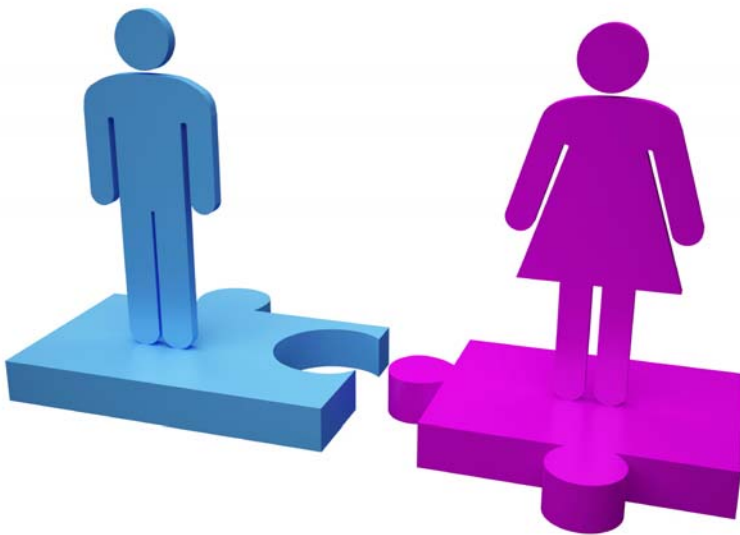


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Providing More Than Just Counsel

The Family Law Group at Becker Meisel uses a unique combination of experience, professional associations and innovative thinking to cater to the needs of individuals facing the challenges of divorce or separation. Relationships – with our clients, the Courts, and industry professionals - are at the core of our group’s success.



RICHARD C. KLEIN

Partner Richard Klein, chair of the Family Law Group, has practiced law, specializing in New Jersey divorce law, for over 30 years. Mr. Klein is proud to be considered among the most established and well-known family law attorneys in New Jersey.

Headed by nationally recognized attorney, Richard C. Klein, the firm provides counsel in areas such as:

- Divorce
- Child Custody
- Parenting Time Issues
- Distribution and Valuation of Businesses and Professional Corporations
- Property Division
- Domestic Violence
- Alimony
- Civil Unions and Domestic Partnerships
- Pre-nuptial Agreements

Information is the Key to Positive Results

The Family Law Group operates under the philosophy that the more one understands about the process, the easier it is to move forward. Hence, we pride ourselves on our ability to provide accessible counsel and reliable information at every step of an often complex process. Our team of lawyers, paraprofessionals and staff are dedicated to providing compassion and professionalism during the emotional phases of any Family Court case. We realize that effective representation depends upon the joint efforts of an experienced attorney and an informed client, and we therefore rely upon effective two-way communication at all stages of the process.



DREW A. MOLOTSKY

Senior Associate Drew A. Molotsky is certified by the Supreme Court of New Jersey as a Matrimonial Law Attorney. He has practiced exclusively in the area of Family Law for more than 18 years.



When Litigation is Necessary

If negotiation proves ineffective, our attorneys are able to provide the aggressive and experienced litigation skills that complex cases call for, taking all the necessary steps to thoroughly pursue issues that are in the best interests of our clients. We seek to find fair and amicable resolutions to your domestic issues, but we are prepared to litigate the matters to the full extent. While the primary goal is to make every effort to negotiate a just settlement, when required, the firm will aggressively use all means at our disposal to obtain the best possible results for our clients, often consulting forensic accountants and appraisers to assist in the negotiation of a just settlement.

Knowledge of the Law

New Jersey divorce and family law is a developing field, but our clients can rest assured that Becker Meisel's family law group monitors and analyzes even the smallest changes in case law and statute to ensure that our clients' goals and objectives are met. While many lawyers include Family Law as one of the many areas in which they practice, our Family Law attorneys have made the decision to dedicate their practices to this difficult area of the law. It is essential that your attorney be experienced and active in the areas of divorce and family law, specifically, and that he or she have the specialized experience to deal with the particular issues involved in your case. There are no second chances, and you do not want to have regrets down the road. Be confident in the fact that you are entrusting your future to qualified professionals, specifically trained to handle family law matters, not a general practitioner.

