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- Child Support Modifications
- Paternity
- Domestic Violence
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Lindsay Camandona's South Sound roots run deep. So does her fascination with the law.

The fifth-generation Tacoma native recalls as a youngster "watching Perry Mason and a host of other TV court shows," and regularly being counseled by family and friends that she was certain to become a lawyer. Lindsay carried those affirmations with her through college and law school, after which she joined a small general practice in Tacoma. It was there, she said, that she came to recognize—and appreciate—those all-important fundamentals of effective lawyering.

"I learned early that a lawyer's most prized professional asset is credibility—and credibility is earned. For me, it results from serving as a zealous client advocate at all times and in all circumstances, being flawlessly organized and well-prepared, and staying current on case law and the ever-changing body of legal rules."

Beyond these attributes, Lindsay cites empathy, "a certain level of objectivity," and the ability to relate to a wide variety of people as indispensable elements of effective family law practice. Feedback from clients suggests she possesses all these qualities—and then some.

"Lindsay is cheerful and warm, professional and ethical, and conducts herself with grace, dignity, and good humor," said one client recently. "She is competent, efficient, and produces high-quality work. In the courtroom, she is absolutely relentless, but in a polite and professional way."

High praise indeed for this talented and tenacious lawyer who insists that, above all else, she has a professional obligation to be candid and truthful in her dealings with clients.

"I try to bring an element of realism to the table," Lindsay explains. "The foundation of my relationship with every person I represent is mutual respect. And that begins with total honesty."

This approach to practice has served this lawyer exceptionally well. Also serving her well, contends the mother of two young children, is her affiliation with McKinley Irvin, which dates back to 2011.

"I work alongside a highly gifted group of attorneys whose expertise I can tap 24/7. There is great teamwork here," she notes. "We work together willingly—without question and without skipping a beat."

"Lindsay immediately put my mind at ease and treated my case with the utmost urgency. Her professionalism, knowledge of family law, and attention to detail I feel is unmatched. Both Lindsay and the staff at McKinley Irvin made me feel safe, secure, and properly represented."

– SCOTT, FORMER CLIENT



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EDUCATION

J.D., Seattle University School of Law

- CALI Excellence for the Future Award, Justice & Society

B.A., Political Science and Psychology, Washington State University, *cum laude*

DISTINCTIONS

Listed in The Best Lawyers in America® in the field of Family Law 2022-2024

Listed in Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in the field of Family Law, 2021

Distinguished as a *Washington Super Lawyer*, 2022-2023

Distinguished as a Washington Rising Star by Super Lawyers® 2017-2021

Peer review rated BV® Distinguished™ by Martindale-Hubbell®

10.0 "Superb" Rating on Avvo.com

"Client's Choice" award on Avvo.com, 2014-2018

APPOINTMENTS

Trustee, Tacoma Pierce County Bar Association (TPCBA), 2017-2019

Immediate Past President, TPCBA Young Lawyers Section, 2016-2017

President, TPCBA Young Lawyers Section, 2015-2016

President-Elect, TPCBA Young Lawyers Section, 2014-2015

Trustee, TPCBA Young Lawyers Section, 2013-2014

MEMBERSHIPS

Washington State Bar Association, Family Law Section

Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association, Family Law Section

IN THE COMMUNITY

Pro Bono Adjunct Professor, Seattle University School of Law, 2022

RECENT PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- Co-authored with Lindsay Noel, Chapter 11: Separations: De Facto and Filing for Legal Separation, Washington Family Law Deskbook, WSBA Continuing Legal Education, 2022
- Presenter, "Non-Pattern-form Actions – DeFacto Parentage, Committed Intimate Relationships," Domestic Relations Attorneys of Washington (DRAW) Annual Meeting, October 2022
- Presenter, "Pre-marital Agreements, Separation Contracts, and CR2A Agreements," Annual DRAW Meeting (Virtual), 2020
- Presenter, "Ethics for Storm Troopers," Tacoma Pierce County Bar Association Annual Bar Convention CLE, 2016

"Lindsay Camandona is knowledgeable, passionate, focused; the best attorney I have known and worked with. I was married to an attorney. I highly recommend Lindsay to anyone who needs an attorney who possesses integrity and knowledge of family law. Thank you, Lindsay."

– SALLY, FORMER CLIENT

"Lindsay is an excellent divorce attorney. She guided me through a very contentious divorce. She was always one step ahead, and prepared me for an overall positive outcome to my divorce."

– LISA, 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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