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**Atlanta, Georgia
December 15, 2008**

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KEY SEMINAR **BENEFITS**

Forge A Constructive Arrangement For Your Client's Family

- Examine the statutes regulating parental rights, responsibilities and parent/child contact.
- Start your case off on the right foot: find out how to commence or defend an initial custody proceeding.
- Be prepared to undergo the process of modifying an existing custody agreement at your client's request.
- Advise your client wisely on the options of ADR or mediation to resolve the dispute quickly and without the headache of trial.
- Take a closer look at the Parental Kidnapping Prevention Act to ensure your advice is accurate.
- Stay on top of the evolving realm of family law: advise your client on what rights grandparents and other third parties have in custody cases.
- Discuss how much impact the child's wishes should have when changing an agreement.
- Do you know what to do about visitation rights for an out-of-state parent? Find out here!
- At this stressful time, guard against undue stress: assess when or whether children should be interviewed on camera.
- Utilize enforcement remedies that are realistically available, and keep your client out of contempt.

ATLANTA — December 15

Cobb Galleria Centre

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IMPORTANT SEMINAR **DETAILS**

TIME

Registration 8:30 am - 9:00 am

Program 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Complimentary snacks and refreshments are provided. Lunch is on your own.

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\$335 for the first registrant

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SEMINAR **OUTLINE**

I. THE INTERPLAY OF STATUTES ON PARENTAL RIGHTS, RESPONSIBILITIES AND PARENT/CHILD CONTACT

9:00 - 9:45, Rebecca Crumrine

- A. Statutory Definitions
 - 1. Custody and Visitation in Divorce and Paternity Proceedings
 - 2. Domestic Abuse Proceedings
 - 3. Harassment Proceedings
 - 4. Relocation of a Child, Custodian or Non-Custodial Parent From the State
 - 5. Rights of Grandparents and Third Parties for Access to or Custody of Children
- B. Parental Kidnapping Prevention Act
- C. Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Act

II. COMMENCING OR DEFENDING AN INITIAL CUSTODY PROCEEDING

9:45 - 10:45, Rebecca Crumrine

- A. Tactical Decisions: When to File; What Kind of Legal Action Should Initiate Custody Proceedings
- B. Client Contact and Use of Available Resources During Custody Litigation
- C. The Expense of Custody Litigation: Personal, Familial and Financial Considerations for a Party and Attorney
- D. Experts -- What Kind and How to Use Them
- E. Scheduling of Hearings Before Magistrates
- F. Effect of the Child Support Laws Upon Custody Determinations
- G. Guardians Ad Litem

III. ETHICAL CONSIDERATIONS

11:00 - 12:00, Dennis G. Collard

- A. Fee Arrangements
- B. The Right of an Attorney to Withdraw From Representation
- C. Attorney Contact With the Children
- D. Special Considerations for Guardians Ad Litem Who are Attorneys and for Attorneys for Children

IV. CUSTODY MODIFICATION PROCEEDINGS

1:00 - 1:30, Dennis G. Collard

- A. Applicable Burden of Proof
- B. What Impact do the Desires of the Children Have on the Threshold Question of Change in Circumstances?
- C. Practical Considerations
- D. Use or Misuse of Domestic Abuse Proceedings to Affect Custody Modification

V. PARENT/CHILD CONTACT

1:30 - 2:15, Dennis G. Collard

- A. Resolving Visitation Issues Collaboratively
- B. What do You do for an Out-of-State Parent?
- C. Developmental Issues of Children vs. Parental Demands in Structuring Visitation Schedules
- D. Split Custody Issues
- E. Use of Guardians Ad Litem and Visitation Expeditors to Resolve Parental Conflicts on Scheduling

VI. ADR/MEDIATION OF CUSTODY ISSUES

2:15 - 3:00, Lisa Patrick

- A. When Mediation is Appropriate
- B. Participants in the Process and Their Roles
- C. Mediation Procedures
- D. Recent Trends

VII. TRIAL ISSUES

3:15 - 4:00, Lisa Patrick

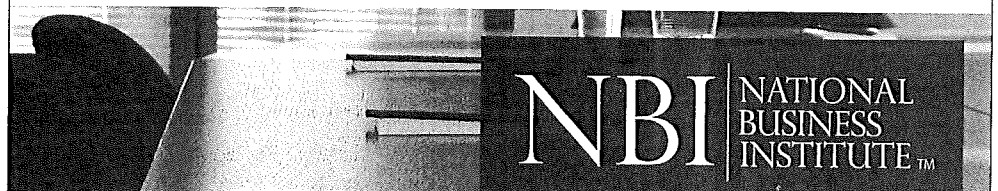
- A. Discovery Techniques
- B. Testimony of Experts
- C. Trying a Case With an Adverse Evaluation From Court Services
- D. Structuring the Information to be Presented to the Court
- E. Evidentiary Considerations -- Making Your Case
- F. In Camera Interviews of Children -- When or Why Not

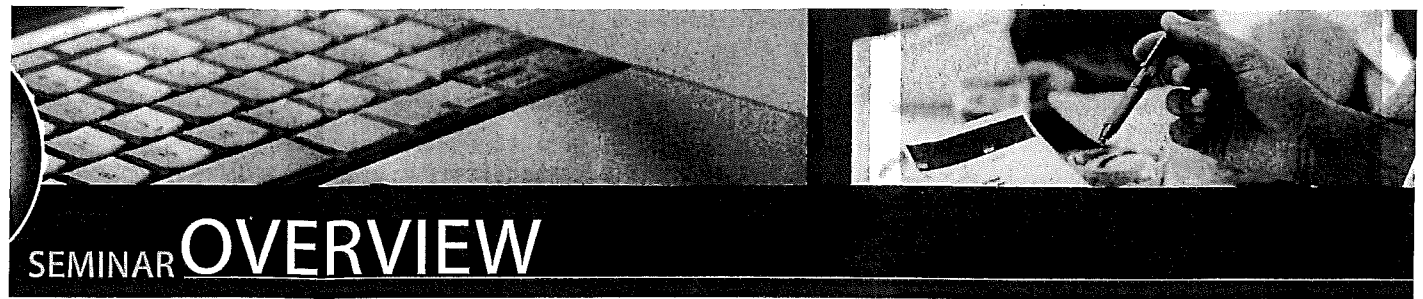
VIII. ENFORCEMENT

4:00 - 4:30, Lisa Patrick

- A. When is a Parent in Contempt?
- B. Remedies Realistically Available; How They are Invoked

*If needed, the above agenda may be changed to best accommodate all of our attendees.





SEMINAR **OVERVIEW**

No matter how nasty the divorce is, the best interests of the children should be foremost in the parents' minds. Each person's interpretation of "what's best" is going to be different, and it's up to you to make sure your client is comfortable with the outcome. This straightforward seminar is filled with real-life information that will increase your ability to get positive results for your client. Don't miss this chance to upgrade your skills - *enroll today!*

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