

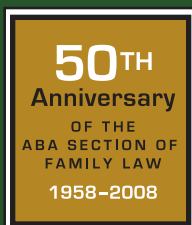
ABA FAMILY LAW FALL CLE CONFERENCE

OCTOBER 2-5, 2008

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SCOTTSDALE, AZ

**Come for the CLE
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WELCOME

Dear Colleague,

This October, attorneys nationwide will gather in Scottsdale, Arizona, for the ABA Section of Family Law Fall CLE Conference. I would like to invite you to join us as we explore Scottsdale and get to know one another while we enhance our daily law practices.

At this premier educational and networking meeting of family and general law practitioners from across the country, you will have the opportunity to attend your choice of over 16 hours of timely CLE topics including Retirement, Tax Returns, Ethics, Trial Practice, Elder Law, Collaborative Law and Alimony Strategies. We hope everyone will participate in our committee meetings and the Family Law Section Council meeting to round out the meeting.

During this Conference, there will be diverse and plentiful opportunities for networking and socializing with your fellow attorneys. Throughout the week there will be breakfasts and receptions. At the La Puesta del Sol, you will experience the natural beauty of the Sonoran desert and enjoy the scenery of the Yavapai Apache Indian that is surrounded by the Four Peaks Wilderness area while relaxing with Margaritas and the best barbeque the area has to offer. During your stay, Camelback Adventures will offer a variety of tours, which will allow you to experience Scottsdale's many unique amenities. The hotel is family oriented with sitters, pools, sprinklers, a park and a pitch and putt on site. Although we will be enjoying all the resort and spa have to offer, the city is only a short cab ride away. Please see the special section in this brochure and visit www.abanet.org/family for complete tour and activity details.

I look forward to seeing you in Scottsdale!

Anita M. Ventrelli
Schiller DuCanto and Fleck LLP
Chicago, IL
Chair, Section of Family Law

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TOUR INFORMATION

The Section of Family Law and the Camelback Adventures, the in-house Destination Management Company, are pleased to offer you the following tour options during your stay in Scottsdale:

Thursday, Oct. 2	Friday, Oct. 3	Saturday, Oct. 4
<i>Talesin and Carefree</i>	<i>Sedona</i>	<i>Heard Museum and</i>
1:00-5:00p.m.	8:30a.m.-4:30p.m.	<i>City Tour</i>
		1:00-5:00p.m.

Tour tickets must be purchased separately. Please visit www.abanet.org/family for tour information. You must be a registered attendee or registered guest of the conference to participate in the tours.

ATTENTION GOLFERS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4 – 1:00 pm TEE TIME
(subject to change)

Camelback Golf Club, one of Arizona's original gems, features 36 holes of championship golf located in beautiful Scottsdale. If you are interested in playing golf on Saturday, October 4th please contact Peter M. Walzer at 818-591-3700 or pmw@walzermelcher.com.

Please watch the Section website for updates about the Young Lawyer event on Saturday!

FIRST-TIMERS RECRUITMENT AWARD

A spa package will be awarded to the Family Law Section member who recruits the most first-time attendees to the conference. The First-Timers form must be mailed or faxed to Section staff by the early-bird registration deadline of September 2. The winner will be announced at the Welcome Reception on Thursday evening.

AIRLINE ARRANGEMENTS

Discounted airfares are available from ABA Orbitz for Business, including ABA negotiated discounts on American and United Airlines. American Airlines discount code is #19838 and the discount code for United Airlines is #5781G. To book online, go to www.abanet.org/travel then click under the Orbitz for Business logo at the top of the page. Click on the appropriate link in the Self Paid Travel box. For assistance with online or offline reservations, call toll free 1-877-222-4185.

NEARBY AIRPORTS & TRANSPORTATION

Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport: 9 miles from the Camelback Inn, a JW Marriott Resort & Spa. A taxi ride is estimated to cost \$35 each way. You can reserve a shuttle by contacting SuperShuttle.com or by calling 1-800-258-3826. The cost is \$16 one way or \$32 roundtrip from the airport to the Camelback Inn.

