

Lindsay R.: Literally every kid that's come through my door has been a really good kid with a lot of potential, and helping them reach an outcome that will not materially affect their futures, that's really, really important to me.

Lindsay R.: I started my career in criminal defense in the Denver trial office at the state public offender. I had a case load of 120 misdemeanor cases at any time and quickly realized that talking to people, summarizing and rationalizing information was something that I was good at. I could connect with juries and I won a lot of trials. I tend to be fearless in the courtroom and if I don't think the government's view of a case is right, then oftentimes I think, well, let's just take it to a jury and let's see what a jury thinks. Overall, I learned to trust my instinct.

Lindsay R.: I worked at a law firm that did a lot of education and community outreach, educating youths about their rights, and I became a mother. I had some juvenile cases through my practice and what I realized, through the lens of being a parent myself, is number one, kids make mistakes. Number two, they shouldn't be punished in a way that materially affects them forever.

Lindsay R.: I represented a young man who was nothing short of brilliant, excelled in high school, was accepted to a very prestigious university, and at the very end of his senior year was accused of doing the wrong thing. He lost his admission to this prestigious university and lost a lot of other opportunities along the way, but was exonerated. We resolved the case with a complete dismissal.

Lindsay R.: I think the government tends to overreact and they really want to teach kids a lesson, but I don't always think they do it in the best way or the most appropriate way. Childhood is about growing experiences and those inherently require the making of mistakes. Criminal defense allows you to stand side-by-side with someone, hold their hand through the worst experience of their life, and help them come out on the other side in a better place.