

Michele Sacks Lowenstein, CLS-F*

Curriculum Vitae

LICENSES HELD

Licensed Attorney - State of California, 1981 - Present

PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATIONS

*Certified Family Law Specialist (CLS-F), California Board of Legal Specialization

AV® Preeminent Rated Attorney, Martindale-Hubbell

BAR ADMISSIONS

1981 California State Bar
1982 United States Tax Court
1982 United States Court, Southern District of California

DEGREES, EDUCATION & CONTINUING EDUCATION

1987 Collaborative Divorce Training
Stu Webb, Founder of Collaborative Divorce

1985 Mediation Training (over 40 hours)
Northern California Mediation Center, San Rafael, CA

1981 J.D. (cum laude)
California Western School of Law, San Diego, CA

1978 Bachelor of Arts in Humanities
Thomas Edison State College, Trenton, NJ

PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

12/81 - Present Family Attorney & Founder
Lowenstein Brown, APLC, San Diego, CA

FAMILY LAW AREAS OF EMPHASIS & EXPERTISE

Complex Financial Matters
Divorce Involving Those 50 and Over
Divorce and Retirement Planning
Mediation
Consultation and Association of Counsel in Litigation Cases
Collaborative Divorce
Appointment as Special Master/Referee

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Member, California State Bar
Member, Family Law Section, California State Bar

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Top Lawyer in Divorce and Family Law, San Diego Magazine, 2013 to Present,
Super Lawyers Designation, 2007 to Present
Top Attorney Designation, San Diego Daily Transcript, Multiple Years

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Judge Pro Tem, Superior Court of the State of California
County of San Diego, San Diego, CA

Former Chair of Family Law Section (3 terms)
San Diego County Bar Association, San Diego, CA

Fee Arbitrator
San Diego County Bar Association, San Diego, CA

Former Member of Lawyer Referral & Information Committee
San Diego County Bar Association, San Diego, CA

PUBLICATIONS QUOTED IN

DiGiacomo, Robert (2016). Managing Health Insurance Through Divorce. *HCC Medical Insurance Services*. January 27, 2016.

Kramer, Beth Cone (2015). The Chemistry of Divorce. *Huffington Post*. July 28, 2015.

Woodruff, Mandy (2013). 9 Cities Where Getting a Divorce Will Cost You the Most. *Business Insider*.

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MODY, C.J. (2010). Small Firms, Big Impact. *San Diego Lawyer Magazine*. Interview of Michele S. Lowenstein, Dan Kehr and Stephen Ure. September/October 2010. Pg. 26-31.

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Lowenstein, Michele (2011). [Legally Speaking: Filing joint federal taxes?](#) Gay San Diego. March 25, 2011.

Lowenstein, Michele (2010). [Same-sex domestic violence: the elephant in the living room.](#) Gay San Diego. October 10, 2010.

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