



## Andrew A. Zashin

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Super Lawyers



**Andrew Zashin** works extensively in all facets of domestic relations law including divorce, dissolution, child custody, support issues, marital settlement agreements, and equitable property divisions. In his distinguished career, Andrew has received numerous accolades for his capabilities and effective representation of his clients. Andrew has been named a Fellow of both the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers and the International Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers. In 2007 and 2008, Worth Magazine (Robb Report) named Andrew to its list of the “Top 100” attorneys in the nation. For the past 10 years, Andrew has also been named in the elite lawyers rating guide, “Best Lawyers in America,” and was designated Lawyer of the Year for Family Law in Cleveland for 2013. Martindale-Hubbell, a well-known national lawyer rating guide, has awarded Andrew its highest rating. This rating is reserved for lawyers who have “reached the heights of professional excellence” and “the highest levels of skill and integrity.”

With respect to financial issues of divorce litigation, Andrew practices in the following areas:

- evaluating and dividing business and partnerships interests;
- crafting complex property settlements;
- drafting long and short term spousal support arrangements;
- accounting for the misappropriation and hiding of marital assets;
- enforcing and challenging pre-nuptial contracts; and
- vacating divorce entries on the basis of fraud and non-disclosure of assets.

In connection with child custody matters, Andrew is experienced with the following:

- allocating parental rights and responsibilities;
- representing parents in custody disputes between states and countries;
- drafting shared parenting plans and visitation schedules;
- advising and litigating issues covering parental relocation;
- computing complex child support calculations;
- litigating domestic violence and sexual abuse issues; and
- analyzing and utilizing psychological expert testimony concerning the “best interests of the child”

## Education

Case Western Reserve University School of Law  
J.D., Case Western Reserve Law Review Editor, 1993

Brown University – A.B., History, 1990

## Admissions

State: Ohio

State: Florida

State: New York

State: Washington D.C.

Federal: U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit

Federal: U.S. District Court, Northern District of Ohio

Federal: U.S. District Court, Southern District of Ohio

## Memberships

Cuyahoga County Bar Association  
(Former Family Law Section Chairman)

Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association

Ohio State Bar Association

American Bar Association

## Commendations

Fellow, American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers

Fellow, International Academy of Family Lawyers

- USA Chapter Delegate, USA

- Member, The Hague Committee

- Member, Artificial Reproductive Technologies (ARTs) Committee

OSBA Certified Specialist in Family Relations Law

AV Preeminent Rated through Martindale-Hubbell

Best Lawyers (2006 – 2019);

2013 Lawyer of the Year (Family Law – Cleveland)

Super Lawyers (2004 – 2019)

Ohio Super Lawyers Top 100 List  
(2018, 2015, multiple)

Top 50 Super Lawyers in Cleveland  
(2019, 2015, multiple)

Recognition of Service – Outstanding Dedication of Service as Adjunct Faculty Member for 15 Years (2018)  
Case Western Reserve University School of Law

Elected Member, Society of Benchers  
(Career achievement, 2010)

Case Western Reserve University School of Law  
40 Under 40 Crain's Cleveland Business (2006)

Distinguished Recent Graduate  
(10 years post-graduation, 2003)

Case Western Reserve University School of Law

Besides representing parents with custody matters inside of Ohio, Andrew has a wealth of experience working beyond the boundaries of Ohio. Child custody cases are complicated by an alphabet soup of laws and treaties that make already difficult situations more difficult. Andrew and the team of domestic relations lawyers at Zashin & Rich have experience dealing with national laws like the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act, Parental Kidnapping Prevention Act, and others related to child custody matters between the states. Also, Andrew is experienced in handling international child custody matters. Andrew and the domestic relations lawyers at Zashin & Rich have represented parents in the United States and overseas in relation to the implementation and enforcement of The Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction.

