

Agenda

Assisting with Family Law Case Intake Performing conflicts checks Assisting with initial client interview Preparing engagement letter, opening file Collecting information	<i>S. Wolfrum</i>
Preparing Pleadings and Assisting with Motion Practice Preparing initial pleadings Requesting temporary relief Preparing for the temporary orders hearing Preparing the temporary orders	<i>L. Collins</i>
Assisting with Child Custody and Visitation Issues Recent developments in California custody law 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	<i>A. Edwards</i>
Obtaining and Evaluating Financial Information 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	<i>P. Ross</i>
Ethics in Family Law: Allegations of Domestic Abuse Domestic violence and divorce Duties of attorney representing accuser Duties of attorney representing accused	<i>P. Ross</i>
Working with Divorce Clients and Opposing Counsel Establishing and maintaining good communication with clients Methods of communication and contents of communications Guidelines for responding to client communications Working with difficult clients Working with the courts and opposing counsel Maintaining professionalism	<i>L. Collins</i>

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Learning Objectives

- You'll be able to:**
- Assist** with initial client review, pleadings, and temporary orders of hearing.
 - Identify** relevant information on assets, debts, income and expenses.
 - Understand** current status of custody law in California.
 - Handle** ethics issues and domestic abuse allegations.
 - Assist** drafting and reviewing parenting plans.

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- Learn** how to assist with family law case intake
- Explore** ethics in family law: allegations of domestic abuse
- Obtain** and **evaluate** financial information
- Discuss** how to avoid the unauthorized practice of law
- Understand** child custody and visitation issues

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Faculty

Shannon Wolfrum *Law Offices of Shannon K. Wolfrum*
Ms. Wolfrum has practiced family law exclusively since her admission to the California State Bar in 2004. She is a Certified Family Law Specialist (California State Bar Board of Legal Specialization) and a member of the Association of California Family Law Specialists. Ms. Wolfrum is an active member of the Contra Costa County Bar Association, serving for the past four years on the Board of Directors for the Family Law Section. She has taught continuing education courses for attorneys through the Contra Costa Bar Association and CEB. She has been a guest-lecturer at Diablo Valley College. Ms. Wolfrum graduated from Golden Gate University School of Law and earned her undergraduate degree in English from the University of California, Berkeley. Before attending law school, Ms. Wolfrum was an academic counselor at a local university. She has been recognized as a 2019 and 2020 “Super Lawyer”, 2014 “Top Women Attorneys Rising Star”, and a 2013 “Rising Star” by *Super Lawyers Magazine – Northern California*.

Leigh Collins *Family Law Matters*
Ms. Collins is a paralegal with the firm Family Law Matters in Temecula, California. She started her legal career in 1986 with Riverside Superior Court where she worked for 15 years, advancing from file clerk to supervisor. Since then, Ms. Collins has worked as a paralegal exclusively in family law. She is primarily a litigation paralegal and is familiar with Riverside, Orange County, San Bernardino County, Los Angeles County and San Diego County filings. Ms. Collins has worked as a paralegal under B&P code 6450 since 2000 exclusively in Family Law. She attended California State University Fullerton and regularly takes continuing education courses at University of California Riverside. She is a member of the Court Clerks Association, Riverside Bar Association, Orange County Paralegal Association, National Association of Legal Assistants, National Notary Association.

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Ashley Edwards *Walzer Melcher, LLP*
Ms. Edwards has been practicing exclusively as a family law attorney since 2018. Before becoming a family law attorney, Ms. Edwards successfully represented landlords and property management companies of both residential and commercial properties in Los Angeles and Orange counties in all aspects of landlord-tenant, fair housing, and real estate law. Ms. Edwards currently represents professionals and high net-worth individuals in divorce actions involving complex issues, including child custody and executive compensation. Ms. Edwards focuses her practice on clients in the technology and entertainment industries. In addition, a significant portion of Ms. Edwards's work has dealt with post-judgment litigation surrounding interpretation of marital settlement agreements and modifying support and custody judgments. Ms. Edwards received her law degree from the University of Pittsburgh School of Law, where she served as the editor in chief of the *Pittsburgh Journal of Technology Law and Policy*. She received multiple honors in recognition of her leadership and service, including for her work as an instructor for the Marshall-Brennan Constitutional Literacy Project, where she taught constitutional law and civil rights courses.

Pamela Ross *All for the Family Legal Clinic, Inc.*
Ms. Ross is the founder and CEO of All for the Family Legal Clinic, Inc, a nonprofit based out of Castro Valley that helps low income and modest means clients with family law and restraining order issues, by charging on a sliding scale starting at \$15/hr. In addition to serving on the board of All for the Family, she also serves as a member of the Board of the Alameda County Bar Association (ACBA) and previously served as the chair of the ACBA Family Law Section. Since 2016 she has been selected to the California Rising Stars list by Super Lawyers. Since 2017 she has been selected as one of the Top 10 Family Law Attorney's under 40 in Northern California by the NAFLA. In May of 2015 she was honored by VLSC as their Volunteer of the Year and in March of 2014 she was honored by Assemblyman Bill Quirk's office as the District 20 Woman of the Year in Law.

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