



State of the Practice Revisited



It is that time again to reflect on the past year. From strictly a business standpoint, we have been blessed with enough work to keep us pleasantly busy. Contrary to popular belief, divorce work tends to slow with the economy. There is a certain reality that divorcing couples face... if there isn't enough to support one household, there certainly won't be enough to support two households. Dividing debt is daunting. We weathered that storm.

Personally, we have learned the obvious. Our late partner Pat English cannot be replaced. We all miss her intellect, wisdom and special sense of humor. We are grateful for all of the support you showed for us during our time of loss.

We were busy achieving some professional milestones. Our partner, Audrey, passed her Board Certification exam in Family Law. Likewise, our paralegal, Ryan Dixon is now a Board Certified Family Law Paralegal. If you have not heard, the exams for Board Certification have become much more difficult. I remain thankful that I did not have to take their exams.

Keith attended the training at the Harvard Negotiation Institute and came back with new ideas and paradigms. He also spoke at the Advanced Family Law Conference last August about child support for disabled children. Andi has been spreading her community involvement wings and was voted President of Imagine Lockhart, which strives to unite Lockhart residents and encourage their community activism.



As noted in a prior email, Sam Colletti joined the firm as an Associate. Sam is one of those guys you want on your team, whether it is basketball, volleyball or the practice of law. He has proven to be adept at both team work and hard work. We are glad he is here.

As always, we appreciate your support of our firm. We continually work to provide efficient and affordable legal services. Our website received a slight facelift if you care to take a look: www.nems-law.com. We always welcome your comments—positive or otherwise, so please call or email me. Better yet, maybe we could go to lunch.

With best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lee Wilke".

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