



PRACTICE FOCUS

In her 42 years of practice, Linda Sorg Ostovitz has served as a leader, educator and advocate. She is a family law attorney and the Legal Operations Chair at Offit Kurman. She serves on the firm's Board of Directors and is a member of the Management Committee. Linda holds a prestigious fellowship in the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers and is the President of the Maryland Chapter. She is the Board Chair of the Howard County Chamber of Commerce, and is on the boards of Respite Retreats, and the Rotary Club of Columbia Patuxent. She was awarded one of Maryland's Top 100 Women for 3 years and was inducted into the Circle of Excellence. She is a 2020 Her Mind Community Hero.

Linda represents clients in Howard, Anne Arundel, Carroll, Montgomery and Baltimore Counties. Her practice focuses exclusively on divorce litigation and mediation, child custody and access, child support, alimony, business valuation as well as property and asset distribution. In addition to providing legal representation in court, Linda provides mediation services to help families come to a resolution without the need for litigation.

Linda is a strong advocate for her clients and inspires the highest level of confidence, allowing the best and most informed decisions to be made.

She enjoys speaking to groups and guest lecturing for organizations. She also hosts a free Breakfast Bar Series to educate her guests about the varied legal options offered by Offit Kurman.

Her commitment to the community extends to her generous contributions and active participation in Gilchrist Hospice, the Rotary Club of Columbia Patuxent and Respite Retreats.

In her legal practice, she has held the following roles:

- Principal and Legal Operators Chair
- Principal and Practice Group Director, Offit Kurman, 2019-2020
- Principal and Practice Group Leader of the Family Law Practice Group (South), Offit Kurman, 2018-2019
- Member, Silverstein and Ostovitz, LLC, 1999-2015
- Private Practice, 1988-1999
- Senior Assistant State's Attorney, Howard County, 1987-1988
- Assistant State's Attorney, Howard County, 1981-1986
- Victim Witness Coordinator, Howard County State's Attorney's Office, 1979-1981

Linda holds the following certifications:

- Civil Mediation
- Divorce Mediation: Parenting and Child Issues
- Divorce Mediation: Property and Financial Issues
- Collaborative Law Certification
- Family Law Arbitration Certification, American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyer
- Graduate of the Rotary Leadership Institute
- Chesapeake Basic Economic Development Course

Linda is a frequent speaker and has served as a teacher for the following:

- MICPEL Lecturer
- Maryland State Police and Howard County Police Department Academy Lecturer
- National Family Resiliency Center - Parenting Classes
- Seminars on Divorce Options in Maryland
- American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers 2014 Symposium
- Financial Professionals Association
- Breakfast Bar Series

RECOGNITIONS

- Best Lawyers in America, 2023-2024

LINDA S. OSTOVITZ

Principal and Legal Operations Chair, Columbia

PRACTICE AREAS

- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Family Law

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Current Affiliations

- American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, President, Maryland Chapter
- American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, Fellow, 2011 to present
- Howard County Chamber of Commerce - Board Chair, President Elect, Executive Committee & Governance Committee
- Rotary Club of Columbia/Patuxent - Past President, Board Member and Membership Chair
- Respite Retreats, Board of Directors
- Gilchrist Hospice, Taste committee
- Maryland State Bar Association
- Family Law Section
- Howard County Bar Association, 1981 to present
- Business Women's Network of Howard County

- BWN President, 2014-2016

Prior Affiliations

- Professionalism Commission of the Court of Appeals
- Judicial Nominating Commission, Member
- Maryland State Bar Association ADR Section Council
- Maryland State Bar Association Criminal Law Section Council, 1992
- Maryland Criminal Defense Attorneys Association, 1988-1999
- Maryland State's Attorney's Association, 1981-1990
- Howard County Collaborative Professionals
- Leadership Howard County Co-Chair, Business Day
- Leadership Howard County, Steering Committee

- Super Lawyers, Maryland Super Lawyers, 2017-Present
- Maryland's Top 100 Women, 2015, 2019 and 2021 (Inducted into the Circle of Excellence)
- Inaugural Her Mind Community Heroes Award Winner, 2020
- Smart CEO Finalist, 2015
- Woman of Distinction, Business Women's Network of Howard County, 2014

EDUCATION

- University of Baltimore, J.D.
- University of Baltimore, B.S.

AWARDS

ADMISSIONS

- Maryland Court of Appeals
- U. S. District Court
- U. S. Supreme Court