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Eric serves as co-chair of the firm's Family Law Practice and is a member of the firm's Litigation Department. He is Certified by the Supreme Court of New Jersey as a Matrimonial Law Attorney and is a Fellow in the American Academy of Matrimonial Attorneys. Throughout his career, Eric's practice has focused on family law litigation and related matters, such as:

- Litigation, mediation and arbitration of family law matters
- Matrimonial actions, including complex matters involving valuation issues and high conflict matters
- Custody and Parenting Time
- Alimony and child support
- Equitable distribution
- Appellate practice in family law matters
- Paternity
- Grandparent visitation
- Domestic violence
- Negotiation and preparation of prenuptial, postnuptial, and cohabitation agreements
- Negotiation and preparation of property settlement agreements
- Enforcement and modification of agreements, orders, and judgments
- Rights of cohabitants and palimony matters
- Adoption

In addition to his work as a litigator, Eric can also serve as a mediator or arbitrator in divorce cases for those who wish to pursue alternative dispute resolution.

Eric's reported cases include:

- *Gnall v. Gnall*, 222 N.J. 414, 119 A.3d 891 (2015) (courts must consider all statutory factors in determining alimony; duration alone is not determinative of whether alimony should be permanent vs. limited duration)
- *Maeker v. Ross*, 219 N.J. 265 (2014) (landmark palimony case invalidating 2010 palimony statute with regard to relationships that pre-dated the statute)
- *Parish v. Parish*, 412 N.J. Super. 39 (App. Div. 2010) (establishes new rules and procedures before judge can impose conditions upon filing motions in a family part case)



- *Eaton v. Grau*, 368 N.J. Super. 215 (App. Div. 2004) ("hold harmless" provision in parties' property settlement agreement did not require ex-husband to remove ex-wife's name from the mortgage)
- *Moriarty v. Bradt*, 177 N.J. 84 (2003) (grandparent visitation)
- *Wilde v. Wilde*, 337 N.J. Super. 1 (App. Div. 2001) (grandparent visitation)
- *Crews v. Crews*, 164 N.J. 11 (2000) (standard of living as it relates to alimony)
- *Brawer v. Brawer*, 329 N.J. Super. 273 (App. Div. 2000) (the enforceability of an oral settlement agreement)

Client Resources

Podcast: The Madoff Mess Hits Divorce Court

Eric was featured in a Forensic Perspective Podcast, a production of MSG Accountants, Consultants & Business Valuers. Eric discussed the decision issued by Acting New York State Supreme Court Justice Saralee Evans in the case of *Simkin v. Blank*, in which Mr. Simkin sought to reform his divorce agreement with his former wife because he was one of the many victims of the Bernard Madoff ponzi scheme. Ultimately, Justice Evans dismissed the complaint in its entirety. Eric discussed how the Madoff case may impact other matrimonial outcomes. [Click here for more.](#)

Before Fox Rothschild

Eric was previously a partner at Donahue, Hagan, Klein, Newsome & O'Donnell, P.C. handling matrimonial law matters.

Beyond Fox Rothschild

Eric was appointed by the Supreme Court of New Jersey to the District XB Ethics Committee and served as the chair from September 2010 through August 2011.

Accomplishments

Completion of 40-hour Family Law Mediation Training at the New Jersey Institute for Continuing Legal Education

Honors & Awards

- Martindale-Hubbell "AV" rated*
- Named to "The Best Lawyers in America" for Family Law in New Jersey by *Best Lawyers* (2019, 2020)*
- Selected to the "Trailblazers" list for Divorce Law in New Jersey by *The National Law Journal* (2016)*
- Certified by the Supreme Court of New Jersey as a Matrimonial Law Attorney
- Selected for Fellowship in the American Academy of Matrimonial Attorneys
- Selected for Fellowship in the Litigation Counsel of America
- Selected to the "10 Best" list by the American Institute of Family Law Attorneys for Family Law in New Jersey (2014)*
- Named to the "10 Leaders" list for Matrimonial and Divorce Law in Northern New Jersey by Ten Leaders (2008)*
- Selected to the "Super Lawyers" list for Family Law in New Jersey (2007-2019)*
- Selected to the "Super Lawyers - Rising Stars" list for Family Law in New Jersey (2006)*
- Named to the "10 Leaders Under the Age of 45" list for Family Law in New Jersey by Ten Leaders (2004)*

