

# Agenda

## Recent Developments in Georgia Family Law

P. Simon

- Legislative update
- Case law update
- Current issues in family law

## Assisting with Child Custody and Visitation Issues

S. Steele

- Obtaining relevant information
- Client interview, custody questionnaires, authorizations for disclosure, formal discovery
- Working with guardian-ad-litem
  - Assisting an attorney as a Guardian ad Litem
- Working with experts
- Drafting and reviewing parenting plans
- Special considerations for faith based parenting plans

## Obtaining and Evaluating Financial Information

M. Millard

- Identifying relevant information on assets, debts, income and expenses
- Obtaining financial information
  - Using financial information questionnaires
  - Using interrogatories, requests for production, deposition testimony, private investigators
  - Valuing assets
- Evaluating the information you have obtained
- Working with accountants and financial experts
- Preparing financial statements

## Obtaining, Enforcing and Modifying Child Support Awards

R. Platt

- Current status of Georgia child support law
- Applying the child support guidelines
- Obtaining relevant information from your client
- Investigation and formal discovery
- Using the child support calculator
- Preparing the child support order
- Completing withholding and medical support orders
- Public and private enforcement of child support
- Modifying child support orders

## Preparing Marital Settlement Agreements

R. Platt

- Assisting with different types of agreements
  - Property agreements
  - Child-related agreements
  - Support agreements

## Georgia's Equitable Caregiver Act

C. Palmer

- Who qualifies?
  - How is this different than O.C.G.A. § 19-7-(b.1)
  - What are the necessary attestations?
- Procedurally, how and where do you file?
  - Petition
  - Supporting Affidavit
- Case law and history

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## Learning Objectives

### You'll be able to:

**Assist** with child custody disputes and work with guardians ad litem.

**Review** current issues in Georgia family law, including recent cases and legislative developments.

**Identify** relevant information on client assets, debts, income and expenses.

**Learn** techniques for valuing assets and preparing financial statements.

**Obtain**, enforce and modify child support awards.

**Assist** with the preparation of marital settlement agreements.

**Learn** about filing petitions and supporting affidavits under Georgia's Equitable Caregiver Act.



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**Discuss** the latest developments in Georgia family case law

**Learn** ways to assist with issues pertaining to child custody and visitation

**Explore** how to obtain important financial information

**Understand** how to effectively modify child support orders

**Discuss** ways to assist with marital settlement agreements

**Work** with the Georgia Equitable Caregiver Act

## Continuing Education Credits

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6.5 Substantive CLE Hours (NALA Approved)

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# Faculty

**Paul S. Simon Esq** *Partner at Hedgepeth Heredia LLC in Atlanta, GA*  
Named as a Rising Star by *Super Lawyers* in the area of family law, Mr. Simon has exclusively practiced family law for the entirety of his legal career. He is a member of the Family Law Section of the Atlanta Bar Association and the Family Law Section and Young Lawyers Division of the State Bar of Georgia. Mr. Simon has been published in the *Daily Report*, the legal organ of Fulton County, Georgia, and in the *American Journal of Trial Advocacy*. He has also spoken at continuing legal education conferences on topics germane to family law cases.

**Savannah Steele**  
*Senior Associate Attorney at Kaye, Lembeck, Hitt & French Family Law in Atlanta, GA*  
Ms. Steele is a graduate of Florida State University where she received a B.A. degree in Communications and a B.A. degree in Psychology. She graduated from the Paul M. Hebert Law Center at Louisiana State University, earning her J.D. degree and a graduate diploma in Comparative Law, being trained in both civil and common law. Following graduation, Ms. Steele moved to Atlanta and worked for a general practice litigation firm, where she specialized in family law practice and eventually transitioned into an all family practice. She now works at the boutique (and all female!) family law firm of Kaye, Lembeck, Hitt & French Family Law. Ms. Steele has served as an emerging leader for the American Bar Association and is privileged to continue her service to the American Bar Association.

**Marcy Millard** *Lead Attorney and Owner of The Millard Law Firm*  
Ms. Millard manages the firm and helps clients navigate the confusing and painful process of litigating a family law case. A child of divorce herself, she is passionate about helping the children affected by the cases she litigates. Ms. Millard earned her B.S. degree from the State University of New York at Potsdam and her J.D. degree from Georgia State University College of Law. Ms. Millard is admitted to practice before the State Bar of Georgia, U.S. District Court

for the Northern District of Georgia, Georgia Court of Appeals and Georgia Supreme Court. She is a member of the State Bar of Georgia, Atlanta Bar Association (Family Law Division), Georgia Association for Women Lawyers, Judicial Applicant Review Committee, Cobb County Bar Association, Atlanta Bar Association and Women in the Profession Division.

**Rachel Platt** *Founding Family Law Attorney, The Platt Law Firm, Atlanta, GA*  
For the last several years, Ms. Platt has been selected as a Georgia Super Lawyer in the field of family law. Additionally in 2018, 2019 and 2020, Georgia Super Lawyers named her to the Top 100 Attorneys and to the Top 50 Women Attorneys for the State of Georgia. She was recognized as one of Georgia's Legal Elite in 2009, 2012, 2016, 2018 and 2019 in the area of family law by *Georgia Trend* magazine. Ms. Platt graduated *cum laude* from the University of Georgia, and obtained her juris doctor degree at the University of Colorado, School of Law. She became a member of the Georgia Bar in 2004. Ms. Platt is an active member of the Georgia Association for Women Lawyers (Foundation President 2010 – 2011) and the Atlanta Bar Association. Ms. Platt has been practicing law for the last 15 years and concentrates her legal practice in the areas of family law and special education law.

**Christine M. Palmer Esq** *Partner at Oxendine Law, LLC in Suwanee, GA*  
Ms. Palmer earned her undergraduate degree from The University of Alabama then attended law school at Florida Coastal School of Law in Jacksonville, Florida. She previously worked as in-house counsel for a real estate investment company and was the managing attorney of a law firm in Midtown Atlanta. Ms. Palmer is a partner at Oxendine Law, LLC, practicing in all areas of domestic litigation, divorce, child custody, paternity and legitimation, and modification actions. She is a member of the State Bar of Georgia Family Law Section and the Gwinnett County Bar Association Family Law Section.

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