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2021 Family Law Fall Program

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Program Summary

Some family law practitioners may consider contracts to be boring or a necessary evil, but the *2021 Family Law Fall Program* takes a deep dive into this practice and shows attendees that “contracts are sexy too.”

Start off with a review of premarital agreements, the use of cohabitation agreements for clients who do not plan to marry and what options are available when a marriage is on the rocks — including separation agreements, parenting agreements and support agreements. Then explore the ins and outs of resolving a family law dispute through mediation, arbitration or litigation.

Past Program Testimonials

“ I really enjoyed the program. It was a great overview of new and old topics.

“ Very knowledgeable speakers.

“ Great program, very informative.

“ This was a lot of useful information condensed down in a day. I look forward to being able to use the materials for more in-depth answers as I come across issues in practice.

— Attendees, *Happy Anniversary, ITACAT! The Next 10 Years... What the Future Held* (2020 Family Law Fall CLE), September 11, 2020

AGENDA

Thursday, October 21, 2021 | 8:55 AM – 3:25 PM

- 8:55 **Welcome and Introductions**
- 9:00 **Let the Good Times Roll, Part One: Cohabitation Agreements** | I. King
Explore the use of cohabitation agreements for clients who do not plan to marry.
- 9:30 **Break**
- 9:40 **Let the Good Times Roll, Part Two: Premarital Agreements** | Close
Discuss the who, what, when, where and how of prenups.
- 10:10 **Break**
- 10:20 **On the Rocks** | Broyles
Dive into the options for a client whose marriage is on the rocks, including postnuptial agreements, reconciliation agreements, separation agreements, parenting agreements and support agreements.
- 11:20 **Break**
- 11:30 **Sealing the Deal: Mediation** | K. King
We've guided our client through a negotiation; now what? Tackle the ins and outs of family law mediation, including notary requirements, formalities, execution and additional instruments.
- 12:15 **Lunch Break**
- 1:00 **Managing the Chaos: Arbitration** | Coltrane, Morgenstern and Stinson
Even the best-laid plans do not always work, resulting in arbitration. Discuss the top issues that should be arbitrated and review the mechanics of arbitration, including recording proceedings, time limit and exhibits. Then analyze the arbitration contract, possible pitfalls, the award and confirming the award.
- 2:15 **Break**
- 2:25 **All Heck Broke Loose: Breach of Contract** | Connell and Godley
What happens when court is our best option? Before litigation begins, determine how material is material and whether one breach invalidates another. Examine demand letters, the mechanics of a complaint, contract defenses, and different types of remedies including damages, specific performance and enforcement of judgments.
- 3:25 **Adjourn**

PROGRAM DETAILS

Speakers

- **Kristin Kelly Broyles**, Halvorsen Family Law Group, Winston-Salem
- **Cary E. Close**, Close Smith Family Law, Raleigh
- **Charles W. “Chas” Coltrane**, Coltrane & Overfield PLLC, Greensboro
- **Michelle D. Connell**, Fox Rothschild LLP, Raleigh
- **T. Michael “Mike” Godley**, Godley Glazer & Funk PLLC, Mooresville
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