REGISTRATION FEES

The early bird registration fee, postmarked by 9/02/08, is \$425 for ABA Section of Family Law members. **This fee covers all CLE Programs, a CD-ROM of program materials, breakfast each day and networking receptions on Thursday and Saturday evenings.**

The non-lawyer spouse or guest registration fee is \$125. This registration fee allows the registered guest to attend the morning breakfasts and the evening receptions. **Spouse/Guest registration is required for purchase of event tickets. All registrants, spouses and including guests will be required to wear a name badge to all events. Registration fees for children under 18 are complimentary; however, tickets must be purchased for all children attending ticketed social events.**

ROOM RESERVATIONS & HOTEL INFORMATION

Call The Camelback Inn, a JW Marriott Resort & Spa, directly at 480-948-1700 prior to **Tuesday, September 2, 2008**, and identify that you are part of the ABA Family Law Fall CLE Conference to receive the discounted room rate of \$219 per night.

CLE CREDIT

CLE credit has been requested from MCLE states. Those seeking credit in Pennsylvania and Louisiana must submit a certificate and pay fees to those states. The ABA pays applicable fees in other states. Each state has its own rules and regulations, including its definition of CLE. You may wish to check with your state for confirmation of a program's approval. Many states require a Uniform Certificate of Attendance; these certificates will be available on-site in the back of each CLE program room. You must also sign-in ONCE throughout the entire conference to receive credit.

CANCELLATION POLICY

To receive a full refund, a written request must be received on or before **September 12, 2008**. No refunds will be issued after that date. Questions about cancellations can be directed to Section staff at 312/988-5145.

2008 FALL CLE

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

October 2–5, 2008

The Camelback Inn,
a JW Marriott Resort & Spa
Scottsdale, AZ

Thursday, October 2, 2008




- 8:00am-12:00pm **Registration and Hospitality Room**
Sunshine and Cholla Room
- 8:00am-9:30am **Continental Breakfast**
Sunshine and Cholla Room
- 8:00am-9:00am **First-Timers' Breakfast**
Sonoran Terrace
New to the scene? First time attending? Come meet the Section leaders for an informative overview of the conference and the Section of Family Law.
- 8:00am-5:00pm **Family Advocate Board of Editors Meeting**
Salon A
- 9:00am-10:00am **Member Benefit Development Committee Meeting**
Salon C
- 9:30am-11:00am **Section of Family Law Officers Meeting**
Salon B
- 10:00am-11:00am **Young Lawyers Committee Meeting**
Salon C
- 11:00am-12:00pm **Section of Family Law Finance Committee Meeting**
Salon B
- 2:00pm-5:00pm **Section of Family Law Council Meeting**
Peace Pipe Room
All Section of Family Law members are invited to attend the Section's Council Meeting.
- 5:15pm-6:45pm **Welcome Reception**
Please join us on the Sonoran Terrace for an evening of cocktails and hors d'oeuvres while enjoying the breathtaking views of Camelback Mountain.
- 7:00pm **Dine-Arounds**
With tables reserved at some of the best eateries in Scottsdale, this fun "Dutch treat" event is an excellent opportunity to enjoy dinner at fabulous restaurants while networking with conference attendees. Sign up in the Hospitality Room or at the Welcome Reception.
- 7:00pm **First-Timers' Dinner**
- 9:30pm-11:00pm **Chair's Suite Reception**



SECTION OF FAMILY LAW BOOKS AVAILABLE ON THIS TOPIC

While at the conference, please visit the Section of Family Law book table in the Hospitality Room to take advantage of special meeting discounts on Family Law publications. Section of Family Law books can also be purchased online at the **ABA Bookstore** at www.ababooks.org

