

DIANA E. RICHMOND, Partner

Family Law

DESCRIPTION OF PRACTICE

Diana Richmond concentrates her practice on family law. A Certified Family Law Specialist for more than 28 years, Ms. Richmond has a breadth of experience in nearly every aspect of this area, including complex marital property issues, spousal and child support, child custody, parentage, premarital agreements, and family law appeals. She works as a mediator, settlement conference facilitator or private adjudicator for family law and related controversies, including domestic partnerships, and handles premarital and marital agreements and appeals for clients. Ms. Richmond finds that mediation enhances participants' autonomy in decision-making and promotes creative solutions to family law issues.

Ms. Richmond has been recognized for more than 25 years in *The Best Lawyers in America*, and was named by that publication as the San Francisco Family Law Lawyer of the Year in 2009. In 2007, she received the Hall of Fame Award from the Association of Certified Family Law Specialists. In 2003, she was listed as one of the "Top 25 Attorneys in the Bay Area" by the *San Francisco Chronicle*, as well as one of the top two Bay Area family law attorneys by the *San Francisco Recorder*.

Ms. Richmond joined Sideman & Bancroft LLP after heading her own family law office for more than 23 years.

PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT

Ms. Richmond writes and speaks frequently on family law issues. She serves as editorial consultant to the *Matthew Bender California Family Law Practice and Procedure*, 2d and to *California Family Law Monthly*, for which she writes bimonthly commentaries. She was consulting editor for *California Continuing Education of the Bar, Marital Termination Settlements* (1988).

In 1985, Ms. Richmond was named the first Judith McKelvey Award recipient for Outstanding Alumna from the Golden Gate University Law School. In 1990, she received the Outstanding Alumni Award from the University.

Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*®: 1983-2009

Listed in *Northern California Super Lawyers*®: 2004-2009

Listed in *Top Ten Northern California Super Lawyers*®: 2005, 2007

Listed in *Northern California "Top 50 Women" Super Lawyers*®: 2004-2009

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EDUCATION

B.A., University of Chicago, 1967

J.D., Golden Gate University Law School, with highest honors, 1973

Certified Family Law Specialist, State Bar of California
Board of Legal Specialization

DECISIONS

In re Marriage Cases, 43 Cal.4th 757 (2008)

K.M. v. E.G., 37 Cal.4th 130 (2005)

In re Marriage of Ousterman, 46 Cal.App.4th 1090 (1996)

In re Marriage of Reuling, 23 Cal.App.4th 1428 (1994)

In re Marriage of Smith, 225 Cal.App.3d 469 (1990)

In re Marriage of Joseph, 217 Cal.App.3d 1277 (1990)

In re Marriage of Joseph, 215 Cal.App.3d 416 (1989)

In re Marriage of Wellman, 104 Cal.App.3d 992 (1980)

In re Marriage of Richmond, 105 Cal.App.3d 352 (1980)