

# HILLARY ROBERTS-GRIFFITH PARTNER



BEST LAWYERS: ONES TO WATCH, 2024

RISING STARS, WASHINGTON SUPER LAWYERS® 2023

#### AREAS OF PRACTICE

- Divorce
- · Child Custody
- Child Support
- Domestic Violence
- Legal Separation
- Relocation
- Unmarried Couples
- Third Party Custody

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As a child of divorce herself, Hillary Roberts-Griffith identifies with her clients' circumstances on the most personal level, and understands the profound effects that divorce has on a family.

"I want my clients to know that I genuinely care. I care about their lives, their goals, and their children, and I want them to come through the divorce process in the best emotional and financial health possible."

With a master's degree in English Language and Literature, Hillary is a persuasive writer and articulate speaker. Whether through her legal writing or in court argument, she embraces the power of language to help her clients share their unique stories, and ensures that their position is clearly asserted and validated.

"I love telling people's stories. It is so rewarding when my client reads a declaration I have written or listens to my courtroom argument and later tells me, 'that's exactly what I wanted to say."

With her strategic approach to cases, Hillary stands prepared to handle cases no matter what direction they take. She's a tenacious advocate who, skilled in high-conflict litigation, thrives in the courtroom. However, she is also resourceful in finding creative solutions to avoid litigation, thereby eliminating the stress of trial.

Hillary is a mixed media artist who has displayed her artwork publicly. She enjoys taking spin classes, spending time with her nephews, and hiking with her spaniels, Muppet and Pickle.

"I have relied and depended on Hillary for life-changing legal advice. Hillary fought for, and came up with smart and practical resolutions that met my goals and protected my best interests."

- RICKY., FORMER CLIENT



#### **EDUCATION**

J.D., Seattle University School of Law M.A., Washington State University B.A., Washington State University

#### **DISTINCTIONS**

Listed in Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in the field of Family Law, 2022-2024 Distinguished as a Washington Rising Star by Super Lawyers®, 2020-2023 Rated "Superb" 10 out of 10 on Avvo.com

#### **MEMBERSHIPS**

Washington State Bar Association, 2013-Present
Washington State Bar Association, Family Law Section, 2014-Present
King County Bar Association, 2017-Present

#### IN THE COMMUNITY

Pro Bono Adjunct Professor, Seattle University School of Law, 2022 Mentor Attorney, Seattle University School of Law Legal Clinic, 2020–Present Volunteer Attorney, King County Family Law Clinics, 2018–Present Speaker's Bureau Member, King County Sexual Assault Resource Center, 2018-Present

### RECENT PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

- Presenter, "Parental Alienation and Abuse Allegations," Top Challenges in Washington Family Law, National Business Institute, November 2022
- Presenter, "Ethics in Family Law," Top Challenges in Washington Family Law,
   National Business Institute, November 2022
- Featured in "Next Gen in Law Series," Puget Sound Business Journal, July 2022
- Author, "Tread Carefully: Working with Pro Se Litigants," KCBA Bar Bulletin, March 2020
- Presenter, "Hearsay Objections and Exceptions," Applying the Rules of Evidence:
   What Every Attorney Needs to Know, National Business Institute CLE, 2018
- Presenter, "Witnesses- Admission of Evidence and Impeachment,"
   Authenticating and Admitting Evidence: Start to Finish, National Business
   Institute CLE, 2019
- Presenter, "Divorce Procedures, Initial Steps and Preliminary Orders," Family Law from Start to Finish, National Business Institute CLE, 2019

"Hillary has fought and is continuing to fight hard for my case. She's extremely diligent and logical, she fights for what's best in the situation and is compassionate and understanding. She does her job well and fights whole heartedly for her clients. In such a trying and hard time she's been the light that I needed. She's reassuring and affirmative. I would recommend her a thousand times over."

- JORDAN, FORMER CLIENT

#### ABOUT MCKINLEY IRVIN

Founded in 1991, McKinley Irvin is the Pacific Northwest's premier law firm focusing exclusively on the practice of family law. Attorneys at McKinley Irvin are acknowledged leaders in a range of traditional and cutting-edge areas of the practice, including divorce matters involving complex financial issues, collaborative law, contested child custody, international family law, military family law, and LGBT family law.





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