Friday, October 3, 2008

- 7:30am-4:30pm **Registration and Hospitality**
Sunshine and Cholla Room
- 7:30am-9:00am **Continental Breakfast**
Sunshine and Cholla Room
- 7:15am-8:00am **Meeting of the Committee Chairs and Vice-Chairs**
Salons H-N
- 8:00am-9:00am **Simultaneous Committee CLE Programs**
-  **(At Least) Ten Things Every Family Lawyer Should Know About Assisted Reproductive Technology Law**
Salon G
Reproductive & Genetic Technologies Committee
Ready or not, ART issues must be either ruled out or appropriately addressed in every family law case. This program will make the general family lawyer aware of common, everyday ways ART law intersects with a general family law practice. It will make clear how ART law has raised unique and relevant issues that must be routinely identified and resolved by the family lawyer in representing clients in drafting antenuptial agreements, dissolution of marriage proceedings, adoptions, and paternity cases. It will explain both the questions that family lawyers should ask their clients and that clients will (inevitably) ask their family lawyers. It will also provide a framework for family lawyers to successfully answer their clients' questions.
Moderator: Elizabeth Swire-Falker, Esq., P.C., New Rochelle, NY
Speaker: Steven Snyder, Esq., Maple Grove, MN
-  **Retirement Benefits Part I: Is There Any Such Thing As the Basics?**
Salons A & B
Marital Property Committee
Retirement benefits come in many forms and the experienced practitioner must be adept at identifying the various components of the benefit, valuing those components and dividing them between the parties by including appropriate language in the settlement agreement. All three topics will be discussed by an experienced practitioner and QDRO consultant and a pension appraiser and QDRO consultant.
Moderator: Melissa Avery, Esq., Indianapolis, IN
Speakers: Raymond Dietrich, Esq., Phoenix, AZ
Adam Miller, CPA, Phoenix, AZ
-  **Understanding the Sweeping Changes to the Bankruptcy Code as it Affects Divorce and Divorcing Parties**
Salons D & E
Bankruptcy Committee
This panel will offer practical guidance on the new legislation and how it affects divorcing spouses. Learn an overview of Bankruptcy law as it pertains to the particular needs of a practicing family lawyer. You will also obtain a general overview of the bankruptcy system and highlights of the ramifications of bankruptcy in a divorce situation.
Moderator: Karl Topor, Esq., Auburndale, MA
Speaker: Madeline Marzano-Lesnevich, Esq., Hackensack, NJ
- 8:30am-9:30am **Bylaws Committee Meeting**
Palo Verde Room

CONFERENCE

9:00am **Welcome and Opening Announcements**
Peace Pipe Room

9:15am-11:45am **Plenary Session**
Peace Pipe Room



**Deciphering the Financial DaVinci Code:
The Idiot's Guide to Tax Return and Financial
Analysis for Fun and Profit**

Program Producers:

Barton Resnicoff, Esq., Great Neck, NY
Frederic Siegel, Esq., Stamford, CT
Peter Walzer, Esq., Woodland Hills, CA
Learn the strategy and techniques of examining individual tax returns, business tax returns and financial statements to find hidden wealth and income in the estate. The speakers are highly qualified financial professionals who deal with these issues on an ongoing basis. They will engage in a lively discussion of procedures and analysis techniques that are commonly used by forensic experts.

Moderator: Carlton Marcyan, JD/CPA/CFP, Chicago, IL

Speakers: Cynthia Craig, CPA, ABV, Santa Rosa, CA
Henry Guberman, CPA/ABV, CFE, CDFA, DABFA, New York, NY
Lynton Kotzin, Esq., CPA, ABV, Phoenix, AZ

10:00am-11:00am **Scope & Correlation Committee Meeting**
Salon C

11:00am-12:00pm **Sponsorship & Fundraising Committee Meeting**
Salon C

1:30pm-4:00pm **Plenary Session**
Peace Pipe Room

**Lawyers in LaLa Land: Images of Legal Ethics &
Professionalism in the Movies**

Program Producers:

Lori Nelson, Esq., Salt Lake City, UT
Jonathan Wolfe, Esq., Livingston, NJ
This fast-paced program will discuss legal ethics, professionalism and trial practice techniques using examples from your favorite legal movies. The information is current, relevant, practical and fun. This is a presentation that can't be missed.

