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CORT JENSEN RECEIVES AALA EXCELLENCE IN AGRICULTURAL LAW IN GOVERNMENT AWARD



Cort Jensen, attorney, for the Montana Department of Agriculture, received the Excellence in Agricultural Law in Government Service Award from the American Agricultural Law Association (AALA) on November 9, 2019, during the association's annual conference in Washington, D.C.

The AALA's Excellence in Agricultural Law Awards recognizes AALA members for outstanding contributions to the legal profession and the agricultural community. These awards may acknowledge members from professional sectors, including private practice, academia, government and non-governmental organizations.

Cort is the General Counsel for the Montana Department of Agriculture. Cort spearheads the Department's legislative priorities by drafting legislation, testifying before the legislature, and providing legislators with pertinent and sometimes nuanced information. Through these efforts, Cort has significantly shaped Montana's agriculture laws and rules in a way that benefits producers, consumers, and regulators alike. Cort has also been at the forefront of developing Montana's hemp program, and Montana has become both the leading hemp-producing state in the US and one of the only states with a fully federally compliant program. From crafting legislation in a thoughtful, pragmatic and inclusive manner, to developing policy that promotes and protects Montana's number one industry, Cort consistently goes above and beyond the call of duty to ensure the producers and consumers we serve are at the heart of our policies.



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“Cort is an excellent lawyer. His dedication to public service and the state of Montana, as well as to the AALA, make him well deserving of this award,” said AALA president Amber Miller of Crenshaw, Dupree, & Milam, LLP.

Established in 1980, the American Agricultural Law Association is a national professional association serving as the premier association for agricultural law and policy professionals. Its mission is informing and engaging the law and policy professionals who serve all facets of the agricultural and food communities. For more information, visit aglaw-assn.org.