Adaptability

Our attorneys recognize that every case is different and requires an individualized approach to resolution. The best lawyer can adjust their approach to match their client's goals; our clients can be confident that we will be aggressive when necessary but respectful and conciliatory when appropriate.

Choose a lawyer who:

- Has sophisticated knowledge of the law
- Has the skills and experience to deal with unusual circumstances and is prepared to litigate, if necessary
- Is able to adapt their approach to your needs
- Maintains effective and timely communication
- Has the professional staff to effectively handle your needs

We pride ourselves on our ability to work with the specialized needs and priorities of each client, making sure our style conforms to our client's desired handling of their case. Our attorneys know the law, and are therefore, able to recognize when to use it to our client's advantage, paying a much greater dividend in the long term.

Access

Our Family Law attorneys and paralegals understand that timely access to counsel and responses to questions are essential to our clients. With offices in Livingston, Cherry Hill, and Shrewsbury, we have locations throughout the state to meet with our clients. Liberal use of email and other electronic means of communication keep us in contact both during and outside of the normal business day. Our dedicated paralegal staff is available to address clerical needs and answer your procedural questions. Early morning and after-hours appointments can be arranged as needed in order to accommodate your employment and child-care schedules. It is essential to us that you have access to your attorney and that he or she will be as responsive as you require.

Custody Litigation in New Jersey

Custody litigation will involve many difficult questions that only experienced counsel can answer. Should your child speak to the Judge? Which expert should I hire? Who are the best counselors?

The sensitive and complex nature of custody litigation requires a combination of skill and knowledge that the attorneys at Becker Meisel can offer. We are prepared to navigate the complex maze of court appearances, access expert analysis, custody evaluation and mental health professionals in order to facilitate the outcome that your children deserve. Parents and children are entitled to have their custody cases decided on an expedited basis in order to minimize disruption, and we strive to make sure that happens. A custody trial is a last resort and is a long and arduous process. It is expensive and, of course, unpredictable. In the event it is unavoidable, we will be here to make sure your rights, and those of your children, are adequately protected.

Always aware of the growing importance of technology in family law cases, Richard Klein was the first family law attorney in New Jersey to obtain a Court order to take possession of a party's hard drive for evidentiary use in a divorce proceeding.

Beyond the initial custody determinations, we are also experienced in dealing with modification and adjustment of existing custodial arrangements. Substantial changes in circumstances may necessitate changes in how parenting time is exercised. A parent may be seeking to “remove” the child by moving out of state.

These important life changes may have significant long-term consequences for both custodial and non-custodial parents alike and we are here to make sure that our clients’ interests are secured for the long-term.

Considerations for Special Needs Children

Raising a child with special needs can be tough on a marriage. As a result, the divorce rate of parents of special needs children is higher than the national divorce rate of all couples. A divorce between a couple with a special needs child involves several issues that may not come into play in a typical divorce. Our group is well-versed in the many issues that arise in these cases and has represented many parents of children with special needs, such as those with autism spectrum disorders.

Controlling all custody and parenting time questions, including those of special needs children, is the concept of “best interest of the child”. New Jersey Family Courts rely heavily upon this unquantifiable axiom every day when making the difficult decisions involving parents and children.

For example, when a couple with a special needs child divorces and child support issues are determined, consideration of the financial, medical and therapy needs of this child is even more crucial than those of their other children. Since a special needs child, such as a child with autism, often has more expenses than a child without special needs, New Jersey child support guidelines do not adequately address those needs. Therefore, your family law attorney must be prepared to present a case that demonstrates why the court should deviate from the guidelines.

Further, New Jersey child support guidelines do not take into account the many extraordinary expenses associated with providing care and quality of life for a special needs child, including therapy (speech, occupational and physical), special education, home health care, medications, specialized cars and a wide-range of assistive devices.

A support award that routinely applies the child support guidelines to a special needs situation would not sufficiently cover the actual costs of raising a special needs child.

In addition, special needs children may require a level of structure that necessitates a more unique parenting time arrangement.

As an attorney regularly handling divorce cases involving developmentally disabled and autistic children, family law attorney, Richard C. Klein, Esq. has successfully argued in many New Jersey courtrooms that the special circumstances of children with special needs requires that the Court deviate from guidelines and increase the child support award, and create a custodial environment consistent with the child's needs.

