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The Art of the No-Drama Divorce



Divorce isn't a topic that most people dwell on unless they're going through it or, like attorney Deborah Iwanyshyn, are on a daily

basis providing fair and equitable choices in divorce to clients. "My goal is to make the process more like the negotiation of a fair business deal, rather than trying to bury your mate."

Iwanyshyn prides herself on the "no-drama divorce," and finds that equitable outcomes are obtained when all financial, support and custody issues are addressed with full disclosure. Full disclosure includes evaluation of the marital estate, and understanding what is marital and what is non-marital. That's why Iwanyshyn & Associates has its own in-house forensic accounting team that can get to the heart of even the most complicated financial situations between marital partners. By having forensic accounting and business evaluation expertise on staff, clients can enjoy the benefit of not having to pay for costly outside contractors to review their cases.

Yet full disclosure is not limited to just finances. For many couples, the most important aspect of many marriages isn't the financial outlook, but the well-being of the children; therefore disclosing details concerning the children, their wants and needs, and future planning is beneficial. Getting to a fundamental

level of understanding on these matters is key to long-term success, and for both spouses to thrive in their new situations. No-Drama Divorce can be achieved through careful investigation, calm guidance and deep insight, as provided by Iwanyshyn & Associates.

Attorney Iwanyshyn is a former child custody mediator for the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas, and has studied mediation and family dynamics in depth. If your first concern is your child and custody rights, Iwanyshyn is the person to turn to who can understand your situation and help you get to the best outcome legally available to you and your children.

Aside from personal assets, your divorce situation may involve assets that are part of a private, family or closely held business. "I protect the business owner from unwarranted harassment from opposing counsel claiming he/she needs every document for the business since the business' inception. I also protect the spouse by ensuring that all income has been reported and that personal expenses, deducted through the business, are added back to income." Iwanyshyn & Associates has extensive experience analyzing profit & loss statements, balance sheets, tax records and business valuation reports for family or closely held businesses. Iwanyshyn has both a professional and personal relationship with the internationally renowned author and speaker Dr. Shannon Pratt, who has written eight books on business valuation and hundreds of technical papers on the subject. Iwanyshyn consults with Dr. Pratt and utilizes his service to conduct valuations when needed.

Over the years, many high-net-worth clients have sought and benefited from Iwanyshyn & Associates' advocacy. These clients may have assets in the form of unclaimed executive packages, golden parachutes and back-end compensation plans. She ensures that all assets are on the negotiating table to reach an equitable resolution without drama.

Regardless of a couple's financial independence, prenuptial and postnuptial agreements should be considered. Iwanyshyn & Associates has a unique three-step approach to remove drama, provide thoughtful guidance for both short-term success and long-term viability. Even in the most complicated of situations, Iwanyshyn & Associates staff is well-versed in the law and can help clients determine the best route toward protecting couples from unnecessary legal costs and high emotional drama if the partners later choose to dissolve the marriage. With more than 30 years of experience, Deborah Iwanyshyn has helped clients divide practices and businesses equitably, and to provide income to a nonprofessional spouse.

For more information on Iwanyshyn & Associates, go to the website at www.iwanyshyn.com, where you can read about the other areas of practice, watch informative videos, and read up on other topics related to the divorce process. Iwanyshyn has a blog on Tumblr.com at PaFamilyLaw and posts frequent updates to LinkedIn.com. You can call 412.487.1576 for an appointment to discuss your personal situation. Iwanyshyn & Associates is located at 2100 Legendary Lane, Allison Park, 15101.