

## Family Law

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Our attorneys focus on the unique needs of each client to achieve a fair resolution that avoids unnecessary public displays and anxiety that often arise in divorce proceedings. We provide expert counsel in child custody matters, visitation and support issues and prenuptial agreements. We handle post-judgment matters as well, such as modification of spousal support, child support and child custody.

## Family Law

- Adoption
- Annulments
- Business valuations
- Child custody and support matters
- Court intervention
- Dissolution of cohabitation agreements
- Domestic and international child custody
- Paternity suits
- Personal protection orders
- Personal relationship transitions
- Pre and post nuptial agreements
- Separation agreements
- Tax issues

## Estate Planning and Probate

- Determine your goals and objectives
- Create a customized estate plan
- Reduce or eliminate death taxes
- Avoid probate

## Real Estate

- Property division
- Community property
- Sale and separate property
- Corporate real estate valuation and assessment

## GMH Family Law Attorneys

**Matthew S. Weaver** *Board of Directors, Chair, Family Law Section*

Mr. Weaver is a partner and concentrates his practice in the areas of family law and real property litigation. He is involved in all aspects of family law and specializes in areas of custody disputes and matters involving a change of domicile to another state.

**Keela Gracey** *Family Law*

Ms. Gracey concentrates her practice entirely in family law. She specifically focuses on domestic relations and adoption matters. She has served as a court appointed ad litem and parenting time coordinator and also handles guardianships and conservatorships for children and adults.

**Mark S. Papazian** *Family Law*

Mr. Papazian concentration is in family law, custody disputes, business and commercial litigation. His practice also focuses on the hospitality and restaurant industry. He is uniquely qualified to represent sellers and purchasers of commercial properties for restaurant development.

**LeRoy H. Wulfmeier, III** *Board of Directors, Chair, Medical Malpractice Defense Section and Family Law*

Mr. Wulfmeier is a partner in our litigation group with over 35 years of experience defending health care providers in complex medical malpractice cases; representing both husbands and wives in acrimonious marital, custody and property disputes; and representing plaintiffs and defendants in personal injury cases.

**Geoffrey S. Wagner** *Family Law*

Mr. Wagner is a shareholder in the GMH Litigation Group. He concentrates his practice in the areas of commercial litigation, personal injury and family law. In 2013 and 2014, he was recognized as a Rising Star by Super Lawyers and a Top Lawyer by dBusiness Magazine.

**Kellie DeVito** *Family Law*

Ms. DeVito has extensive experience practicing in all areas of family law including the complex legal issues of custody, support and property division in divorces involving long term marriages and the acquisition of substantial assets. She also has experience in resolving post-judgment disputes and drafting prenuptial and postnuptial agreements.

**Elena Djordjeski** *Family Law*

Ms. Djordjeski is an associate in the firm's Family Law Group. She focuses her practice on family law, criminal defense, and civil litigation.

## Experts in Related Fields

**William H. Heritage, III** *Board of Directors, Chair, Business Practice Section*

Mr. Heritage concentrates his practice in the areas of mergers and acquisitions, business formation, planning and transactions, corporate law, health care law and real estate law. He has 20 years of experience in dealing with complex business and commercial transactions within a broad range of industries including the representation of small to large privately-held businesses.

**William H. Horton** *Board of Directors, Chair, Business and Commercial Litigation Sections*

Mr. Horton has been trying lawsuits for over 25 years, primarily in the areas of business and commercial disputes, employment law, and real estate. Many cases involve the automobile industry. He is certified as a Civil Trial Specialist by the National Board of Trial Advocacy.

**Timothy J. Mullins** *Board of Directors, Chair, Litigation, Schools and Education*

Mr. Mullins has been successfully representing Michigan public school districts for more than 30 years. Mr. Mullin's representation of public school districts includes: employment discrimination, constitutional litigation, general education, special education, personal injury, serious school bus accidents, workers' compensation and more.

**Andrew T. Baran** *Board of Directors, Chair, Employment and Labor Section*

Mr. Baran concentrates his practice in the areas of labor and employment law, including NLRB proceedings, civil rights and wrongful discharge litigation, contract negotiations and arbitration.

**Dennis M. Rauss** *Business, Employment and Real Estate*

Mr. Rauss concentrates his practice in the areas of business litigation, real estate, employment and family law.

## Additional Expertise

### Taxation

- Tax planning for individuals, corporations, estates and trusts
- Corporate taxation, including S corporations
- Corporate and business reorganizations, mergers, acquisitions and liquidations
- Partnership and limited liability company taxation
- International taxation of entities and individuals
- Qualified and non-qualified pension and profit sharing plans and ESOPs
- Excise tax matters
- Tax audits — federal, state and local
- Litigation in the United States Tax Court; United States District Court; United States Court of Federal Claims; Michigan Tax Tribunal; and the State of Michigan Court of Claims
- Appeals to all federal and state appellate courts, including the United States Supreme Court
- Tax collection activities, both federal and state
- Employment tax penalties

### Finance/Reorganization

- Strategic analysis
- Due diligence
- Preliminary agreements
- Transaction planning
- Negotiation and documentation
- Financing
- Closing and post-closing

### Corporate

- Advise clients with selecting the best type of business entity, management structure, financing package and executive compensation plan
- Assist clients with employee, landlord and customer issues
- Handle buy-sell arrangements and succession plans