

**APPLICATION  
FOR  
BOARD CERTIFIED SPECIALIZATION IN FAMILY LAW**

**Return Application and \$500 fee to:**

State Bar of Nevada  
Attn: Family Law Specialization Application  
3100 W. Charleston Boulevard, Suite 100  
Las Vegas, Nevada 89102

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Nevada Bar No. \_\_\_\_\_

3. Residential Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4. Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

5. Preferred Mailing Address:  Above Residential Address  
 Above Business Address  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

6. Phone Contact Information: \_\_\_\_\_ Office  
\_\_\_\_\_ Cellular  
\_\_\_\_\_ Home  
\_\_\_\_\_ Facsimile

7. E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Website: \_\_\_\_\_

8. Is your residence and domicile within fifty (50) miles of a county with a population of 100,000 or more (Clark or Washoe counties)?

Yes  No Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

9. Are you an active member in good standing of the State Bar of Nevada and the Family Law Section thereof?

Yes  No Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

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10. I authorize the State Bar of Nevada to confirm that I am an active member in good standing and that I am a member of the Family Law Section thereof.

Yes  No

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

The terms "Family Law" and "Principal Counsel" as used herein are defined in Sections 2.0 and 3.6 of the Standards for Board Certified Specialization in Family Law.

11. During the last 5 calendar years have you been (1) a sitting judge or master in a family law division, or (2) a judge or master in general jurisdiction and had a caseload which is at least thirty-five percent (35%) family law matters?

Yes  No

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, identify all such years. \_\_\_\_\_ Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

12. In each of the last 5 calendar years, how much of your practice has been devoted to Nevada Family Law, as measured on a time spent basis of a lawyer engaged in a normal full-time practice?

20_____	_____ %	Initials: _____
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13. In each of the last 5 calendar years, have you been the principal counsel in at least thirty (30) contested family law cases each calendar year?

Yes  No

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

If "no", complete and attach an affidavit stating why you are requesting an exemption from the requirement of at least thirty (30) contested family law cases each calendar year as required by Section 3.4 of the Standards for Board Certified Specialization in Family Law.

14. In the last five calendar years, have you been principal counsel in at least ten (10) contested hearings or trials, which are two (2) hours or more in length and involve testimony of witnesses?

Yes  No

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

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15. If you answered “no” to Question 14, in the last 5 calendar years, have you been principal counsel in a minimum of sixty (60) negotiated family law judgments or negotiated marital settlement agreements, in which the adverse party was represented by counsel?

Yes  No  N/A

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

If “yes”, complete and attach a General Supplement listing said 60 cases, including case name, case number, Judge, opposing counsel, and calendar year.

16. If you answered “no” to Question 14, in the last 5 calendar years, have you been principal counsel and principal author of the briefs in three (3) Nevada Supreme Court family law appeals in which an opinion was filed?

Yes  No  N/A

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

If “yes”, complete and attach a Supplement listing said cases, including case name, case number, case citation if applicable, opposing counsel, and year.

17. Please identify, on the attached Reference Supplement, five (5) to eight (8) members in good standing of the Nevada Bar who are substantially involved in the practice of Nevada family law, have been opposing counsel to the applicant either in litigation, hearing or negotiation of a family law matter, within the five (5) calendar years immediately preceding application, and who otherwise qualify to offer such reference pursuant to the terms of Section 4.0 of the Standards for Board Certified Specialization in Family Law, to whom you have provided a copy of the Reference Form included in the application packet.

18. Please Identify, on the attached Reference Supplement, two (2) Judges of any Nevada Court before whom you have appeared as an advocate in a family law matter and who are familiar with your competence, to which you have provided a copy of the Reference Form referral form included in the application packet.

19. Have you completed an average of eighteen (18) hours of Continuing Legal Education in family law over the last five (5) calendar years immediately preceding application, which shall include a minimum of not less than twelve (12) hours of CLE in family law completed annually in each of the previous five (5) calendar years immediately preceding application as defined in Section 5.0 of the Standards for Board Certified Specialization in Family Law,?

Yes  No

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

If “yes”, identify such courses on the attached Supplement to Question 19.

