the newly created Colorado Territory in 1861.

Troy’s father immigrated to the United States from Egypt in 1957, and Troy is the first Arab-American ever to serve as a presidentially appointed U.S. Attorney. He grew up in Wheat Ridge, Colorado and graduated from Stanford University and the University of Chicago Law School. Troy clerked for the Honorable Edith Jones, Chief Judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, before entering private law practice in Denver in 1992.

Troy later was the chief operating officer and general counsel for what was then the nation’s largest Internet applications technology consortium, leading project teams in North American, Europe and Asia. He also served for five years on former Colorado Governor Bill Owens’ cabinet as Chief Counsel to the Governor and as Secretary for Personnel & Administration.

Returning to law practice in 2003, Troy was a partner in the Denver office of a national law firm, focusing on environmental, energy, technology, and federal Indian law, and was rated as one of America’s best business attorneys by CHAMBERS USA. He is the former Chair of the Colorado Board of Ethics and has served on a dozen state boards, including the commission that reviewed the law enforcement response to the April 1999 mass shootings at Columbine High School.

Admitted to practice law in the courts of Colorado and the Navajo Nation, Troy is a member of the American Law Institute, the Colorado Bar Association, the Federal Bar Association, and the Navajo Nation Bar Association. His publications include “Beyond Oliphant: Strengthening Criminal Justice in Indian Country” (The Federal Lawyer, Vol. 54, Mar.-Apr. 2007) and “Strategic Democracy-Building: How U.S. States Can Help,” co-authored with Bill Owens and published as a chapter in WINNING HEARTS AND MINDS: USING SOFT POWER TO UNDERMINE TERRORIST NETWORKS (Massachusetts Institute of Technology Press, 2003).