*[Awards Methodology](#)



Practice Areas

- Family Law
- Litigation
- Law Firms & Attorneys
- Appellate Practice
- Alternative Dispute Resolution

Bar Admissions

- New Jersey
- Pennsylvania
- Colorado
- District of Columbia

Court Admissions

- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania

Education

- Widener University School of Law (LL.M., 1994)
 - in Taxation
- Widener University School of Law (J.D., 1992)
- State University of New York at Albany (B.A., *cum laude*, 1989)
- American Bar Association Family Law Trial Advocacy Institute (2001)

Memberships

- American Bar Association
- American Association for Justice, Family Law Section
- New Jersey State Bar Association
- Essex County Bar Association
- Morris County Bar Association
- Bergen County Bar Association
- Master, Barry I. Croland Family Law Inn of Courts
- District XB Ethics Committee (2007-2011), Chair (2010-2011)



- American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers
- Litigation Counsel of America

News

August 15, 2019

178 Fox Attorneys Named in Best Lawyers in America 2020 Guide

January 4, 2019

What's Your 2019 New Year's Resolution?

ABA Journal

August 15, 2018

115 Fox Attorneys Recognized by Best Lawyers 2019

July 2, 2018

Fox Rothschild's Family Law Practice

Morris Essex Health & Life Magazine

March 26, 2018

New Jersey's Best Lawyers for Families

New Jersey Family

February 16, 2018

Revamped Tax Code Creates New Headaches for Matrimonial Lawyers

New Jersey Law Journal

March 22, 2016

Three Fox Attorneys Named Among The National Law Journal's Family Law Trailblazers

March 22, 2016

Divorce, Trusts & Estates Trailblazers

The National Law Journal

March 7, 2016

Why March is the Height of Divorce Season in N.J.

NJBiz

February 3, 2016

Top 10 in Law Blogs: The Lawyer the Liar

The LexBlog Network

December 30, 2015

Top 10 in Law Blogs: The New Year's Resolution Divorce

The LexBlog Network

November 17, 2015



Top 10 Law Blogs: Beware the Divorce Litigant Who is Watering the Money Tree With The Tears From Cries of Poverty

The LexBlog Network

December 22, 2014

Top 10 in Law Blogs: Have Litigant's Lost Confidence in the System?

The LexBlog Network

October 6, 2014

Why You Need a Prenup to Marry Even If You Think You're Poor

Main Street

July 9, 2014

Best in Law Blogs: The Day 'Daddy' Became 'Dad' – Childhood Goes By Quickly

The LexBlog Network

June 1, 2014

10 Best Attorney Nomination

American Institute of Family Law Attorneys

April 30, 2014

Eric S. Solotoff To Argue Before the New Jersey Supreme Court in Novel Palimony Case

April 22, 2014

Best in Law Blogs: The Lawyer, The Liar

The LexBlog Network

October 21, 2013

Best in Law Blogs: Same Sex Marriages in New Jersey Start Today

The LexBlog Network

October 18, 2013

Same-Sex Marriage: New Jersey Judge Puts State on the Verge of Legalizing It

The LexBlog Network

August 21, 2013

Best in Law Blogs: How Not to Settle Your Case – Part II

The LexBlog Network

August 16, 2013

Best in Law Blogs: If a Settlement Happens in the Woods or at Mediation, Can Any Body Hear It?

