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Practice Areas

[Family Law & Divorce](#)

[Wills, Trusts & Estate Planning](#)

Colby Rieke is an experienced domestic relations attorney focusing on family law and divorce with more than 15 years of experience in both Kansas and Missouri. Mr. Rieke focuses his practice on divorce, paternity, child custody, child support, and maintenance (alimony) cases, for both mother and father. Mr. Rieke represents business owners, C-suite executives, medical professionals, and their spouses in a variety of family law matters. He helps clients navigate complex business valuations, characterization of marital and non-marital assets, and child support and maintenance issues. Mr. Rieke employs creative solutions to complex, high net worth, contentious matters. His steadfast goal, prior to engaging in contested litigation, is to exhaust all possible efforts to negotiate, mediate, or otherwise amicably resolve each and every family law conflict in which he is involved. Yet, he is an experienced litigator when the matter remains unresolved. Mr. Rieke is also experienced in the areas of estate planning and probate. This experience provides great value when analyzing complex property divisions, business valuations, and the preservation of marital and non-marital assets.

He has been named to the Super Lawyers® list in the area of Family Law in Kansas and Missouri for 2019, and named to the Rising Star® list every year from 2014 through 2018. He is a member of the Firm's Family Law & Divorce Practice Group, and the Wills, Trusts & Estate Planning Practice Group.

Reviews & Testimonials

5 stars (out of 5) - Avvo

Highly Recommend - Anonymous

Choosing a family law attorney is a very personal and highly emotional decision. Colby will earn your respect and trust from the very first meeting. He is able to take very emotional situations and calmly explain your legal rights to you. I would highly recommend Colby to anyone looking for an attorney in family law.

Exceptional 5.0 stars review on Avvo

When I got the call from my son, the call I had been dreading for six years, I called Colby for help. Three days later we were in front of a judge who temporarily suspended their father's parenting rights. It was a traumatic experience for me and Colby was not only an exceptional attorney he was patient and caring with me as I worked through old trauma while dealing with the new trauma. When I asked his opinion he was thoughtful and honest. He was also relentless in fighting for my rights as well as my sons. He is highly intelligent and well versed in the law. And for someone like myself who was in an abusive marriage, his quiet strength was comforting and reassuring. I am grateful I had Colby in my corner for those 8 months, and when it happens again, he's my attorney. – Lauren 7/7/20

Excellent Attorney

Colby Rieke is a very skillful and knowledgeable attorney. We had a goal at the beginning of this road and that was to obtain sole custody of my son. Being a single father, I felt that the deck was stacked against me in court but he was able to accomplish that exact goal and thereby ensuring the safety and security of the most precious thing in my life. Without a doubt, I would go back to Colby for any future family law matters and recommend him to any friends or family in need of such services. – Jeff M. 9/11/18

Colby represented me in my very long, very ugly, and extremely difficult divorce. It took almost 2 years to finalize and he was really great throughout the entire process. He was knowledgeable, even with the complex nature of my divorce. He kept me well informed of the process, thoroughly explained everything to me, and I felt like he really listened and cared about getting me what I wanted. We had to attend court 13 times and Colby was always well prepared and always brought his "A" game. I felt like I could trust Colby. Getting divorced is an extremely stressful situation; you shouldn't have to stress over your lawyer, too. – Anonymous 9/13/18

An Attorney with Integrity and Tenacity

Colby Rieke took over my case when my previous lawyer was no longer proactive. Colby's legal knowledge, obvious intelligence and creative problem-solving all proved essential to resolving my case. He shows integrity and compassion when dealing with difficult and painful circumstances. Colby's tenacity for resolution moved my case forward and to an acceptable completion, which I know would not have been accomplished without him. I recommend him to others with confidence. – Lynn 2/28/17

Thorough and Careful Attorney

I've used Colby's legal services for a number of reasons for nearly a decade. I retained him for my divorce, and was able to obtain everything I asked, even when my ex attempted to take half the retirement I worked for.

Recently, I hired Colby to put together a will for me and he spent a lot of time with me explaining options and carefully making sure the details of my wishes are in place. Through the years, I've also been able to call him up and ask for feedback on various things along the way (a will issue when my father died, questions about a bad tenant, etc.) and he has always pointed me in the right direction even if I didn't need to hire him for anything. I recommend Colby for anything you encounter and would like to add how professional he is and easy to work with. Even if you find a "cheaper" attorney, it is not worth the cost of a possibly less thorough attorney. Colby will advise you properly and fight when it makes sense to. – Melanie 6/14/16

Fantastic Attorney

Mr. Rieke was able to follow through on everything he promised he would in regards to my custody case. He has a great rapport with the judges and the courthouse and everything was quick and smooth. He was very passionate about the circumstances surrounding my desire/need to obtain custody of my daughter from her mother and he exhibited that every step of the way. The process took less than 3 months, mostly due to his knowledge and skills in maneuvering the legal system. I would recommend him to anyone needing a family lawyer. – Dale 6/14/16

Excellent Divorce Attorney

I hired Colby Rieke as my divorce attorney. He is very organized and easy to work with. In the courtroom Colby was professional and to the point. I knew my fees up front and there were no surprises. I recommend Colby Rieke to get the job done! - Jeanny 6/8/16

Distinctions

[Distinction selection information](#)

Johnson County Bar Association - Appointed as 2021-2022 Vice President of the Family Law Section

Johnson County Bar Association - Appointed by review committee as 2021-2022 Committee Member of the Family Law Bench/Bar Guidelines

Missouri and Kansas Super Lawyers, Family Law: 2019, 2020

Missouri and Kansas Rising Stars, Family Law: 2014-2018

Johnson County Bar Association - Appointed as 2021-2022 Secretary of the Family Law Section

Missouri and Kansas Super Lawyers, Family Law: 2019, Rising Star, Family Law: 2014 - 2018

Memberships

Kansas Bar Association

Missouri Bar Association

Johnson County Bar Association

Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association

The Catholic Lawyers Guild of Kansas City

Wealth Counsel Member

Community

Snow Ball patron Committee Member, Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas – 2016 – Present
Catholic Charities Golf Classic Committee Member, Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas – 2015 - Present

Education

University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law (J.D., 2004)

University of Kansas School of Business (B.A., 2001, Business Administration with emphasis in Finance)

Court Admissions

U.S. District Court for the District of
Kansas

Bar Admissions

Kansas
Missouri