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HANDLING A FAMILY LAW MATTER IN ONTARIO

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Introduction

This publication is an all-in-one practical guide that enables the lawyer or law clerk to handle a family law matter in Ontario. The work is a comprehensive guide organized in the order a family law lawyer may confront the issues in a typical family law file. Each chapter begins with a discussion of the law, procedure and the issues that may arise. This discussion is meant to give a practical background in the subject with tips for the practitioner. The discussion is then followed with checklists, precedents and forms — the practical tools to enable the lawyer or law clerk to do his or her job.

What's New

This release updates the cases and commentary in Chapters 14 (Parenting Matters), 16 (Spousal Support), 19 (Preparing For and Conducting a Trial in the Superior Court of Justice at Toronto) and Appendix E, Author Commentary.

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Highlights

This release updates the case law and authored commentary on the following topics:

- The importance of the rules of evidence in family law proceedings (Appendix E);
- The admissibility of doctor notes (Chapter 19);
- Spousal support advisory guidelines (Chapter 16); and
- Parental alienation and the admissibility of children's aid and counseling records (Chapter 14).