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PARENTING LAW AND PRACTICE IN CANADA Ann Wilton Release No. 1, March 2026
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Parenting Law and Practice in Canada guides the practitioner through all aspects of law and practice related to custody and access in Canada, including the impact of the changes to the *Divorce Act*. The expert commentary covers the stages of a custody access proceeding including interim proceedings, and decisions on the merits, enforcement, variation, and appeals. This work examines the substantive and procedural law as well as negotiation, tactical, and advocacy skills. Alternative dispute resolution methods are considered, as are other topics of current interest such as the expansion of access rights, including access for grandparents, child representation, mobility rights, and the effect of religion upon custody and access.

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What’s New in this Release:

This release includes updates to **Chapter 8—Parenting Orders**. Notable cases and updates include:

- Updates to § 8:3—Provincial Legislation.
- Updates to § 8:5—discussing the Parenting Plan Guide by The Ontario Chapter of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC-Ontario), and recent court decisions referencing the Guide.
- Updated commentary and case law in IV—Interim Parenting Orders, § 8:6.
 - o *Brownson v. Brownson*, 2022 ONSC 5882.
 - o *Churchill v. Elliot and Ward*, 2024 ONSC 1907.

Appendix IF. Issues in Focus—Updated memo § IF:25

- What is the appropriate jurisdiction in which to bring a motion to review a final consent order dealing with parenting time, decision-making responsibility and support of children where the parties to the order (i.e., the parents) have both relocated—one to another Canadian province and one to the United States—since agreeing to the consent order? Ontario—TVA—June 1, 2025