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As a member of the firm's Family Law Practice, Robert represents clients in all stages of family law litigation and his practice involves all aspects of family law, including:

- divorce
- equitable distribution
- custody
- support
- marital agreements
- domestic violence actions

Robert's reported cases include:

- *Parish v. Parish*, 412 N.J. Super. 39 (App. Div. 2010) (establishing new rules and procedures before a court can impose conditions upon filing motions in a family part case)
- *Barr v. Barr*, 418 N.J. Super. 18 (App. Div. 2011) (addressing the equitable distribution of a pension in the context of post-judgment employment efforts)

Client Resources



New Jersey Divorce App

For those simply contemplating separation or already in the midst of divorce proceedings in the Garden State, the useful tools included in Fox's New Jersey Divorce App can answer questions, offer insight into aspects of the divorce process that may have been overlooked and provide users with resources they may not have known were available.

The app is currently available for free in the iTunes Store. [To download it, click here.](#)

Beyond Fox Rothschild

Using his experience and industry knowledge in other outlets, Robert serves as an Associate Editor for the *New Jersey Family Lawyer*.

Robert is a regular contributor to Pazoo.com, a health and wellness website, on issues pertaining to family law, divorce and custody.

Since 2009, Robert has volunteered with the Battered Women's Legal Advocacy Project, representing victims of domestic violence.

In addition, Robert volunteers as a panelist for the Essex County Early Settlement Panel.

Honors & Awards

- Included in a list of "New Leaders of the Bar" by the *New Jersey Law Journal* (2017)
- Included in a list of New Jersey "Super Lawyers" (2017-2018)
- Selected for inclusion among "Ten Leaders – Divorce Law Age 45 & Under" in New Jersey (2016)
- Included in a list of "Trailblazers" in Divorce Law by *The National Law Journal* (2016)
- Selected as a "New Jersey Rising Star" by *New Jersey Monthly Magazine* and *Law & Politics Magazine* (2010 through 2016)
- Selected for inclusion in "10 Best for Client Satisfaction" by the American Institute of Family Law Attorneys for New Jersey (2015)
- Named the "Second Most Read Contributor in the United States" by Mondaq (November 2015)

Practice Areas

- Family Law
- Litigation
- Appellate Practice

Bar Admissions

- New Jersey
- New York

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey

Education

- St. John's University School of Law (J.D., *cum laude*, 2006)
- State University of New York at Binghamton (B.S., 2000)



Memberships

- New York State Bar Association, Family Law Section
- New Jersey State Bar Association, Family Law Executive Committee, Young Lawyers Division and Family Law Section, Young Lawyers Section
- Essex County Bar Association
- Barry Croland Family Law Inns of Court, Pupil
- Essex County Matrimonial Early Settlement Panel
- New Jersey District Fee Arbitration Committee, Panel Chair

News

May 5, 2017

Robert Epstein Named Among New Leaders of the Bar by New Jersey Law Journal

April 27, 2017

Law Journal Names New Leaders of the Bar

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

October 8, 2015

After Hours: Fox Rothschild Staff Join Corporate Classic 5K Run

New Jersey Law Journal

June 26, 2015

Attorneys Rally Around High Court's Gay Marriage Decision

Law360

June 19, 2015

Best in Law Blogs: To Consent Or Not Consent, That Is The Question

The LexBlog Network

March 6, 2015

2015 New Partners

New Jersey Law Journal

October 7, 2014

Why Protecting Your Assets In the Event of Divorce Just Got More Critical

Main Street

August 18, 2014

Best in Law Blogs: Marriage at Risk in Today's Environment of Income Inequality?

The LexBlog Network

June 19, 2014

People in the News

The Legal Intelligencer

May 30, 2014

On The Move: Three New Partners at Fox Rothschild

New Jersey Law Journal

May 21, 2014

Fox Rothschild Elevates 13 to Partner

March 11, 2014

Best in Law Blogs: Facebook Page of New Jersey Teen Suing Her Parents Can Only Lead to No Good

The LexBlog Network

January 9, 2014

Best in Law Blogs: Back Away From Your iPhone – The Perils of Social Media Strike Again

The LexBlog Network

December 5, 2013

Best in Law Blogs: Oral Argument – the 'Essential Tools'

The LexBlog Network

March 20, 2013

Best in Law Blogs: Woman Obtains Divorce Due to Husband's Small Manhood

The LexBlog Network

March 15, 2013

Best in Law Blogs: The Morning After the Divorce Case Ends

The LexBlog Network

February 19, 2013

Best in Law Blogs: Mom Insults Son on Facebook - Loses Custody

The Lexblog Network

Publications

February 2018

A Review of Cohabitation Law in a Post-Amendment Landscape

New Jersey Lawyer

October 2017

"What's Your Number?" Assessing the Value of Palimony Damages

New Jersey Family Lawyer



January 28, 2017

Deviating from a Guidelines-Based Child Support Award – An Analysis of Certain Unique Circumstances Detailed in Appendix IX-A
2017 Family Law Symposium

October 3, 2016

A Nuts and Bolts Review of New Jersey Relocation Law – Are We There Yet?
The New Jersey Law Journal

June 20, 2016

Mallamo v. Mallamo: Where Do We Stand 20 Years Later?
New Jersey Family Lawyer

May 26, 2016

A Prenuptial Agreement Protects Your Interest in the Family Business
Family Business Magazine

