

Agenda

Preparing Marital Settlement Agreements

R. Zaleski

- Assisting with different types of agreements
- Property agreements
 - Child-related agreements
 - Support agreements

Preparing Pleadings and Assisting with Motion Practice

V. McCarthy

- Preparing initial pleadings (complaints, counterclaims and answers)
- Preparing motion pleadings Preparing pleadings requesting temporary relief
- Preparing case information statements

Obtaining and Evaluating Financial Information

T. Stanley

- Identifying relevant information on assets, debts, income and expenses
- Obtaining financial information
- Using financial information questionnaires
 - Using interrogatories, requests for production, deposition testimony, private investigators
 - Valuing assets
- Evaluating the information you have obtained
- Working with accountants and financial experts
- Preparing financial statements

Assisting with Child Custody and Visitation Issues

M. Hartman Lustig

- Current status of custody law in New Jersey
- Obtaining relevant information
- Client interview, custody questionnaires, authorizations for disclosure, using formal discovery
- Working with guardian-ad-litem
- Working with experts
- Drafting and reviewing parenting plans

Enforcing and Modifying Family Law Orders and Decrees

J. Brown Seabrooks

- Implementing divorce decrees and orders
- Preparing and filing the decree
 - Preparing other necessary documents
- Enforcing judgments and orders
- Modifying decrees and orders
- Determining which parts of a decree or order are subject to modification, deciding when to seek modification
- Assisting in modification actions

Handling Ethical Issues in Family Law Practice

M. Del Mauro

- Complying with rules of professional responsibility and ethics guidelines for attorneys and paralegals
- Avoiding conflicts of interest Maintaining client confidentiality
- Avoiding the unauthorized practice of law
- Working with the secretive or dishonest client
- Handling allegations of abuse or neglect
- Zealous vs. over-zealous representation
- Fee agreements, retainers, and collection of unpaid fees

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Learning Objectives

You'll be able to:

Request temporary relief and prepare temporary orders.

Evaluate financial information and prepare financial statements.

Assist with child custody and visitation issues.

Assist with marital settlement agreements, including property, child-related, and support agreements.

Determine which parts of a judgement are subject to modification and discuss when to seek modification.

Handle ethical issues that can arise with secretive or dishonest clients or in cases involving allegations of abuse or neglect.



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Explore marital settlement agreements

Draft pleadings and assist with motion practice

Obtain and evaluate financial information

Review the current state of custody law in New Jersey

Enforce and modify family law orders and judgements

Evaluate ethical issues in family law practice

Continuing Education Credits

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Faculty

Robert M. Zaleski is a partner of The Law Offices of Paone Zaleski & Murphy. His practice focuses on all areas related to divorce and family matters, including custody issues, alimony, child support, division of assets and domestic violence. A substantial portion of his practice is devoted to mediation. Mr. Zaleski is certified by the Supreme Court as a matrimonial law attorney and previously served on the Middlesex County Assignment Judge’s Family Lawyers’ Committee. He is also a member of the Family Law Legal Clinic, Women Helping Women program. Mr. Zaleski is active in the Somerset County, Middlesex County and New Jersey State bar associations. He has served as a member of the Supreme Court of New Jersey District VIII Ethics Committee. He has received numerous awards, including the Martin S. Goldin Family Law Award, and has been named a Super Lawyer by *Thomson Reuters* for the years 2005-2019.

Valerie Jules McCarthy is Counsel in Pashman Stein Walder Hayden, P.C.’s Family Law practice. She handles a variety of family matters involving marital dissolutions, spousal support, equitable distribution of property, civil union dissolutions, post-marital disputes, child custody, child support, domestic violence issues and guardianships. Ms. McCarthy received her B.A. degree from Lehigh University and her J.D. degree from Loyola University New Orleans College of Law. After law school, she served as a judicial law clerk to the Honorable Kenneth J. Grispin, P.J., Superior Court of New Jersey, Family Division, Union County Prior to joining Pashman Stein Walder Hayden, Ms. McCarthy was a family law associate at Kozyra & Hartz, LLC. She has been admitted to the New Jersey and New York Bars.

Tremain L. Stanley is a member with Chiesa Shahinian & Giantomasi PC’s Family Law Group, where she provides more than 20 years of experience as both a litigator and a mediator. She is regularly called upon by individuals engaged in family and matrimonial disputes to mediate and to help negotiate, settle and enforce agreements involving divorce, child support and custody, alimony and domestic violence. In 2015, Ms. Stanley participated in the Supreme Court of New Jersey’s Domestic Violence Pilot Program, which sought to explore the possibility of economic mediation in disputes in which there is a final restraining order. Ms. Stanley received her J.D. degree from Seton Hall University School of Law. Following law school, she clerked for the Honorable Thomas P. Zampino, J.S.C. (retired) of the Superior Court of New Jersey, Essex County, Chancery Division, Family Part.

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Mollie F. Hartman Lustig is Of Counsel at Chasan Lamparello Mallon & Cappuzzo, PC. She practices civil law with a focus on employment, governmental and family law. Ms. Lustig represents family clients in separation and divorce matters, custody issues, child support/alimony, paternity and adoption matters, etc. She also focuses on employment matters for governmental entities, as well as employers and employees, and she represents municipal building departments in connection with the enforcement of Uniform Construction Code violations, litigation, county appeals board hearings and imposition of liens for tenant relocation and emergency repairs. Before joining CLMC, Ms. Lustig was an associate with a New Jersey firm handling civil litigation focusing on labor and employment matters. Prior to her employment-related work, Ms. Lustig was a sole practitioner in Warren, New Jersey, focusing on a wide variety of family law matters.

Jasmine Brown Seabrooks is an associate in Epstein Ostrove, LLC’s, Family Law Department. She concentrates her practice on representing clients on issues regarding divorce, premarital agreements, equitable distribution, cohabitation, child custody, parenting time, and relocation. She also has experience in post-judgment matters and appeals. In addition to her family law practice, Ms. Seabrooks represents clients in criminal and municipal legal proceedings. Utilizing her experience from family law in dealing with sensitive issues, she has also represented children and their guardians in civil litigation matters against municipalities and private institutions in matters of negligent hiring and supervision and New Jersey’s Anti-Bullying Statute. Ms. Seabrooks is a member of the New Jersey State Bar Association and Association of Black Women Lawyers of New Jersey (ABWL).

Marissa Del Mauro is a senior associate at Lyons & Associates, P.C., where she practices in the field of family law. She received her bachelor’s degree in Psychology from Vassar College, and received her J.D. degree from Western New England College School of Law. After graduating from law school, Ms. Del Mauro enjoyed a judicial clerkship with the Honorable Kimarie Rahill, J.S.C., of the Warren County Superior Court, Family Part, now the Presiding Judge of the Family Part for Vicinage 13. During her clerkship, she was responsible for various family matters, including matrimonial, non-dissolution, domestic violence and juvenile cases. She also regularly mediated custody, parenting time, and child support for non-dissolution cases. Prior to joining Lyons & Associates, P.C., Ms. Del Mauro worked for a law firm in the Morris County area as where she focused primarily on the practice of family law.

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