If “no”, please identify with specificity and detail, on an attached General Supplement to this application, the sufficient other comparable legal education activity in family law as described in Section 5.0(b) of the Standards for Board Certified Specialization in Family Law.

20. Are you or have you ever been the subject of any investigation, complaint, inquiry or other disciplinary proceedings by any organized bar, including any local, state, or district grievance committee of an organized bar?

Yes  No

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

If “yes”, on an attached General Supplement to this application, please provide all details, copies of all documents associated therewith as described in Section 6.0 of the Standards for Board Certified Specialization in Family Law, and execute a Release authorizing access to such information.

21. Have you ever been reprimanded (private or public), suspended, disbarred, or otherwise disciplined by any Federal and/or State Court, Federal and/or State administrative agency, and/or other agencies of competent jurisdiction?

Yes  No

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

If “yes”, on an attached General Supplement to this application, please provide all details, copies of all documents associated therewith as described in Section 6.0 of the Standards for Board Certified Specialization in Family Law, and execute a Release authorizing access to such information.

22. Have you ever been subject to any prior (or are you subject to any pending) disciplinary complaints or actions?

Yes  No

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

If “yes”, on an attached General Supplement to this application, please provide all details, copies of all documents associated therewith as described in Section 6.0 of the Standards for Board Certified Specialization in Family Law, and execute a Release authorizing access to such information. Please note Fee Disputes do not need to be disclosed.

23. Have you been convicted of a felony since you were admitted to the practice of law?

Yes  No

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

If “yes”, on an attached General Supplement to this application, please provide all details, copies of all documents associated therewith as described in Section 6.0 of the Standards for Board Certified Specialization in Family Law, and execute a Release authorizing access to such information.

24. Do you have any pending or prior civil matters involving malpractice or other attorney misconduct?

Yes  No

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

If “yes”, on an attached General Supplement to this application, please provide all details, copies of all documents associated therewith as described in Section 6.0 of the Standards for Board Certified Specialization in Family Law, and execute a Release authorizing access to such information.

25. Have you even been subject to sanctions imposed by a Federal and/or State Court, Federal and/or State administrative agency, and/or other agencies of competent jurisdiction for a violation of Federal Rules of Civil Procedure Rule 11, Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure Rule 11 and/or a finding(s) of ineffective assistance of counsel?

Yes  No

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

If “yes”, on an attached General Supplement to this application, please provide all details, copies of all documents associated therewith as described in Section 6.0 of the Standards for Board Certified Specialization in Family Law, and execute a Release authorizing access to such information.

26. Have you ever been disciplined and/or sanctioned, including contempt, by a Federal and/or State Court, Federal and/or State administrative agency, and/or other agencies of competent jurisdiction?

Yes  No

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

If “yes”, on an attached General Supplement to this application, please provide all details, copies of all documents associated therewith as described in Section 6.0 of the Standards for Board Certified Specialization in Family Law, and execute a Release authorizing access to such information.

27. Do you acknowledge that throughout the certification process, beginning upon the filing of this application, that (1) you are subject to a continuing duty to promptly furnish a statement to the Board of Certified Family Law Specialists disclosing if you become subject to an investigation, complaint, inquiry, or other disciplinary proceedings by any organized bar, including any local, state, or district grievance committee of an organized bar as well as, pending or prior disciplinary sanctions, which include disbarment, resignation in lieu of discipline, indefinite disability suspension, suspension for a specific period of time, probated suspension, public reprimand, or private reprimand; pending or prior disciplinary complaints or actions; any felony conviction(s) that arose after the date the attorney was admitted to the practice of law; any pending or prior civil matters involving malpractice or other attorney misconduct; sanctions imposed by a Federal and/or State Court, Federal and/or State administrative agency, and/or other agencies of competent jurisdiction for a violation of Federal Rules of Civil Procedure Rule 11, Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure Rule 11 and/or a finding(s) of ineffective assistance of counsel; and, disciplined and/or sanctioned, including contempt, by a Federal and/or State Court,

Federal and/or State administrative agency, and/or other agencies of competent jurisdiction, within 30 days of notification of, and within 30 days of the conclusion thereof, and (2) that you are required to provide the details and documents of such investigation, complaint, inquiry, or proceedings as described in Section 6.0 of the Standards for Board Certified Specialization in Family Law within 30 days of notification of, and within 30 days of the conclusion thereof, and (3) that the requirement herein is on-going and requires prompt mandatory supplemental disclosure within 30 days of notification of, and within 30 days of the conclusion thereof, without delay?