Andrew is an Adjunct Professor at Case Western Reserve University School of Law where he teaches an advanced family law course. Andrew has published numerous articles regarding family law topics and regularly presents and lectures on family law related topics. He is regularly sought as a legal commentator and analyst for regional and national media. He has been quoted in or made appearances on the New York Times, Associated Press, The Today Show, CNN, The Anderson Cooper Show, MSNBC, National Public Radio (NPR “The Here and Now”) and many others.



“To fight and conquer in all our battles is not supreme excellence; supreme excellence consists of breaking the enemy’s resistance without fighting.”

– Sun Tzu, The Art of War

## Appointments

### CLE National Planning Committee

American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers  
Annual National Convention, Chicago, Illinois, November, 2018

### Adjunct Professor of International Law

Cox International Law Center, Case Western Reserve University  
School of Law, 2017–2018-present

### Adjunct Professor, Case Western Reserve University

School of Law, Since 2003

### Family Law Mediator / Arbitrator

American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers  
Advanced Mediator Training, AAML 2017

### Governor, United States Delegate

International Academy of Family Lawyers Annual Meeting,  
Reykjavik, Iceland September, 2017

## Representative Cases

*Monasky v. Taglieri*, U.S., No. 18-935, certiorari granted June 10, 2019.

*Taglieri v. Monasky*, 907 F.3d 404 (6th Cir. 2018) (en banc),  
*cert. pending*, No. 18-935 (U.S. Jan. 18, 2019).

*Taglieri v. Monasky*, No. 16-4128, 2018 U.S. App. LEXIS 5408 (6th Cir.  
Mar. 2, 2018) (en banc). (The first Habitual Residence Case under The  
Hague Convention to be heard en banc by a US Court of Appeals in history  
and only the second Hague Case ever to be heard by an en banc court of  
appeals panel because of its exceptional public importance.)

*Expert Witness “In Re: the matter of ‘M’”*, Interpretation of Ohio  
Revised Code, Court of Appeals, Tel Aviv, Israel, September, 2017.

*Taglieri v. Monasky*, No. 16-4128, (6th Cir. argued May 3, 2017).

*Taglieri v. Monasky*, No. 16A557, (U.S. dismissed December 9, 2016).  
Motion to Stay Denied by Supreme Court Justice Elena Kagan.

*Taglieri v. Monasky*, No. 1:15-CV-00947, 2016 WL 8135530,  
(N.D. Ohio Jan. 25, 2016).

*Roche v. Hartz*, No. 1:10 CV 1819, 2011 U.S. Dist LEXIS 22477  
(N.D. Ohio Mar. 7, 2011) (Determination of Habitual Residence  
under 1980 Hague Convention)

*France v. France*, 8th Dist. Cuyahoga No. 95629, 2011-Ohio-2402  
(The famous “Facebook Bigamist” Case / appeal involving interstate  
child custody and UCCJEA questions)

*Dobos v. Dobos*, 2009 U.S. Dist. Lexis 127474 (S.D. Ohio W.D.  
(Interpretation of Grave Risk of Harm under 1980 Hague Convention)

*Rosen v. Celebrezze*, 117 Ohio St.3d 241, 2008-Ohio-853 (Ohio Supreme  
Court matter involving child custody jurisdiction between states)

*Shutway v. Shutway*, 8th Dist. Cuyahoga No. 76737, 2000 Ohio App. LEXIS  
461 (Feb. 10, 2000) (Burden of evidence necessary for domestic violence  
civil protection order “CPO”)

*Lachowyn v. Lachowyn*, 6th Dist. Erie No. E-94-36, 1995 Ohio App. LEXIS  
1539 (April 14, 1995) (Property division in high net worth, significant  
spousal support, divorce case)

*Solon Family Physicians, Inc. v. Jean Buckles, et al.*, 96  
Ohio App. 3d 460 (8th Dist. 1994) (Prevailed on behalf of  
medical practice in contract dispute against law firm)

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## Representative Lectures / Presentations

**Presenter**, *Planning for every eventuality: Protecting your children from their future spouses*, International Bar Association's 24th International Private Client Conference at Claridge's, London, United Kingdom, March 5, 2019

