Meet Our Family Law Team

Moss & Barnett is distinctive among full-service law firms for our nationally recognized family law practice. Our lawyers are regularly included in *Minnesota Super Lawyers* and *The Best Lawyers in America* and are frequent contributors to state and national publications and seminars.

Family law cases often implicate other legal issues related to businesses, trusts and estates, retirement and employment benefits, real property, and tax law. Moss & Barnett family law clients benefit from our access to in-depth resources to address these issues. Our Family Law Team has extensive experience collaborating with attorneys in other practice areas and managing complex financial questions with financial neutrals and experts, including business valuations, nonmarital tracings, and calculating cash flows and spousal maintenance.

We represent clients with family law matters such as:

- Marriage dissolutions and legal separations
- Division of complex assets and executive compensation
- Paternity proceedings
- Determining and modifying child support and spousal maintenance orders
- Parenting time and custody agreements and proceedings
- Antenuptial, postnuptial, and cohabitation agreements
- Family law appeals
- Hague Convention proceedings regarding children
- Harassment restraining orders and orders for protection
- Uncontested stepparent adoptions



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Jana is a nationally recognized family law practitioner who serves as a compassionate advocate for clients and their children. She is knowledgeable, responsive, and committed to understanding her clients' needs to achieve positive outcomes. Jana strives to resolve matters outside the courtroom to minimize distress and disruption, but when the parties cannot reach a consensus, she is fully prepared to represent her clients' interests at trial. She believes that every client deserves dedicated, competent guidance throughout their family court proceeding, culminating in a conclusion that prepares her clients to confidently move forward. Jana is a Qualified Neutral under Rule 114 of the Minnesota General Rules of Practice, available to offer families ADR services such as family law mediation and financial early neutral evaluations.



James J. Vedder

Jim assist clients in a variety of matters, including complex litigation and settlement of marital and non-marital assets, complex non-marital tracing, spousal maintenance, child support, business valuation disputes, settlement negotiations, appeals, premarital and postmarital agreements, custody settlement, and litigation. He brings a compassionate approach to difficult family law cases in both alternative dispute resolution forums and litigation. Jim has worked with children in numerous contexts over the years and is sensitive to the emotional challenges presented by difficult family situations. He works diligently to minimize these potentially stressful situations and produce favorable results for his clients. In addition to participating in landmark family law cases in Minnesota, he contributes articles on family law topics to professional journals and lectures on a multitude of family law issues.

Moss & Barnett's Family Law Team offers a unique blend of creativity, common sense, and compassion, backed by decades of experience in the most personal of legal practices.



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Brittney assists clients in all family-related matters, including parenting, support, division of assets, stepparent and same-sex adoptions, antenuptial agreements, and many other issues confronting modern families. She has extensive experience with cases involving complex social and financial issues at both the trial and appellate court levels. Prior to joining Moss & Barnett, Brittney clerked for the Honorable Anne K. McKeig and the Honorable Jane B. Ranum in Hennepin County Family Court, gaining invaluable insight into the court's perspective on family law litigation. Brittney previously worked with the Family Court Enhancement Project and on legal and legislative projects related to the Minnesota Domestic Abuse Act. Currently, she contributes time and experience to appellate domestic abuse cases, and she has written and presented extensively on domestic violence's impact on family law matters.



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April assists clients in all family law related matters, including dissolution proceedings, paternity, custody, parenting time, child support, spousal maintenance, orders for protection, and distribution of marital assets and debts. Prior to joining Moss & Barnett, April clerked for the Honorable Elizabeth V. Cutter in Hennepin County Family Court, gaining valuable insight into the court's perspective on family law litigation. During law school, April earned honors for legal writing, was a staff member and online editor of the *Minnesota Law Review*, and served as a student director of the university's Family Law Clinic.



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Debra is committed to compassionate advocacy and understands that creating a new normal for a transitioning family is not a one-size-fits-all approach. She assists and strategizes with clients to develop creative and effective solutions to complex family matters, including dissolution proceedings, paternity, custody, parenting time, child support, spousal maintenance, orders for protection, distribution of marital assets and debts, and the many other issues today's families face. Debra is a Qualified Neutral under Rule 114 of the Minnesota General Rules of Practice, available to offer family law mediation in person or remotely.