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JESSICA MOORE

SENIOR ATTORNEY



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AREAS OF PRACTICE

- Divorce
- Complex Divorce (cases involving business interests, complex financial issues, or asset values of \$1 million or more)
- Contested Child Custody
- Relocation
- Child Support Modifications
- Parenting Plan Modifications

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Since joining McKinley Irvin in 2005, Jessica Moore has helped untangle a plethora of highly complicated cases that have come to the firm. As senior attorney and chief support attorney for partner Jennifer Payseno, she frequently is tasked with communicating directly with clients, securing supplementary information and “helping sort through the inevitable complexities of their individual circumstances.”

“The most rewarding aspects of my work,” Jessica contends, “are drowning out the ‘noise’ and distractions that so often are a part of dissolution proceedings—and offering our clients a level of optimism about their future. I strive to make the legal process as easy to understand and navigate as possible, even when tackling the most difficult issues.”

An Alaska native and mother of two young boys who calls herself “an indoorsy girl who would rather bake and sew than camp and hunt,” Jessica says the broad nature of her academic background benefits her eclectic client base. Prior to pursuing legal studies, she earned her undergraduate degree magna cum laude in economics while also minoring in music, political science, and psychology. At one time or another, she maintains, knowledge in all these areas has been relevant to her work.

“Family law is an especially active practice area in that our clients come to us with different skills, interests, and professional and personal experiences. While the people change and the law itself evolves, one thing remains consistent: The need for capable, considerate legal representation. It is that kind of representation I seek to provide in all circumstances for all those we serve.”

Presently practicing in Eastern Washington, Jessica says she was attracted to McKinley Irvin because of the high-quality people affiliated with the firm. Although their styles and methods of practice may differ, she concedes, there exists a common commitment to excellence.

“Among the traits I most admire in my colleagues are the capacity to remain cordial in contested cases, thorough knowledge of applicable court rules and procedures (and the aptitude to apply them appropriately), meticulous attention to detail, and a common commitment to deal in good faith—including a willingness to avoid unnecessary litigation.”

“I personally felt that everyone involved in the case actually cared and enjoyed their job and were fighting for my rights. They definitely felt like family and treated me so.”

– Z.N., FORMER CLIENT



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EDUCATION

J.D. *cum laude*, Seattle University School of Law

B.A. *cum laude*, Whitworth College, Economics

- Lead Article Editor, Seattle University Law Review
- Presidential Law Scholar At Entry
- Presidential Scholar
- Whitworth Laureate Society

DISTINCTIONS

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MEMBERSHIPS

Washington State Bar Association, Family Law Section

King County Bar Association, Family Law Section

PUBLICATIONS

Author, Part One: Dissolution, Legal Separation and Declaration Concerning Validity, Chapter 9 Domestic Relations Practice, 2019 Washington Lawyers Practice Manual, King County Bar Association, June 2020

"We cannot begin to express our gratitude for all that the McKinley Irvin law firm has done for us. We would highly recommend the knowledgeable and dedicated law firm of McKinley Irvin to anyone who might be seeking legal services."

– P.M., 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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