**Presenter**, *Attacking and Defending Prenuptial Agreements*, "What Every Practitioner Needs To Know," a collaboration between the Ohio Chapter of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers and the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association, February 18, 2019

**Panelist**, *Learn From Lawyers*, Case Western Reserve University, Oct. 26, 2018

**Presenter**, *Sixth Circuit Court En Banc Addresses Habitual Residence Under The Hague Convention*, American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers Ohio Chapter, Columbus, Ohio, October 8, 2018

**Co-Presenter**, *U.S. Justice System – Protecting Women and Children*, U.S. Department of State-sponsored delegation through the International Visitor Leadership Program (IVLP), August 6, 2018

**Featured Lecturer**, *Hiding in plain sight: The International Family Law Issues Lawyers and Judges Miss*, Cox International Law Center, Case Western Reserve University School of Law, February 20, 2018

**Co-Presenter**, *Abducted Children Caught in the Ohio Judicial System: New Precedent and New Ways of Thinking about Child Custody Jurisdiction*, Judicial Conference of the Eighth Judicial District of Ohio, May 8, 2015

**Presenter**, *Should I Stay or Should I Go? Assessing Relocation Issues*, American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, November 2014

*Filling the Gaps with Public Policy: The Application of the Hague Convention Protocol in US Courts in the Absence of a Co-Signing State*, article abstract presentation, International Society of Family Law, Regional Conference in Israel, Hod HaSharon, Israel, January 2014

*New Trends in Alternative Dispute Resolution in the United States*, Israel Bar Association, Conference on Alternative Dispute Resolution, Eilat, Israel, April 2013

*The Enforcement of Religious Agreements in the Family Law Setting*, American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, Florida Chapter, 34th Annual Family Law Symposium, Orlando, Florida, May 2012

**Co-Presenter**, *Culture, Religion and Divorce*, American Academy Matrimonial Lawyers, Ohio Chapter, 23rd Annual Family Law Symposium, Columbus, Ohio, October 2011

**Lecturer**, New Lawyer Training Seminar: *"The 10 Commandments of Domestic Relations Law."* Cuyahoga County Bar Association. Cleveland, Ohio, January 6, 2004

**Lecturer**, Advanced Family Law Symposium: *"Estate Planning for Tax Purposes and its Impact on a Subsequent Divorce."* Cleveland Bar Association. Cleveland, Ohio, November 3, 2004

**Moderator**, Improving Public Trust Forum. Ohio Judicial Conference. Columbus, Ohio, January 16, 2002

## Publications

\_\_\_\_ Zashin, Baldwin's Ohio Practice Domestic Relations 4th, *Obergefell v. Hodges: A Consideration its Impact Through the Lens of American Judaism (working title)*, Section \_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_ 2019 Update).

Zashin, *Obergefell v. Hodges: A Consideration its Impact Through the Lens of American Judaism*, \_\_\_\_ Ohio Dom. Rel. J. \_\_\_\_ (June/July 2019).

*The United States as a Refuge State for Child Abductors: Why the United States' Fails to Meet Its Own Expectations Relative to the Hague Convention*, JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF MATRIMONIAL LAWYERS, Vol. 28, 2015 No. 1 (University of Missouri – Kansas City School of Law)

*Filling the Gaps with Public Policy: The Application of the Hague Convention Protocol in US Courts in the Absence of a Co-Signing State*, INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF LAW, POLICY AND THE FAMILY 2014 (Oxford University)

*Child Custody Litigation and Settlements*, 2013 Thomson Reuters/Aspatore (Contributing Author)

*Bus Bombings and a Baby's Custody: Insidious Victories for Terrorism in the Context of International Custody Disputes*, JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF MATRIMONIAL LAWYERS, Vol. 21, 2008 No. 1 (University of Missouri – Kansas City School of Law)

*A Closer Look at Separation Agreements and Settlement Agreements in Divorce and Dissolution Proceedings*, DOMESTIC RELATIONS JOURNAL OF OHIO, Banks/Baldwin West Publishing, November-December 2001.

