

## SEMINAR

# Negotiating & Drafting Separation & Paternity, Prenuptial & Postnuptial Agreements

*Considerations, dynamics, and documents to make it happen*

Negotiating and drafting agreements play a significant role in any domestic relations practice. Family Court practitioners are overwhelmingly encouraged to enter into agreements to either partially or fully resolve their client's cases. In many instances, the existence of pre-nuptial or a post-nuptial agreement dictates the litigation and ultimate resolution of a divorce case.

The art of skillfully negotiating an agreement for a client involves not only thorough knowledge of the law, but a strong attorney-client relationship and amicable relationship with the opposing counsel. The seminar begins with an overview of pre-nuptial and post-nuptial agreements including the relevant case law and matters to consider when preparing such agreements.

The faculty then discusses what considerations an attorney should undertake when drafting a separation agreement for a divorce or an agreement for judgment for unmarried parents. What documents must an attorney have a thorough command of prior to entering into a negotiation for an agreement? How can an attorney prepare a client for the inevitable compromise(s) required to reach an agreement? What dynamics occur when clients are present (either virtually or in person) in real time as a negotiation unfolds? What is the most important case law an attorney should know with respect to pre-nuptial, post-nuptial, divorce, paternity and modification agreements? This program is a must-attend for attorneys who have a practice in domestic relations law in either a collaborative law or litigation setting.

## Agenda

- Overview of Pre-Nuptial, Post-Nuptial, Divorce, Paternity and Modification Agreements
- Questions to Consider When Exploring the Possibility of Settlement Negotiations
- Documents Necessary from Your Client and the Opposing Party Prior to Considering Negotiation
- Tips for Conducting Pre-Negotiation Client Meetings; Tips for Drafting Agreements and Negotiation Strategies
- "Ask the Experts" Q&A Session

## Faculty

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