

# Lorne H. Wolfson



Practice focus:

Spousal and child support

Equalization of property

Custody and access

Separation agreements

Marriage and cohabitation agreements

Divorce

Adoption

Child protection

Litigation, mediation and arbitration services

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Lorne is a senior member of the Family Law bar and a senior partner in Torkin Manes' Family Law Group. His practice includes all aspects of family law, including divorce, custody and access, property, support, and domestic contracts. He conducts litigation in every level of court in Ontario, as well as providing mediation and arbitration services. He also acts as counsel to lawyers and accountants addressing family law concerns that arise in business, wills and estates, and personal financial planning.

Lorne is Certified as a Specialist in Family Law by The Law Society of Upper Canada. He has been named as a repeatedly recommended family law practitioner in the "Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory" and has been recognized by his peers and selected to be included in "Best Lawyers in Canada." He is a Dispute Resolution Officer of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice and sits on the Family Law Rules Committee.

### **Publications**

"Money and Family Law," Founding co-editor, Carswell, 1986-2011

"Family Mediation, Arbitration and Collaborative Practice Handbook, 5th edition," Co-author, Butterworths, 2009

"Best of Money and Family Law," Carswell, 1998

"The New Family Law," Random House, 1987

Lorne has published over 100 articles on various family law topics.

## **Speaking/Teaching Engagements**

"Alternative Dispute Resolution and Family Law," and "Common Tax Mistakes in Family Law Cases," Ontario Bar Association, 2008

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"Drafter Beware: Common Mistakes in Drafting Separation Agreements," Osgoode Hall Professional Development, 2008

"Family Arbitration in Canada," National Family Law Program, 2010

"The Future of Mediation and Arbitration," Association of Family and Conciliation Courts Conference, 2010

"Family Law Do's and Don'ts for Financial Advisors," Jewish Foundation of Greater Toronto, 2008

"Recent Amendments to the Family Law Act," Annual Conference of Superior Court Judges, 2009

As well, Lorne regularly appears in the media commenting on family law issues.

### **Professional Affiliations**

- Fellow of the International Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers
- · Canadian Bar Association
- · American Bar Association
- Advocates' Society

## **Community Involvement**

- · Past president, Jewish Family and Child Service of Toronto
- · Board member, Association of Jewish Family and Children Agencies of North America
- Professional Advisory Committee, Jewish Foundation of Greater Toronto

#### Education

- · Called to the Ontario Bar, 1977
- LLM, University of British Columbia, 1976
- · LLB, Osgoode Hall Law School, 1974