

2023 Family Law Symposium

Seminar or Event

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Hyatt Regency, New Brunswick

Mark H. Sobel, chair of the firm's **Family Law Department**, and **Frank A. Louis**, a partner in the Department, will speak at the 2023 Family Law Symposium, to be presented by the New Jersey Institute for Continuing Legal Education in cooperation with the NJSBA Family Law Section on January 27 & 28, 2023, at the Hyatt Regency in New Brunswick.

On Friday, January 27 from 6:00pm - 8:00pm, NJICLE will present a review and evaluation of child support and child support guidelines. Mr. Louis will address the use of trusts and other devices to secure payment of child support, educational expenses, and other extraordinary expenses, especially for children for whom the probation departments will not collect support because the children may have aged out. Other topics to be covered include:

- The guidelines, what they are designed to accomplish, how they are determined, what is included and how they can be improved. Also, the proposals that are anticipated to come from the Family Law Executive Committee Task Force on the child support guidelines.
- Child support and expenses for "special needs" children, including the use of special needs trusts and other arrangements. Also, information and discussion on what governmental and educational services are available and how to access them.
- Expenses that may, or may not, be included in the guidelines calculations, i.e. auto and auto insurance expenses, tutoring, sports and extracurricular activities as well as some considerations for above guideline cases.

On Saturday, January 28 from 9:00am - 4:30pm, NJICLE will address a broader range of family law issues. Mr. Sobel will participate in a panel discussion on "Areas of Family Law in Need of Change" and Mr. Louis will lecture on "The Use of Trusts in Family Law." Other topics to be covered include:

- The Top Cases of 2022
- Preparing Your Alimony Case Based on the Alimony Factors, Not Formulas
- Parental Alienation/Refuse/Resist Dynamics
- DEI and Cultural Competence in Court Appointments in Family Court: Where are We Now?

Mr. Sobel concentrates his practice in litigation, primarily in the area of family law and with an emphasis on the representation of high net-worth individuals. He provides counsel across all aspects of family law, including prenuptial agreements, separation and divorce proceedings, the distribution of property and other marital assets, spousal and child support, custody and relocation. He represents clients at trial, in mediations and arbitrations, and at post judgment modification and enforcement hearings. He is certified by the Supreme Court of New Jersey as a Matrimonial Law Attorney.

Mr. Louis concentrates his practice in the area of family law. He has over 45 years of extensive experience in negotiating and litigating economically complex divorce cases, representing clients in all aspects of divorce including asset distribution, child support and alimony. He has been broadly recognized by his peers as a preeminent member of the New Jersey family law bar. Mr. Louis is a Fellow of the American College of Family Trial Lawyers and the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers. He is the co-author of the treatise *New Jersey Family Law Volume II: Divorce, Alimony & Property Division*, published by Gann Law Books.

Additional program details and registration for the [Friday night program](#) and the [Saturday program](#) are on the NJICLE website.

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