

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

Return Application and \$500 fee to:

State Bar of Nevada
Attn: Family Law Specialization Application
600 E Charleston Blvd
Las Vegas, NV 89104

(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
_____ Facsimile
_____ Home
_____ Cellular

(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 have executed the attached Consent Form authorizing the State Bar of Nevada to confirm

that I am a 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 2.1 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 division and had a caseload 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 calendar years indicated below, 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?

2009	-	_____%	Initials:_____
2008	-	_____%	Initials:_____
2007	-	_____%	Initials:_____
2006	-	_____%	Initials:_____
2005	-	_____%	Initials:_____

(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 attached an affidavit why you are requesting an exemption from the requirement for at least thirty (30) contested family law cases each calendar year as required by Section 3.4.1 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:_____

- (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 4.1.1 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 whom 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 calendar years, as defined in Section 5.1.2 of the Standards for Board Certified Specialization in Family Law, immediately preceding this application.

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 5.1.3 of the Standards for Board Certified Specialization in Family Law.

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- (20) Are you 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, and execute a Release authorizing access to such information.

- (21) Have ever been reprimanded, suspended, disbarred or otherwise disciplined by any court or grievance committee?

Yes No Initials:_____

If “yes”, on an attached General Supplement to this application, please provide all details, copies of all documents associated therewith, and execute a Release authorizing access to such information.

- (22) 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, (2) that you are required to provide the details of such investigation, complaint, inquiry or proceedings, and (3) that the requirement herein is on-going and requires prompt mandatory supplemental disclosure without delay?

Yes No Initials:_____

- (23) Do you acknowledge that failure to disclose such information shall constitute a material misrepresentation and may be cause for rejection, or other appropriate action?

Yes No Initials:_____

- (24) Do you carry professional liability insurance as set forth in Supreme Court Rule 198(3)(a)(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.

(25) Is your practice limited to public law?

Yes No Initials:_____

(26) 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:_____

(27) 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:_____

(28) 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 penalty of perjury, execute the forgoing Application for Board Certified Specialization in Family Law, together with all 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

Initials: _____

REFERENCE SUPPLEMENT

Attorney References

1. Name: _____ Nevada Bar No. _____
Employer: _____
Address: _____
2. Name: _____ Nevada Bar No. _____
Employer: _____
Address: _____
3. Name: _____ Nevada Bar No. _____
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Address: _____
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7. Name: _____ Nevada Bar No. _____
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Address: _____
8. Name: _____ Nevada Bar No. _____
Employer: _____
Address: _____

Judicial References

1. Name: _____ Nevada Bar No. _____
Court: _____
Address: _____
2. Name: _____ Nevada Bar No. _____
Court: _____
Address: _____

Initials: _____

SUPPLEMENT TO QUESTION 19

List chronologically, from most recent course.

Course: _____ Date(s): _____
Sponsor: _____ CLE Hours: _____

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CONFIDENTIAL ATTORNEY REFERENCE FORM

Applicant: _____

This Confidential Reference Form is completed as a Supplement to the above-referenced 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?

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Nevada Bar No.: _____

Court: _____

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