Moderator: Lori Nelson, Esq., Salt Lake City, UT

Speaker: Andrew Schultz, Esq., Albuquerque, NM

4:15pm-5:15pm **Simultaneous Committee CLE Programs**



Depositions: Rewards and Pitfalls
Salon G

Trial Practice & Techniques Committee

This program will provide practical deposition tips from the trenches for matrimonial practitioners. Topics to be covered will include: how to effectively take and defend depositions; how to prepare for them; and when to prepare (hint: it starts the day you meet your client). We deal with a potent weapon but, used improperly, one that can backfire.

Moderator: Jonathan Wolfe, Esq., Livingston, NJ

Speaker: Michael Mosberg, Esq., New York, NY



**Ethical Consideration in Collaborative Law:
Can I Do It? Should I Do It? Where Are the
Potholes?**

Salons A & B

Alternative Dispute Resolution and Ethics Committees

The collaborative process has caught on in many areas around the country. Is it a viable alternative to litigation or other forms of dispute resolution? Are there ethical considerations to be addressed in the collaborative process that might not arise in other venues? How far can I limit the scope of my representation and stay within the bounds of ethics...and what about informed consent?

Moderator: Dianna Gould-Saltman, Esq., Los Angeles, CA

Speakers: David Tracy, Esq., Tulsa, OK
Marshall Wolf, Esq., Cleveland, OH

**Hot Topics in Estates & Trusts for
Family Law Practitioners**

Salons D & E

Elder Law Committee

For the wealthy divorce client, learn how the divorce impacts estate planning and vice versa, especially regarding a will and living trust. For the less wealthy client, learn basic Medicaid eligibility concepts and whether legal separation or divorce is an option to achieve eligibility. The panelists will also discuss life estates, spousal assignment, and other tools of the Elder Law and Estates & Trusts attorneys.

Speakers: Paula Kirby, Esq., Scottsdale, AZ
Robert Fleming, Esq., Tucson, AZ

6:00pm-10:00pm **Social Event at La Puesta del Sol**

Join us for the best of the West! We'll travel down the trail to an authentic working ranch, nestled in the heart of the Sonoran desert, on the Yavapai Apache Indian reservation, surrounded by spectacular views of the Four Peaks Wilderness area. We'll enjoy a cowboy cookout (with all the trimmings) over the open fire. Bring your boots and two-step to a country/western band, or test your skills with games like quick draw, tomahawk toss and cork gun gallery. Dinner, drinks, transportation, and live entertainment are included.

Cost: Children ages 0-3 are free

Kids ages 3-12 are \$50

Adults are \$115.

Saturday, October 4, 2008

7:30am-1:00pm **Registration and Hospitality**
Sunshine and Cholla Room

7:30am-9:00am **Continental Breakfast**
Sunshine and Cholla Room

7:30am-8:30am **Chair's Court Breakfast**
Salon C

8:00am-11:00am **Publications Development Board Meeting**
Salon L

8:00am-12:00pm **Family Law Quarterly Board of Editors Meeting**
Salon K

8:30am-9:30am **Simultaneous Committee CLE Programs**



Conflicts of Interest, Conflicts of Law, and Other Intriguing Ethical Issues: The Who, What, When, and Where of Practicing ART Law

Salon G

Reproductive & Genetic Technologies Committee

ART law is so cutting-edge that it creates brand-new moral and ethical issues and dilemmas never before seen. Nevertheless, the practice of law has long-standing ethical rules and guidelines that govern a lawyer's acceptance and handling of any legal matter. While we are intrigued and distracted by the new potential ethical pitfalls of ART practice, it is easy to lose sight of the traditional ethical restraints that govern all lawyers. This panel will discuss when one can (and when one can't) represent a particular ART client and other important ethical nuances of the practice of ART law.