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Richard C. Klein, Partner
Chair, Family Law Group

Richard C. Klein chairs the Family Law Group of Becker Meisel. With impeccable credentials and 37 years of experience, Mr. Klein is well known and highly regarded in the complex arena of family law.

Before joining Becker Meisel, Mr. Klein was the Senior Partner of Richard C. Klein, P.C., practicing family law in South Jersey with offices in Haddonfield and Marlton. The earlier days of Mr. Klein's practice coincided with a period of turmoil for the American family, in which divorce and custody issues became much more common. As these cases accumulated on his desk, Mr. Klein made the decision to focus exclusively on family law.

Three decades later, his expertise in issues such as child custody evaluations, how to respond to the growing demand for family court input, how to approach allegations of physical, emotional, and sexual abuse within the context of visitation and custody disputes, and how to provide services pertaining to children's resistant to visitation and possible parental alienation.

In addition, Mr. Klein's many years of experience in complex divorce litigation has enabled him to approach each case individually, fully understanding and analyzing the specific needs of each child and client, always seeking long term results, as well as working with skilled forensic and valuation experts.

Mr. Klein has extensive experience serving as a source of legal expertise for the media. He has appeared on ABC's *Good Morning America* and *World News Tonight*, CNN's *Sonya Live*, BBC's *Moneyline*, and WHYY's *Radio Times* as well as numerous appearances as the guest legal analyst for CN8's *It's Your Call with Lynn Doyle*. He has been profiled or quoted in articles in many local and national newspapers. His involvement in several landmark custody cases, second-hand smoking cases, and issues concerning Internet Relationships has received broad print and broadcast coverage.

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Mr. Klein has served as chairman of the Domestic Violence sub-committee of the Burlington County Bar Association Family Law Section; past co-chairman of the Camden County Bar Association Family Law Section and Burlington County Family Law Section; a trustee of the Camden County Bar Association from 1993 to 1996; a past member of the Executive Committee of the New Jersey State Bar Association Family Law Section; and a member of major family law committees on the county and state levels. In 1987, he was appointed to the select subcommittee of the New Jersey State Family Law Section for alimony, child support, and maintenance. He earned a J.D. from Rutgers University, and has taught Family Law at several colleges.

Currently, he is a trustee of the Burlington County Bar Association, and member of the State Family Law Committee, and co-chair of the Burlington Family Law Committee.

For additional information and related articles, visit www.richardckleinlaw.com.

Drew A. Molotsky



Drew A. Molotsky is a *Certified Matrimonial Law Attorney* and an associate with the firm. Mr. Molotsky is licensed in New Jersey and Pennsylvania and practices in the Family Law Group, joining Becker Meisel with more than 15 years of experience in Family Law. He handles matters involving divorce, custody, alimony, child support, equitable distribution and domestic violence in both New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

In addition to Family Law, Mr. Molotsky has an active Appellate Practice and draws on years of experience in the areas of Bankruptcy, Landlord/Tenant Law, and Foreclosures.

Mr. Molotsky received his B.A. with Honors from Brandeis University and his J.D. from Widener University School of Law in 1993. He served as Law Clerk to the Hon. Robert W. Page, then Presiding Judge of the Family Court in Camden County.

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He is a former Adjunct Professor of Family Law at Camden County College and is a member of the Camden and Burlington County Family Law Committees, as well as the New Jersey State Bar Association. He also serves as a Panelist on the Burlington and Camden County Matrimonial Early Settlement Panels, and is proud to serve on the District III-B Ethics Committee for investigation and prosecution of ethical violations by members of the bar.

Mr. Molotsky has additionally worked as a volunteer for the Rutgers University Pro Bono Domestic Violence Program and currently lectures for the Burlington County Women's Opportunity Center providing legal advice and counsel to women in transition. Prior affiliations also include the Thomas S. Forkin Family Law Inn of Court.

Colleen M. Washburn

Colleen M. Washburn is an associate at the firm who concentrates her practice in the Family Law group.

Ms. Washburn received her B.A. with honors from Albion College and received her J.D. from Rutgers Law School - Camden in 2010. While in law school, she was an active member on the Street Law Pro Bono program. For her service, Ms. Washburn was awarded the Pro Bono Publico Award. In addition, she participated in the Juvenile Justice Clinic. Currently, Ms. Washburn participates in the A.C.E. program through the Pennsylvania Bar Association teaching civic lessons to students in the Philadelphia School District.

