

Family Law & Divorce

McDowell Rice's Family Law/Divorce practice area encompasses a wide range of matters involving family law and domestic relations such as:

- Marital dissolution – divorce and separation
- Child custody agreements
- Preparation and interpretation of prenuptial, post-nuptial, and non-traditional partnership agreements
- Post-divorce modifications and other litigation, such as changes in spousal maintenance, child support, and child custody
- Paternity determinations

Our experienced attorneys represent clients who have substantial marital estates in complex marital dissolutions. Our cases often involve the valuation and division of businesses, real estate, and other valuable assets as well as traditional family wealth.

Our firm is committed to serving its clients by:

- Preserving assets
- Reaching an equitable division of marital property
- Minimizing unnecessary conflict
- Working with parties to determine what solutions are in the best interest of their children

Our attorneys are sensitive to the practical needs of the case as well as to the emotional strain under which our clients must resolve their family issues.

Examples of our work and client feedback include:

- Favorable judgment from the trial court in a divorce action regarding the valuation of a marital business and support obligations of opposing party
- Favorable determination from the trial court on a Motion for Reconsideration lowering client's child support obligation
- Successful settlement negotiation wherein client's support obligation was greatly reduced and client maintained a substantial portion of the marital estate

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