Moderator: Prof. Charles Kindregan, Esq., Boston, MA
Speakers: Susan Crockin, Esq., Newton, MA
Nidhi Desai, Esq., Chicago, IL



Retirement Benefits Part II: Avoiding Disaster and Dealing with ERISA

Salons A & B

Marital Property Committee

Dividing retirement benefits is not for the faint at heart. There are many areas where the uninformed practitioner's mistake can end up with unintended consequences for the client. Learn how to avoid common mistakes and what to do if it looks like ERISA litigation may be on the horizon.

Moderator: Anne Marie Jackson, Esq., Washington, DC
Speakers: Darren Goodman, Esq., West Lake Village, CA
Louise Nixon, Esq., Pasadena, CA

Feathering the Nest – Alimony Strategies and Tips

Salons D & E

Alimony Committee

This will be a fast-moving program comprised of ten-minute hot tips, strategies and techniques shared by nationally known experts on the issue of alimony. Come and learn from the best!

Moderator: Candace Peeples, Esq., Birmingham, AL
Speakers: William Balkun, Esq., Cranston, RI
Gary Borger, Esq., Cherry Hill, NJ
Carol Cardonick, Esq., Doylestown, PA
Greg Forman, Esq., Charleston, SC
Lyne Ranson, Esq., Charleston, WV
Sandra Rotruck, Esq., Albuquerque, NM
Richard Wexell, Esq., Fairfax, VA

9:45am-12:15pm **Plenary Session**
Peace Pipe Room

Program Producers: **The Art of the Draft: Premarital Agreements**
Lori Colbert, Esq., Anchorage, AK
Virginia Dugan, Esq., Albuquerque, NM

Whether it is equal or disproportionate assets, rich and famous, young and old, young and young, old and old, everybody wants one: pre- and post-marital agreements. Are you up to the task of drafting and avoiding all the pitfalls of these most important documents?

Moderator: Virginia Dugan, Esq., Albuquerque, NM
Speakers: Beth Cohn, Esq., Phoenix, AZ
Lynda Limon, Esq., Anchorage, AK
Linda Ravdin, Esq., Bethesda, MD
Steve Sheldon, Phoenix, AZ

10:00am-11:00am **Long Range Planning Committee Meeting**
Salon K

11:15am-12:15pm **Diversity Committee Meeting**
Salon E

1:00pm-2:00pm **Committee Meeting Group A**
Sonoran Terrace

Whether you are already a member of a committee or would like to learn more about a specific practice area, you are invited to join the Section's committees for an interactive discussion. Committee membership is an excellent member benefit, a great way to meet other conference attendees and learn about committee activities. The following committees will meet as part of Group A. **Alimony, Alternative Dispute Resolution, Bankruptcy, Congressional Relations, Domestic Violence, Ethics, Marital Property, Reproductive & Genetic Technologies, Taxation, and LPM/Technology committees.**

2:00pm-3:00pm **Committee Meeting Group B**
Sonoran Terrace

Join us for the second installment of committee meetings. The following committees will meet as Group B. **Adoption, Alternative Families, Custody, Child Support, Elder Law, Family Courts, International Law, Military, and Trial Practice & Techniques committees** will meet today.

5:30pm-7:00pm **Cocktail Reception**
Sonoran Terrace
Sponsored by the State Bar of Arizona

9:00pm-11:30pm **Chair's Suite Reception**

Sunday, October 5, 2008

8:00am-9:30am **Send-off Breakfast**
Sonoran Terrace

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REGISTRATION FORM

SECTION OF FAMILY LAW 2008 FALL CLE CONFERENCE

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REMEMBER—YOU MUST CALL THE MARRIOTT TO MAKE ROOM RESERVATIONS (480-948-1700)

ATTENDEE:

Please type or print clearly. One per person; photocopy this form for additional attendees.

