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WHO WE ARE

Based in Cape Town MP|W, is one of South Africa's most innovative specialist providers of family law solutions.

We pride ourselves in providing exceptional legal advice on a full range of family law services and we offer a wealth of experience to ensure a compassionate, straight forward no nonsense approach to Family Law.

Our lawyers are sensitive to the very difficult psychological challenges people face during divorce and separation. Our personalized approach allows our clients to deal with divorce using a number of creative approaches.

We have an understanding of the psychology of families and the impact of family breakdown and what happens when couples separate. We believe in the supreme importance of trust, mutual respect, and good communication between our clients and us to have a successful working relationship and a positive legal outcome.

WHAT WE DO

- Contested / Opposed Divorces.
- Uncontested / Unopposed Divorces.
- International Divorces Cases and Expert Opinions.
- Divorce Mediation and Collaborative Divorce.
- General Family Law Matters.
- Parental Responsibilities and Rights.
- Custody (care and contact) of Children.
- Same Sex Marriages - Gay and Lesbian .
- Unmarried Fathers Rights and Access to Children.
- Domestic Violence Matters and Protection Orders.
- International Child Abduction (Hague Convention Applications).
- Care and Contact disputes concerning Children.
- Child and Spousal Maintenance Law.
- Antenuptial Contracts and Pre-nuptial Agreements.
- Surrogacy Applications and Adoption Law.
- Cohabitation Agreements.
- Universal Partnerships.
- Rule 43 Applications and Urgent Monetary Relief Applications.

Our Team



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Bertus Preller is also an experienced Family Law and Divorce attorney and mediator. He is the author of *Everyone's Guide To Divorce and Separation*, published by Random House (2013). He has been quoted on Family Law issues in various newspapers such as the Sunday Times and Business Times and magazines such as Noseweek, Keur, Living and Loving, Longevity, You and Huisgenoot, and also appears frequently on the SABC television show 3 Talk. He also appeared on the Morning Live Show of SABC2, on RSG and the 5FM Breakfast Show with Gareth Cliff.

His speciality fields are:

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Nicole Martin is a specialist attorney in Family, Matrimonial and Divorce Law and obtained her LLB degree in 2014 at the University of the Free State, where she was also a member of the Academic Committee. After her studies she joined the firm Drake, Flemmer & Orsmond in East London as a Candidate Attorney and was admitted as an Attorney in 2017. She later became the head of the Family Law Department as a specialist Family Law Attorney. Nicole is also an accredited and experienced Family Law and Divorce Law Mediator accredited by the National Accreditation Board for Family Mediators.

Her speciality fields are:

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Tyla De Leeuw is an associate attorney in the Family and Divorce Law Department and obtained a Bachelor of Laws (LLB) and a Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Cape Town at UCT, during 2017. Tyla joined the firm John Hudson Attorneys as a Candidate Attorney and was admitted as an Attorney in 2021. She later joined the Family Law Practice of Brian Segal as an associate, who was a partner of the late Abe Swersky one of Cape Town's best ever Divorce Attorneys. During 2022, Tyla joined the Family Law Department of Maurice Phillips Wisenberg as an associate. Tyla is an attorney with a creative mindset with a focus on problem solving.

Her areas of expertise are:

- Divorce Law and Family Law
- Parenting Plans, Custody (care and contact) of children)
- Parental Responsibilities and Rights
- Same Sex Marriages
- Unmarried Fathers Rights
- Family Violence Interdicts
- International Child Abduction and Hague Convention Cases
- International Divorce Law
- Collaborative Family Law
- Maintenance and Rule 43 Applications
- Cohabitation Law and Universal Partnerships



Kayla Spinoy is a Candidate Attorney. Her fields of expertise include:

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