

ASSOCIATE

# Emily A. Weber

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## OVERVIEW

Emily Weber has more than a decade of experience in family law, handling divorces, as well as post-divorce and paternity actions, contested custody and removal matters, and modification and contempt proceedings.

Among her clients are high-net-worth individuals whose cases involve complex financial issues, including business valuations and trusts. She advocates for clients experiencing high-conflict custody issues, including contested custody and removal actions and cases with Massachusetts Department of Children & Families and Guardian ad Litem involvement. Additionally, Emily is skilled at negotiating and drafting extensive separation agreements that include detailed parenting plans, complex asset division, and support structures involving stock options, startup companies, and tax considerations.

Emily's clients typically have concerns about co-parenting, financial standing post-divorce, uncertainty regarding the process, and what their lives will look like after their divorce is complete. Emily works tirelessly to guide her clients through the divorce process, and advocates for the best possible outcome for them, their children, and their future.

When cases cannot be negotiated to reach a favorable global settlement, Emily draws upon her extensive courtroom experience to assist clients. That work includes trial, evidentiary hearings, pre-trial conferences, motion hearings and contempt hearings.

"Divorce and family law matters are not one size fits all," says Emily. "I enjoy working with clients during a difficult time in their lives, compassionately listening to their needs, interests, and goals, and collaboratively working with them to tailor a path forward."

One of Emily's notable cases involved representing a pro bono client in an international parental kidnapping case, and securing the return of his 8-year-old daughter to the United Kingdom. Filing in federal court under the Hague Convention's treaty that addresses such matters, Emily and her colleagues prevailed, rebutting the mother's claims and reuniting the father and daughter in 2022, nearly two years after their separation.

## EXPERIENCE

- Representing high-net-worth clients with high value assets and complex financial issues, including business valuations and trusts
- Courtroom experience, including trial, evidentiary hearings, pre-trial conferences, motion hearings and contempt

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- Negotiating and drafting comprehensive separation agreements involving detailed parenting plans and complex asset division and support structures involving stock options, startup companies, and tax considerations
- Handling high-conflict custody issues, including contested custody and removal actions, and cases with Guardian ad litem and DCF involvement
- Engaging in all aspects of discovery, including conducting and defending depositions and written discovery
- Working directly with experts for litigation support, including business valuers, real estate appraisers, and tax professionals

## AFFILIATIONS

- Member, Massachusetts Collaborative Law Council
- Member, Massachusetts Bar Association
- Member, Boston Bar Association
- Member, Women's Bar Association

## HONORS

- Named to *Forbes Advisor* list of Best Divorce Lawyers Boston, MA of 2024
- *Boston* magazine's Top Lawyers List, Family Law (2023-2024)
- Massachusetts *Super Lawyers* Rising Stars list (2018, 2020-2024)
- Excellence in the Law Honoree, Up and Coming Lawyers, *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly* (2018)
- Women's Leadership Initiative Class Honoree, Women's Bar Association of Massachusetts (2017-2018)

## BAR ADMISSIONS

- Massachusetts
- U.S. District Court, District of Massachusetts
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit

## EDUCATION

- J.D., Boston University School of Law
- B.A., University of Minnesota, Twin Cities