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James' experience includes extensive work in matrimonial litigation involving complex financial issues, real estate, closely-held business interests and valuation disputes, as well as considerable experience in high-conflict child custody cases. James has authored and co-authored numerous appellate briefs in a wide variety of family law contexts, as well as other civil litigation. James also collaborates with other Carmody MacDonald trial attorneys in family law matters and in business litigation.

James has more than 30 years of litigation experience and has concentrated in family law for more than 25 years. James has represented numerous individuals in widely diverse domestic relations litigation, including considerable appellate practice.

Education

Saint Louis University School of Law, J.D., 1988

Practice Areas

- Family Law

Awards & Recognition

- Fellow, The American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers
- Super Lawyers
  - Missouri & Kansas Super Lawyers (2006-present)
  - Top 50: St. Louis Super Lawyers (2009, 2023)
  - Top 100: Missouri & Kansas Super Lawyers (2023)
- Best Lawyers – The Best Lawyers in America – Family Law (2009-present)
- Best Lawyers – "Lawyer of the Year" – Family Law (2013, 2018)
- Missouri Lawyers Weekly – "Best Award" – Family Law / Paternity (2008)
- Missouri Lawyers Weekly – "Best Award" Runner Up – Family Law / Paternity (2009)
- AV Peer Review-Rated, Martindale Hubbell

Professional & Community Involvement

- Missouri Bar Association
- Illinois Bar Association
- Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis
- St. Louis County Bar Association
- Lawyers for Kids Organization Board Member

Publications

- Presentations at the St. Louis and Kansas City Family Law Symposium (2009, 2013)
- Presentation at The Missouri Bar Annual Meetings (2009)
- Co-Author, *Recognizing and Defending Against Dirty Tricks and Disingenous Tactics in Matrimonial Litigation* – 2009 Family Law Symposium and The Missouri Bar 2009 Annual Meetings