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Assisting with Family Law Case Intake

M. Jablonski Jahner

- Performing conflicts checks
- Assisting with initial client interview
- Preparing engagement letter, opening file
- Collecting information

Preparing Pleadings and Assisting with Motion Practice

M. Jablonski Jahner

- Preparing initial pleadings
- Requesting temporary relief
- Preparing for the temporary orders hearing
- Preparing the temporary orders

Practical Strategies for Effective Family Law Practice

T. Lamb

- Understanding the client's needs and emotions
- Effective case management
- Mastering key family law procedures
- Courtroom preparedness
- Utilizing technology and legal tools
- Staying informed on legislative changes

Enforcing and Modifying Family Law Orders and Decrees

D. Einarson

- Enforcing the decree
- Post judgment modification/clarification
- What is modifiable?
- Child support
- Spousal support
- Custody/parenting time
- Limitations
- Process
- How? Motions start to finish
- Relocation cases

Preparing Marital Settlement Agreements

A. Ankers

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

Assisting with Alternative Dispute Resolution

A. Ankers

- Assisting in family law mediation
- Understanding and assisting in divorce arbitration
- Assisting in the collaborative divorce process

Handling Ethical Issues in Family Law Practice

P. Ulloa

- 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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Faculty

Mikayla Jablonski Jahner is the founder of New Innovations Law in Bismark and has spent more than a decade providing professional legal services to lower income clients and those who would otherwise not be able to afford to hire an attorney. A native of the Bismarck-Mandan community, Jahner earned a bachelor's degree from Minot State University and continued on to the University of North Dakota's School of Law to earn her law degree.

Timothy C. Lamb is the owner of Lamb Law Office in Grand Forks. He is a graduate of the University of North Dakota School of Law, and he is a 20-year Army veteran and retired Major. Mr. Lamb has served as a private practice attorney since 2010, appearing in front of the North Dakota Supreme Court for a number of cases.

Darcie M. Einarson is the president of Einarson Law Office, PC, in Grafton, where she focuses her practice on divorce and other family court issues. She is certified in collaborative law as an attorney and divorce coach. She has served as a prosecutor and was the Grafton Municipal Judge from 2008-2024. She is licensed in North Dakota, Minnesota and Arizona. Einarson was the President of the State Bar Association of North Dakota in 2017-2018. She is also a past president of the North Dakota Family Lawyers Section.

Alisha Ankers is an attorney in Fargo who has been practicing since 1992, licensed in North Dakota and Minnesota. Ms. Ankers trained as an arbitrator with AAML in 2020. She represents clients in custody matters, child support, divorce, paternal rights, adoptions and guardianships. She also conducts custody investigations and provides guardian ad litem services. She has experience in complex family law matters. Ms. Ankers is a member of the Cass County Bar, Clay County Bar, State Bar Associations of North Dakota and Minnesota, as well as the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts.

Priscila Ulloa is an associate attorney in the Family Law department at SW&L Attorneys in Fargo. She was a summer judicial extern in Bismarck at the United States District Court for the District of North Dakota. She worked in the chambers of Judge Daniel L. Hovland, Judge Daniel M. Traynor, and Magistrate Judge Clare R. Hochhalter.

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