The LexBlog Network

August 12, 2013

Best in Law Blogs: What's in a Name? The NJ Supreme Court Tells Us, Again

The LexBlog Network

July 23, 2013

Deciding Whether Law Firms Should Have an App for That

The Legal Intelligencer



July 15, 2013

iDivorce

The National Law Journal

July 10, 2013

Fox Rothschild Launches NJ-Specific Divorce App

Southern New Jersey Development Council

July 8, 2013

Divorce by iPhone

New Jersey Law Journal

July 5, 2013

Getting Divorced? In N.J., Now There's An App for That, Too

CBS Philly

July 2, 2013

Divorce? There's an App for That

Philadelphia Business Journal

July 2, 2013

Law Firm Fox Rothschild Launches NJ Specific App to Help Clients through Divorce Legalities

New Jersey Tech Weekly

February 28, 2013

If you want Palimony, Get it in Writing

Your Family & The Law

February 4, 2013

Palimony Claim's Date Determines If Statute of Frauds Is Applicable

New Jersey Law Journal

December 30, 2012

Matrimonial Law Certification

December 27, 2012

Best in Law Blogs: The New Year's Resolution Divorce

The LexBlog Network

November 20, 2012

Best in Law Blogs: Mean What You Say, Write What You Mean

The LexBlog Network

November 17, 2012

Best in Law Blogs: Women Divorces her Husband Because he Wouldn't "Play Fifty Shades of Grey"

The LexBlog Network

October 22, 2012



Best in Law Blogs: Perpetrator of Domestic Violence Cannot Have the Victim Removed and Get Temporary Custody of the Kids, Can He?

The LexBlog Network

October 16, 2012

Best in Law Blogs: Prenuptial Agreement Reform in New Jersey Appears Likely

The LexBlog Network

July 19, 2012

Best in Law Blogs: So You Thought It Was a Good Idea To Stay In Business With Your Ex-Spouse

The LexBlog Network

April 3, 2012

Best in Law Blogs: Madoff Mess Hits the Divorce Court – The End

The LexBlog Network

March 21, 2012

Best in Law Blogs: If You Think That All Meetings With Experts Can Be Recorded, Think Again

The LexBlog Network

December 9, 2011

Best in Law Blogs: The Anti-Climactic End of the Tannen Saga - The Supreme Court Weighs In, Sort Of

The LexBlog Network

November 10, 2011

Best in law Blogs: The Impact of a Post Complaint Substantial Increase in Earnings - Marital Momentum or Much Ado About Nothing?

The LexBlog Network

August 25, 2011

Volunteers in Attorney Ethics System Conclude Terms of Service

June 29, 2011

Best in Law Blogs: Same Sex Couples in NJ to File Lawsuit Seeking Civil Unions to be Recognized as Marriages

The LexBlog Network

May 12, 2011

Jennifer Weisberg Millner, Eric Solotoff and Julia Swain of Fox Rothschild Present Seminar on Role of Personal Accountant and Financial Adviser in Divorce Process

April 18, 2011

Best in Law Blogs: Blogging Kills a Woman's Alimony Claim

The LexBlog Network

September 30, 2010

Eric Solotoff of Fox Rothschild LLP Appointed Chair of District XB Ethics Committee

July 20, 2010

Eric S. Solotoff Named Co-Chair of Fox Rothschild's Family Law Practice



February 8, 2010

Family Judge's Ban on Filing of Motions Abused Discretion, Appeals Court Says

New Jersey Law Journal

December 21, 2009

Is Your New Year's Resolution To Get a Divorce?

Warp.com

January 22, 2009

Eric S. Solotoff of Fox Rothschild Selected for Inclusion in Ten Leaders in Matrimonial and Divorce Law in Northern New Jersey

August 19, 2008

Solotoff of Fox Rothschild Featured on Fox News

Fox 5 News and Channel 9

November 26, 2007

Eric S. Solotoff of Fox Rothschild Appointed to Ethics Committee for New Jersey's District X

June 19, 2007

Fox Rothschild Strengthens New Jersey Family Law Practice

Publications

January 23, 2017

January Is called 'Divorce Month': Resolutions, Fresh Starts and Had Enoughs

NJBIZ

July 2015

Debunking New Jersey's Family Law Myths

March 9, 2015

When Less Than the Full Amount is Paid, Who Gets to Decide Whether it was Alimony or Child Support?