Yes  No

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

28. Do you acknowledge that failure to disclose such information as described in Section 6.0 of the Standards for Board Certified Specialization in Family Law shall constitute a material misrepresentation and may be cause for rejection, suspension, revocation and/or other appropriate action?

Yes  No

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

29. Do you carry professional liability insurance as set forth in Nevada Rule of Professional Conduct 7.4(d)(2)(iii)?

Yes  No  N/A

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

If “yes”, please attach a copy of the declarations page(s) of your policy or other proof of the existence of such coverage.

30. Is your practice limited to public law?

Yes  No

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

31. Have you enclosed a check made payable to the State Bar of Nevada Family Law Section in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for the application, examination, and certification process?

Yes  No

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

32. Do you acknowledge that Certification may be denied because of a failure to furnish requested information or documentation, or because of misrepresentation of any material fact?

Yes  No

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

33. Do you acknowledge that the decisions of the Board of Certified Family Law Specialists are final and not subject to further review or appeal, other than as required or specifically permitted by the Nevada Board of Bar Governors?

Yes  No

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

**I, \_\_\_\_\_, under the penalty of perjury, execute the forgoing Application for Board Certified Specialization in Family Law, together with all the Supplements and Attachments thereto, and verify that I have read the foregoing, know the contents thereof; and the content are true of my own knowledge.**

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF NEVADA            )  
  )ss:  
COUNTY OF                    )

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_, personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, \_\_\_\_\_, who acknowledged that he/she executed the above document.

\_\_\_\_\_  
NOTARY PUBLIC, in and for  
said County and State

**GENERAL SUPPLEMENT TO QUESTION \_\_\_\_\_**

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Initials: \_\_\_\_\_



**REFERENCE SUPPLEMENT**

Attorney References

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Nevada Bar No: \_\_\_\_\_  
Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Nevada Bar No: \_\_\_\_\_  
Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Nevada Bar No: \_\_\_\_\_  
Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_
8. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Nevada Bar No: \_\_\_\_\_  
Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Judicial References

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Nevada Bar No: \_\_\_\_\_  
Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Nevada Bar No: \_\_\_\_\_  
Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

**SUPPLEMENT TO QUESTION 19**

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List chronologically, from most recent course.

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Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

**CONFIDENTIAL ATTORNEY REFERENCE FORM**

Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

This confidential Reference Form is completed as a Supplement to the above-reference applicant's Application for Board Certified Specialization in Family Law.

Note: This reference is *confidential* and will not be shown to the applicant.

Name of individual completing this Reference: \_\_\_\_\_

Nevada Bar No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of law firm or employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

- (1) I certify that I am a member in good standing of the State Bar of Nevada.  
 Yes  No Initials: \_\_\_\_\_
  
- (2) I certify that I am substantially involved in the practice of Nevada family law.  
 Yes  No Initials: \_\_\_\_\_
  
- (3) I certify that I am not be related to, or engaged in legal practice with, the above lawyer seeking Board Certified Specialization in Family Law.  
 Yes  No Initials: \_\_\_\_\_
  
- (4) I certify that I am familiar with the competence of the Applicant and have been opposing counsel to the Applicant, either in litigation, hearing or negotiation of a family law matter, within the past five calendar (5) years.  
 Yes  No Initials: \_\_\_\_\_
  
- (5) I attest to the applicant's expertise in the area of Family Law.  
 Yes  No Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

(6) I recommend the Applicant be granted Board Certified Specialization in Family Law.

Yes  No

Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

(7) What other information can you provide that will be helpful in evaluating the extent of the applicant's expertise in the practice of family law?

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF NEVADA            )  
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Name of Judge completing this Reference: \_\_\_\_\_

Nevada Bar No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Court: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Yes  No Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

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Yes  No Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

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Yes  No Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

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