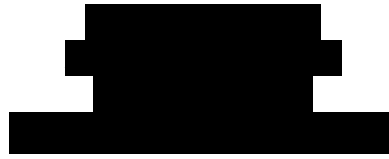


# **BRIAN I. MERRILL**



## **PERSONAL INFORMATION**

- Born September 20, 1961 in Blackfoot, Idaho
- Married to Dena George Merrill since 1987
- Three Children ages 26, 21, and 16
- Languages: English & Portuguese

## **EDUCATION & CERTIFICATIONS**

- B.A. in International Relations, Brigham Young University, 1987
- J.D., University of Maryland School of Law, 1990
- Member, New Mexico Bar Association (1990-1993)
- Member, Utah State Bar Association (1991-present)

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- Payne & Hall law firm, Albuquerque, New Mexico. Area of practice: contract and water rights litigation (1990-92)
- Guide and Trip Leader, Western River Expeditions (1984-87)
- Operations Manager, Western River Expeditions' Utah division (1992-97)
- Chief of Operations, Western River Expeditions (1997-2001)
- President & Chief Executive Officer, Western River Expeditions and its subsidiaries, Canyon Country River Adventures, Inc., Resmark Systems, Inc., Fidelity Leasing, LLC, and Twin Peaks Properties, LLC.(May 2001 – present)
- Member, Utah State Parks & Recreation Boating Advisory Council (1994-2000)
- Board of Directors, America Outdoors Association (1993-present)
- Secretary/Treasurer, America Outdoors Association (1996-98)
- President, America Outdoors Association (1999-2001)
- President, Grand Canyon River Outfitters Association (2002-2005)
- Executive Committee Member, Grand Canyon River Outfitters Association (2005 – Present)
- Board of Directors, Utah Tourism Industry Association, Representing Utah Guides and Outfitters (2011 – Present) currently serving as President.
- Appointed by Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar to the Utah Bureau of Land Management Recreation Resource Advisory Council representing Commercial Recreation, September 2012.
- Member of the Advisory Committee to the Utah Office of Outdoor Recreation September 2013 – present.
- Board of Directors, Utah Office of Tourism. Appointed by Governor Gary Herbert, July 2014.