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FAMILY LAW Section Newsletter

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NCAJ FAMILY LAW BROCHURES – CHECK IT OUT!

Family law brochures, linked below, are now available to the general public and NCAJ members online at the NCAJ website AND, with one easy click, any brochure can be printed directly from the NCAJ website.

[Child Support and Custody](#)
[Separation & Divorce](#)
[Marriage in North Carolina](#)

A super huge thank you goes out to the Family Law Section leaders -- **Sheryl Friedrichs, Sundee Stephenson**, and **Judy Tseng** -- for making these brochures available to the general public and NCAJ members.

The Family Law Section leaders are currently working with NCAJ's Hispanic Latino Legal Issues Division to translate the brochures into Spanish. Stay tuned to future issues of the Section e-newsletter for announcements regarding when the brochures will be available in Spanish.

UPDATE YOUR MEMBERSHIP PROFILE BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE!

Make sure that your contact information on file with NCAJ is accurate so other NCAJ members know how to reach you! A new edition of the NCAJ Membership Directory will be printed soon. Please check to see that your membership profile is up-to-date and complete by logging into your membership profile [here](#).

LA FIESTA – VOLUNTEER TODAY!

It's Fiesta time! Volunteer today to represent the North Carolina Advocates for Justice at the NCAJ booth at La Fiesta del Pueblo which will be held indoors at the North Carolina State Fairgrounds in Raleigh on Saturday, September 11 and Sunday, September 12. La Fiesta del Pueblo is an annual event organized by El Pueblo, a North Carolina non-profit statewide advocacy and public policy organization dedicated to strengthening the Latino community.

As a NCAJ volunteer you will answer questions from the general public who stop by the NCAJ booth at La Fiesta. In addition to the tremendous public service, volunteering for La Fiesta is a great way to make the general public aware of your organization or firm.

For more details or to volunteer to staff the NCAJ booth at La Fiesta, please email Andrea Davis at AndreaD@ncaj.com. If you are volunteering, please indicate which shift would work best with your schedule: Saturday, September 11 from 12-3pm, 3-6 pm or 6-8 pm; or Sunday, September 12 from Noon-3 pm or 3-6 pm. Although it is not a mandatory requirement, those members who speak Spanish are strongly encouraged to participate in Fiesta. *Many Thanks, in advance, for Volunteering for this AWESOME Public Outreach Event!*

LOOK WHAT YOU MISSED!

Attention Section Members! Have you signed up for the Family Law Section listserv yet? If not, you are missing one of the best (and free) Section membership benefits. The Section listserv is a great way to get rapid responses to your queries, 24/7 -- whether you are in trial, at the office or anywhere in between! Believe it or not, only 50% of Section members currently take advantage of this tremendous Section membership benefit!

Here are just a few Section listserv topics that have been posted during the past few weeks:

- Charleston, SC Family Law Atty
- Post Nuptial Agreement
- Referral for Cheraw County, South Carolina
- Divorce Guru Help Needed
- Maryland Lawyer
- Chatham County Improper Use of Power of Attorney
- Subpoenas for Children to Appear
- Equitable Distribution by Default
- Child Custody - Events BEFORE the Last Order
- Suggestions for Defenses and Causes of Action
- Adoption
- DVPO
- Child Support - Dad Receives Social Security
- Abduction to Egypt
- Annulment
- Specialist Needed

To participate in the Section listserv, please email Andrea Davis at AndreaD@ncaj.com to set-up your listserv account.

SECTION MEMBER NEWS



Ellen Abernathy of *Hall & Hall* in Morganton welcomed her first grandchild into the family! Ellen's daughter, Kristina Reep, gave birth to Damon Wyatt Reep on June 9, 2010. Damon weighed 8 pounds 12 ounces and was 22 inches long. *Congrats, Ellen, on this beautiful bundle of little boy joy!*

On April 1, 2010, **Jonathan McGirt**, Family Law Section Legal Affairs Chair, started his own practice at 5617 Departure Drive, Suite 109 in Raleigh. Jonathan can be contacted at jmc-law@clearwire.net or (919) 850-9199 ext. 2514. *Much Success Jonathan!*

Tony Hartsoe is proud to announce that *Hartsoe & Associates, PC* opened a new office at 3711B West Market Street, Suite C, in Greensboro which will assist clients in family law, family financial mediation, IRS tax issues, bankruptcy, workers comp and serious injury claims. Hartsoe & Associates also has an office in Winston-Salem.

The 14th Annual Webby Awards have nominated Hartsoe & Associates website, www.hartsoelaw.com, for an award in the law category. Often referred to as the "Oscars of the Internet," Webbys are given in over 100 categories and selections are based on usability and content and design. Please visit www.webbyawards.com for more general information on the awards. *Congrats Hartsoe & Associates!*

UPCOMING EVENTS – SAVE THE DATE!

SAVE THE DATE! Make plans NOW to attend Mountain Magic 2010 at the Grove Park Inn in Asheville on October 14-17, 2010! Mountain Magic offers informative CLE for the criminal and civil practitioner and 6.0 hours CPE for paralegals and legal assistants. There are lots of networking opportunities at the section meetings and plenty of time to relax and unwind at the many social gatherings. Mark your calendar and make your hotel reservation today by calling the Grove Park Inn at (800) 438-5800 or (828) 252-2711 and mentioning that you are with the Trial Lawyers.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Please remember that your NCAJ membership renewal was due on July 1! To continue to partake in the many benefits of NCAJ membership, including access to section listservs, social events and discounted CLEs, please

[click here](#) to renew your membership for the July 2010-June 2011 year.

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