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PRACTICE AREAS

Family Law
Child & Spousal Support
Cohabitation & Prenuptial
Agreements
Division of Property
Mediation, Arbitration,
Litigation
Parenting & Custody
Cryptocurrency & Blockchain

I ease the fear and doubt—and distill the negativity—from separation and divorce.

Asher works only in family law and focuses on finding timely and costeffective resolutions in difficult situations. He believes guiding clients through risks, opportunities, and settlement options is necessary for positive results. He views lawyers as peacemakers and discourages litigation, but court is sometimes the right choice, and he is a skilled advocate.

Asher is highly recommended by clients, earning him a rating of 5 out of 5 on Martindale Hubbell and Lawyers.com.

Education

2013 University of Richmond, Virginia, JD

2007 Mount Royal College, BIBSCM

Admissions

2015 Alberta

2013 Virginia

Experience

Litigation

- Appeared at all levels of Court in Alberta (Provincial, Queen's Bench, Appeal)
- Appears often in Morning Chambers to argue interim matters related to parenting and support

Mediation and Arbitration

- 90% of client files end up in a mediated setting and with a settlement
- Multiple arbitrations in 2017 over issues of mobility
- Five-day arbitration in 2018 over parenting

Notable decisions include:

- MacDonald v Brodoff, 2020 ABCA 246
- GM v JB, 2019 ABQB 772

Recognition

HONOURS AND AWARDS

- Asher comes highly recommended by clients, giving him a 5 out of 5 ("Silver" rating) by *Martindale-Hubbell*.
- Order of Barristers, US National Honours Society, 2013
- National Champion, Judge John R. Brown National Admiralty Moot Court Competition, 2013
- Best Brief Award, Maritime Law Association of the United States, 2013
- Super-Regional Finalist, American Bar Association National Appellate Advocacy Competition, 2013
- Region IV Finalist, New York City Bar National Moot Court Competition, 2012
- Moot Court President, University of Richmond School of Law, 2011
- Champion, University of Richmond School of Law Barnett 1L Moot Court Competition, 2011

Memberships

Calgary Bar Association

- Canadian Bar Association
- Law Society of Alberta
- Virginia State Bar