Name: _____ ABA ID: _____

(All guests (including children) must register and wear name badges at all events!)

This is my 1st ABA Family Law Section meeting I will attend the first-timers' dinner on Thursday, Oct. 2

How did you find out about the conference: E-mail Mail Website Family Advocate
 FL Section Member (Member's Name _____) Other _____

Firm/Company: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: (_____) _____ Fax: (_____) _____

E-mail: _____

CANCELLATION POLICY

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Register online: www.abanet.org/family

Note: Please submit appropriate payment and complete registration form at time of registration.

Register by Mail

American Bar Association
Section of Family Law, MS 19.1
321 N. Clark St.
Chicago, Illinois 60654

REGISTRATION FEES (all are non-transferable):

	# of tickets	dollar amount	total
<input type="checkbox"/> \$425 Early Bird Registration Fee for Section members (postmarked by 09/02/08)	_____ x	\$ _____ =	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> \$500 Standard Registration Fee for Section members (postmarked after 09/02/08)	_____ x	\$ _____ =	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> \$525 Non-Section Registration Fee for ABA Members	_____ x	\$ _____ =	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> \$600 Non-ABA Member Registration Fee	_____ x	\$ _____ =	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> \$250 Judges, Full-time Law School Faculty, Canadian and International Bar Members, Full-time Legal Services, or Social Service Practitioner	_____ x	\$ _____ =	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> \$250 New Practitioners (up to 5 years)	_____ x	\$ _____ =	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> \$100 Law Students	_____ x	\$ _____ =	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> \$125 Guest Fee	_____ x	\$ _____ =	\$ _____

Spouse or Guest's Full Name(s): _____

No Fee Children—Ages 12 & under (indicate how many children will attend) _____ x _____ = _____

Their Name(s): _____

COMMITTEE MEETING:

Committee Meeting Group A

Committee Meeting Group B

SOCIAL EVENT

Evening at La Puesta del Sol • Friday, October 3

	# of tickets	dollar amount	total
<input type="checkbox"/> \$0 Children 0-3 years	_____ x	\$ _____ =	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> \$50 Children 4-12 years	_____ x	\$ _____ =	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> \$115 Adults	_____ x	\$ _____ =	\$ _____

MEETING MATERIALS FORMAT:

PROGRAM MATERIALS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE TRADITIONAL BOUND COMPENDIUM OR CD-ROM FORMAT.

All registered attendees will receive a **CD-Rom** of the program materials.

As a Section, we are trying to become more environmentally friendly. As of this meeting, if you would like a bound, three-volume compendium in addition to the CD-Rom, the cost is \$45.

Add'l. Program Materials: Bound Compendium _____ x \$45 = \$ _____

TOTAL FEES: \$ _____

METHOD OF PAYMENT:

Check enclosed, made payable to ABA Section of Family Law.

Credit card payment: VISA MasterCard American Express

Card Number: _____ Card Expires _____ / _____

Signature _____

All registrations must be **received by September 22**, otherwise registration will be available on-site.

If you are unable to attend the conference, but would like to purchase course materials and/or audiotapes, please check the Section's website three weeks after the conference for more information: <http://www.abanet.org/family/>.

Information provided on this registration form is published in an attendee roster and disseminated to meeting attendees electronically after the conference:

Please do not list my name or contact information in the attendee roster.

Please do not list my e-mail address in the attendee roster.

We encourage participation by all individuals. If you are a person with a disability, giving us advance notification of any special needs will help us accommodate you better.

***Please specify any food allergies or dietary restrictions at the time of registration so that we have adequate time to alert our food providers of any special accommodations.*

First-Timers Recruitment Award- deadline for registration (Sept. 2nd)



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