April 19, 2016

Op-Ed: NJ's Emancipation Statute Brings Changes to Child Support
New Jersey Spotlight

February 2, 2016

NJ Emancipation Statute Will Change Duration of Child Support
Family Law Alert

January 21, 2016

Child Support and Post-Secondary Education
Divorce Magazine

July 2015

Debunking New Jersey's Family Law Myths

February 19, 2015

Litigating Cohabitation Under NJ's Amended Alimony Law
New Jersey Law Journal

January 1, 2015

A Primer on Pre-nups
The Matrimonial Strategist

October 8, 2014

The Effect of Emancipation on Child Support

October 8, 2014

A Cautionary Tale of Alimony and the IRS

September 25, 2014

New Jersey Enacts "Family Collaborative Law Act"

Family Law Alert

September 19, 2014

For Better or Worse, Alimony Reform is Here

Asbury Park Press

September 16, 2014

New Jersey Enacts Alimony Reform Bill

Family Law Alert

May 12, 2014

Divorcing a Narcissist?

April 10, 2014

Stop. Collaborate. Listen.

March 20, 2014

The Impact of “Grey Divorce” on Retirement Planning

March 11, 2014

The Perils of Social Media in Family Law Disputes

November 2012

Imputing Income to a Non-Working Spouse During the Pendente Lite Period: A Violation of the Status Quo or a Practical Step Toward the Reasonably Comparable Lifestyle?

New Jersey Family Lawyer

November 2011

The Settlement Mindset

The Matrimonial Strategist

July 2011

Retiring in a Down Economy

The Matrimonial Strategist

January 2011

Social Networking - The Future of Evidence in Matrimonial Litigation?

The Matrimonial Strategist

April 07, 2008

The Affirmative Defense to a Vicarious Liability Sexual Harassment Claim

New Jersey Law Journal

Events

Cohabitation Law in a Developing Legal Landscape

June 21, 2018 at 5:30pm – 9:00pm

The Culinary Conference Center



Hosted by: The Justice Virginia Long Family Law American Inn of Court

Hot Tips in Family Law 2017

November 10, 2017

New Jersey Law Center

Hosted by: New Jersey State Bar Association

Advanced Family Law

September 28, 2017 at 8:30am – 4:40pm

Holiday Inn

Child Support Guidelines and Other Child Support Issue-Dependent Parents and Older Children Still Living at Home

January 28, 2017

2017 Family Law Symposium

Hosted by: New Jersey Institute for Continuing Legal Education

How To Take a Family Part Case Through the Court System

October 27, 2016 at 9:00am – 12:00pm

Wolkstein Von Ellen & Brown

Hosted by: New Jersey Bar Association

How To Take a Family Part Case Through the Court System

October 20, 2016 at 9:00am – 12:00pm

Wolkstein Von Ellen & Brown

Hosted by: New Jersey Bar Association

Cohabitation and Alimony Payments: Understand the Laws in New Jersey

July 20, 2016 at 1:00pm – 2:30pm

Live Webinar

Hosted by: Lorman

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

Making the Most of Early Settlement Panel (ESP)

December 2, 2015 at 12:00pm – 1:00pm

Connell Foley

Hosted by: Volunteer Lawyers for Justice

Debunking Family Law Myths from Coast to Coast

February 5, 2015

Hosted by: Fox Rothschild LLP

37th Annual Tax and Financial Planning Seminar Series 2014-2015

October 20, 2014

Hosted by: Fox Rothschild LLP

Family Law: Breaking Up is Hard to Do

February 25, 2014

Holiday Inn Cherry Hill

Hosted by: Sterling Education Services, Inc.

Podcasts

In this series of podcasts, Robert is joined by Eliana Baer for a casual but informative discussion of some of the most timely and important topics in divorce law. Together, they identify trends in the law and provide an overview of how the courts, lawyers and litigants are responding to issues that arise in Family Courts every day.

- The Perils of Social Media in Family Law Disputes

In this podcast, Robert and Eliana Baer highlight the potential risks for family law litigants who use social media platforms and why it is so critical to apply a greater degree of caution when using such sites while involved in a family law dispute.

[Download the podcast and transcript.](#)

- The Impact of “Grey Divorce” on Retirement Planning

In this podcast, Robert and Eliana Baer highlight the practical implications associated with the recent uptick in divorce among the “Baby Boomer” generation – those over the age of 50 – with a particular focus on how retirement planning for both spouses is affected.

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- Stop. Collaborate. Listen.

In this podcast, Robert and Eliana Baer explain why these three golden words are so critical to successful outcomes in divorce mediations and highlight the perils that can occur when divorcing spouses refuse to heed this advice during settlement talks.

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- Divorcing a Narcissist?

In this podcast, Robert and Eliana Baer highlight the special considerations that should be taken into account when divorcing someone who has a narcissistic personality.

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- The Effect of Emancipation on Child Support



In this podcast, Robert and Eliana Baer discuss emancipation, and specifically, what impact it has on the requirement to pay – or not pay – child support.

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- A Cautionary Tale of Alimony and the IRS

In this podcast, Robert and Eliana Baer explore the tax deduction of alimony, and specifically, why it is critical to structure a divorce or settlement agreement that leaves no ambiguity regarding deduction in the eyes of the Internal Revenue Service.

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New Jersey Family Legal Blog - [View Blog](#)