Bar Report

September 16, 2014

New Jersey Enacts Alimony Reform Bill

Family Law Alert

February 2013

Is Palimony in New Jersey Over as We Knew It?

Family Law Alert

2010

The Madoff Mess Hits Divorce Court

14th Edition 2010; 15th Edition to be published in 2012

Chapter 4: Custody



New Jersey Family Law Practice

May 19, 2010

Equitable And Other Remedies In The Wake Of The New Palimony Statute

NJSBA Annual Meeting and Convention

April 2009

The American Psychological Association Issues New Guidelines for Child Custody Evaluations in Family Law Proceedings

Family Law Practice Alert

1994 - 2009

Law in the Fifty States - New Jersey Report

ABA Family Law Quarterly

October 2007

Requests for Innocent Spouse Relief From the IRS

Family Law Practice Area Alert

July 2007

No Maximum When Determining Child Support in High-Income Cases

Family Law Practice Alert

Events

Matrimonial Law: Divorce Bootcamp - It's All About the Money

February 6, 2016 at 9:00am – 2:00pm

The Heldrich

Hosted by: New Jersey Association for Justice

What You Need To Know About New Jersey's New Alimony Bill

October 15, 2014

Hosted by: AEPG Wealth Strategies

What Family Lawyers Can Learn from Business Tax Returns

June 18, 2014

Hosted by: New Jersey Institute for Continuing Legal Education

Equitable Distribution Roundtable

May 2, 2014

Bally's Atlantic City

Hosted by: New Jersey Association for Justice Boardwalk Seminar 2014

NJ Palimony Law: Recent Decisions that Will Impact Your Practice

April 3, 2014

Lithos Restaurant

Hosted by: Essex County Bar Foundation



Boardwalk Seminar: Matrimonial Law

April 18, 2013 at 11:15am
Bally's Atlantic City
Hosted by: The New Jersey Association for Justice

AGN North American Regional Meeting

May 21, 2012
The Pfister Hotel
Hosted by: AGN North American Regional Meeting

The Attorney Charging Lien as Applied to Matrimonial Law & Matrimonial Rules of Court Review

May 10, 2012
Libretti's Restaurant
Hosted by: Essex County Bar Foundation

Overview of the Divorce Process: How the Personal Accountant and Financial Advisor Can Assist

May 10, 2011
Greenacres Country Club
Hosted by: Greenacres Country Club

Financial Aspects of Divorce in New Jersey

December 7, 2010
Hosted by: Acorn Financial Services: CPE for CPAs

Financial Aspects of Divorce in New Jersey

November 11, 2010
Hosted by: Untracht Early: In-house CPE for CPAs

NJSBA Annual Meeting and Convention

May 20, 2010
Borgata Hotel Casino & Spa
Hosted by: New Jersey State Bar Association

Overview of the Divorce Process: How the Personal Accountant Can Assist in the Process

September 17, 2009
Hosted by: Fox Rothschild LLP

A Primer for Young Lawyers: Palimony Update

February 18, 2009
Fox Rothschild LLP - Roseland Office
Hosted by: The Young Lawyers Subcommittee of the Family Law Section of the NJSBA

Eric S. Solotoff of Fox Rothschild Speaks at Widener University's Professionalism Day

November 14, 2007
Widener University
Hosted by: Professionalism Day 2007

Alimony Presentation

November 1, 2001



Fox Rothschild LLP
ATTORNEYS AT LAW

Hosted by: Judicial College

Seminar on Wiretap, Invasion of Privacy and Computer Related Issues

April 1, 2001

Hosted by: Essex County Bar Association Family Law Section

Northern New Jersey Family Law Inns of Court, Trial Preparation and Trial Notebook Presentation

April 1, 2001

Hosted by: Northern New Jersey Family Law Inns of Court, Trial Preparation and Trial Notebook Presentation