Ms. Washburn is licensed to practice law in both New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

Prior to joining the firm, she served as a law clerk to the Honorable Darrell M. Fineman in both the family and criminal division within the New Jersey Superior Court.

Sharon K. Roth

Sharon K. Roth, AACP, NJCP, is the paralegal in the Family Law Department of Becker Meisel LLC. Ms. Roth has worked closely with all members of the Family Law Department, chaired by Richard C. Klein, Esquire.

She graduated from the Burlington County College Paralegal Studies Program with an AAS and has been a practicing paralegal in New Jersey since 1987. She trained as a family law mediator at the South Jersey Mediation Center, and she specializes in all aspects of Family Law.

Ms. Roth served as a volunteer mediator for the Family Part of the Superior Court of New Jersey, Burlington County, and is a member of the Advisory Committee to the Paralegal Studies Program at Burlington County College. She is the South Jersey Paralegal Association liaison to the Paralegal Committee of the New Jersey State Bar Association, and formerly served as co-chair of the SJPA's Regulation Committee. In that capacity, she co-authored the South Jersey Paralegal Association Response to the 1998 Report of the Supreme Court's Committee on Paralegal Education and Regulation. She is past vice president of the South Jersey Paralegal Association, and she has also served as membership chair and coordinator of its Coffeehouse Presentation Program. She has also co-chaired the Garden State Alliance of Paralegal Associations' Annual Convention.

Ms. Roth is a member of the New Jersey State Bar Association and serves on its Paralegal Committee. She is also a member of the Burlington County Bar Association, South Jersey Paralegal Association, and the American Alliance of Paralegals, Inc., where she has achieved recognition as an American Alliance Certified Paralegal. Most recently, she was awarded the designation of a New Jersey Certified Paralegal.

Firm Profile

Becker Meisel is a premier mid-market firm serving the New York, New Jersey and Philadelphia corridor. The firm provides litigation, transactional, counseling and regulatory representation to clients ranging from major multinational corporations to local businesses, families and individuals. Our size and regional footprint allow us to provide sophisticated services in a manner focused not only on results, but also on our clients' return on their legal investment.

*Becker Meisel has earned an AV rating from Martindale-Hubbell, which is the highest possible rating for legal ability and ethics.**

Becker Meisel is one of the few firms of its size and caliber that can boast of a minority, female founding partner, Stacey Meisel. The belief in diversity starts at the top, and as with many of the firm's corporate clients, is a cornerstone of the firm's mission statement.

Becker Meisel takes great pride in the fact that minority and/or women attorneys are found at every level of the firm, and the firm is committed to hiring from the broadest applicant pool. Much in line with the corporate commitment to the highest business ethics, rigid adherence to the Rules of Professional Conduct is embedded in the firm's culture.

Three former Governors of New Jersey have turned to the firm for advice and guidance on ethics, which included an appointment to conduct a thorough audit of the ethics rules, statutes, regulations, and codes of conduct for all employees of the Executive Branch and state authorities, and provide a comprehensive plan to improve and strengthen them.

The highest quality work product, the investment in technology that allows for a seamless partnership with clients, attention to return on investment (and a rate structure in line with that philosophy), devotion to diversity, professional responsibility, and, above all, a commitment to make our clients' causes our own cause, have been the defining qualities of Becker Meisel. These qualities have garnered the respect of the bench and bar, adversaries and co-counsel, and will be the firm's guiding light for the future.

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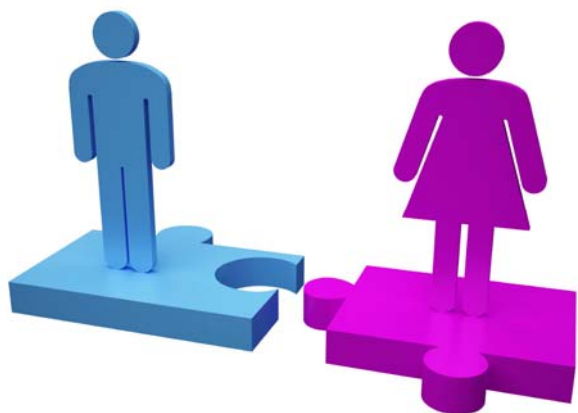
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