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MARJORIE JUST Principal, Bethesda

PRACTICE AREAS

• Family Law

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Coalition of Women's Initiatives in Law, National Board Member, 2019-present
- Coalition of Women's Initiatives in Law, D.C. Chapter, Former Founding President, 2019-2020
- Coalition of Women's Initiatives in Law, D.C. Chapter, Board Member, 2019-present
- Collaborative Divorce Association in Montgomery County, Maryland, Founding Member
- Maryland Collaborative Practice Council, Founding Member
- Family Law Section of the Montgomery County Bar Association
- Family Law Section of the Howard County Bar Association
- Family Law Section of the Maryland State Bar Association
- Women's Bar Association
- D.C. Academy of Collaborative Professionals
- Court Appointed Family Law Mediator for the Circuit Court for Montgomery County, Maryland
- D.C. Bar Law Firm Pro Bono program. Volunteer Family Law

PRACTICE FOCUS

Marjorie Just is a Principal attorney in the firm's Family Law practice group. Her practice as a family law attorney focuses on the negotiation, settlement and litigation of complex family law matters in Maryland and the District of Columbia, including issues of property distribution, custody, child support, alimony, same-sex marriage and domestic partnerships. She prepares family-related agreements such as pre-marital agreements, separation agreements and reproductive agreements. She is also trained as a family mediator and Collaborative lawyer.

Marjorie has spoken on various continuing legal education panels on issues relating to family law such as tracing of marital and non-marital property, the Fifth Amendment Privilege, drafting of separation agreements, the Child Support Guidelines and same-sex marriage and domestic partnerships.

RECOGNITIONS

- Best Lawyer, Best Lawyers in America, 2024
- Top Divorce Lawyer, Washingtonian Magazine, 2021
- Top Lawyer, Family Law, Washingtonian Magazine, 2020
- Top Divorce Lawyers, Bethesda Magazine, July/August 2017
- Top Divorce Lawyers, Bethesda Magazine, May/June 2010
- "AV Preeminent" rating by Martindale-Hubbell, a peer and judicial rating that signifies the highest level of legal ability and professional ethics, 2013 Present
- Recipient of the 1998 Montgomery County, Maryland, Bar Foundation's Annual Pro Bono Service Award

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

• Episode 4: Where Do I Even Begin?, Divorce Dish with Robin Goelman, 2020, Guest

PUBLICATIONS

- Published Case: Atkinson vs. Atkinson, 730 A.2d 667, D.C., 1999
- "Divorce Decisions: Practical Ways to Protect Yourself, Your Children and Your Wallet," Capital Books, August 2009, Author

CLIENT TESTIMONIALS

I found Marjorie to be a valuable resource during an emotionally difficult time. She is knowledgeable, calm and steady, and was able to evaluate options dispassionately to help me arrive at the best possible solution from an array of less-than-ideal options. I wholeheartedly recommend her.

Former Client

Marjorie Just is the best divorce lawyer I've ever heard of. She is brilliant and quick and imaginative and ever considerate of my financial capabilities. She was a good guide through each of the mazes of legal, family and other issues which required dealing with many other lawyers and experts. I came out of the process so very much better than when I started — and that is because of Marjorie Just.

Former Client

EDUCATION

- George Washington University Law School, J.D.
- Duke University, A.B., cum laude

ADMISSIONS

- Maryland
- District of Columbia

