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<p><b>EVIDENCE IN FAMILY LAW</b> <b>Harold Niman</b> <b>Release No. 5, August 2025</b></p>
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This unique resource is structured to follow the evolution of a family law case through trial and appeal and provides detailed analysis regarding how to best obtain, preserve and present evidence. It also examines specialized areas of family law such as Charter litigation and child protection proceedings, looking at how to establish the proper evidentiary framework.

**What’s New in this Update**

This release includes updates to Appendix IF (Issues in Focus) and Appendix WPL (Words and Phrases).

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## Highlights:

This release includes the following updates:

- **Appendix Words & Phrases—§ WPJ:112 Credibility—new entry for British Columbia—**... credibility focuses on the honesty of that witness and their overall trustworthiness in providing evidence: *Thomson v. A.R. Thomson Group* (2024), 2024 BCSC 2303, 2024 CarswellBC 3726 (B.C. S.C.) at para. 315 Watchuk J.
- **Appendix Words & Phrases—NEW—§ WPJ:468 Reliability—new entry for British Columbia—** ... reliability primarily concerns the accuracy of a witness' testimony...: *Thomson v. A.R. Thomson Group* (2024), 2024 BCSC 2303, 2024 CarswellBC 3726 (B.C. S.C.) at para. 315 Watchuk J.
- **Appendix IF—Issues in Focus—§ IF24—**Under what circumstances will a court admit an expert report that has been delivered by a party after the time allowed by the Rules of Civil Procedure and the Family Law Rules but prior to the commencement of trial? Ontario – TVA – August 1, 2024
- **Appendix IF—Issues in Focus—§ IF25—**Under what circumstances will a court admit an expert report that has been delivered by a party subsequent to the commencement of trial, and therefore after the time allowed by the Alberta Rules of Court? Alberta – TVA – August 1, 2024
- **Appendix IF—Issues in Focus—§ IF26—**Under what circumstances will a court admit an expert report that has been delivered by a party after the time allowed by the Supreme Court Civil Rules and the Supreme Court Family Rules but prior to the commencement of trial? British Columbia – TVA – August 1, 2024
- **Appendix IF—Issues in Focus—§ IF27—**What do the cases say about the timing of financial disclosure in a family law matter in cases where a threshold needs to be decided first? Ontario – TVA – October 1, 2024
- **Appendix IF—Issues in Focus—§ IF29—**What are the requirements for production of Children's Aid Society ? - Kimberly M. Condon – Federal - November 1, 2024