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Education

University of California Hastings College of the Law

J.D. 2000; CALI Award for Negotiation; CALI Award for Mediation; Witkin Professional Responsibility Award, Hastings College of Law

U.C. Santa Cruz

B.A., Philosophy

Admissions

California Bar, 2000

Recognition

- Northern California Super Lawyers (2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2012, 2011, 2010)
- Certified Family Law Specialist (since 2007)
- Wiley W. Manuel Award for Pro Bono Legal Services

Professional Activities

- Chair of Civil Early Settlement Conference Program for the Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara (2013-2017)
- Chair of the Family Law Section of the San Mateo County Family Law Bar Association (2009-2010)
- Association of Family Law Specialists
- Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC)
- American Bar Association (ABA)
- San Mateo County Bar Association
- Santa Clara County Bar Association

Personal Interests

Doug is an avid skier, musician and yoga practitioner.

Douglas Robin has extensive experience representing clients in their family law matters, including resolving custodial and financial issues in divorce. He rarely considers litigation the starting point and believes negotiated settlements usually yield the best results. Doug has served as a mediator, consulting attorney, or trial attorney in hundreds of divorces, often helping his clients avoid the financial toll of litigation and the intangible stress associated with court. When a case cannot be settled, Doug has extensive trial experience and is a skilled advocate in the Courtroom. After 20 years of experience in settlement and litigation, Doug is focusing his practice primarily on mediation, settlement judge, consulting attorney and a very select number of litigation cases.

Even after 20 years of specializing in divorce and family law, Doug still views each case as unique. He listens to his clients' goals and focuses on their individual circumstances to guide them through a period of transition and sometimes crisis. He views the initial client meeting as an opportunity to ascertain if he and the client are a good fit, provide a preliminary overview of your legal rights and obligations and determine potential initial strategy as to how to achieve your goals.

I try to create the opportunity for best-case scenarios and to be honest with clients on what to expect. I work closely with my clients to navigate both the legal and emotional process of their divorce. Each divorce is unique and needs to be tended to thoughtfully.

Doug represents a range of parties in divorce, including high-net worth individuals, venture capitalists, entrepreneurs, executives at start-ups, whether the party is the employed or non-employed spouse. He has extensive experience in dissolutions that involve business valuations, executive compensation, stock options, deferred compensation, vocational evaluations and custody evaluations. Doug frequently works with professionals and specialists in forensic accounting, mental health, child custody and other areas to meet the needs and challenges of his clients.

In mediation, Doug seeks to help people avoid litigation and reach an intelligent mediated settlement, with or without counsel present. He is an advocate of meditation and processes that support people becoming less reactive and more in control of healthy responses and moving holistically toward their goals.

Doug became interested in family law while a student at the University of California Hastings College of the Law, and he continues to be motivated by the opportunity to help clients find artful and creative ways to reach resolution of their family law matters. He emphasizes close collaboration, empowering clients to take ownership during the process as they work toward achieving the best results.