Updated and revised, Baldwin's Ohio Practice. Sowald Morganstern Domestic Relations Law Vol. 2, Chapter 25: *Pleadings and Practice*. West Group Publishing, 2002 revision, forthcoming.

*The Enforceability of Settlement Agreements (In-Court Agreements)*, DOMESTIC RELATIONS JOURNAL OF OHIO, Banks/Baldwin West Publishing, January-February 2001

Contributor and presenter to DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, REFERENCE MANUAL No. 99-106, OSBA CLE Institute, Chapter 8: *Domestic Violence and Its Impact on Custody and Discovery*

## Community Service / Pro-Bono

Case Western Reserve University School of Law

2018, 25th Reunion Advisory Committee

2018 Endowed, Zashin & Rich *Employment Law Prize*

2005 – Present Endowed, Zashin & Rich *Family Law Prize*

Case Western Reserve Law Alumni Association, Second Vice President

Alumni Board Officer:

Vice President, 2006–2009

Second Vice President, 2005–2006

Secretary, 2004–2005

Treasurer, 2003–2004

Alumni Board Member, 2001–2003

Lake View Cemetery Foundation, Trustee

*Site of the James A. Garfield Presidential Memorial*

"A Run Through History" Fundraiser

Organizing and Planning Committee Member and Sponsor, Lake View Cemetery Foundation, October 2017



## Press / Media

### Hollywood Life

*Khloe Kardashian and Tristan Thompson's Custody Case Could Get 'Very Messy': Lawyer Explains*

### 2018 Ohio Super Lawyers

*Cleveland family law attorney Andrew Zashin gets a 6th Circuit ruling that brings consistency to cases involving vulnerable children*

### Case Western Reserve University School of Law

*Adjunct Professors Zashin, Keating and Reynolds take on path-breaking Hague Convention Case*

### 2018 Ohio Super Lawyers

*Family law attorney Andrew Zashin asks the 6th Circuit to bring consistency to cases involving vulnerable children*

### Cleveland Jewish News

*Landmark international residence case could impact those making aliyah*

### WJR Detroit – Audio Interview

*Attorney Andrew Zashin chats with Guy Gordon to discuss the new Illinois law for dogs when parents are getting a divorce.*

### Cleveland Jewish News

*Surrogacy, child custody laws develop as cases arise*

### Keshet 12 TV (Israel)

*From Arizona to Ness Ziona (Three-part documentary TV series exploring American Family Law, Criminal Law, Education and Culture)*

### LakeView Cemetery Heritage ReView

*Trustee Spotlight: Andrew Zashin*

### Cleveland Jewish News

*Ohio Woman Receives Orthodox Divorce Decree*

### The Plain Dealer

*Attorney Goes To Bat for Northeast Ohio*

### Cleveland Jewish News

*Profile on Andrew Zashin*

### “Here and Now” on NPR (National Public Radio)

#### Audio Interview with Andrew Zashin

*In A Divorce, Who Gets To Keep The Dog?*

### Associated Press

*US Claims Father Illegally Moved Kids to Gaza*

### 2012 Ohio Super Lawyers

*Mentors | Andrew Zashin: Reminiscing About Robert Zashin*

### Huff Post

*Divorce's Impact On Small Businesses Can Be 'Immense'*

### The Today Show | Video

*Accused Facebook bigamist heads to court*

### MSNBC

*Facebook Busts Accused Bigamist*

*Woman Finds Her Prince Charming Has Married Another*

### WKYC.com | Article and Video

*Cleveland woman discovers husband's 'other' wife via Facebook*

### Worth Magazine | “Top 100 Attorneys” 2007

*Andrew Zashin named by Worth Magazine a Top 100 Attorney*

### Inside Business Magazine

*Profile on Andrew Zashin*

*Connecting Through Separation*

### Cleveland Jewish News

*Business Legal Matters – Valuing and dividing assets at the time of divorce*

### Case School of Law: In Brief

*Alumni Spotlight on Andrew Zashin*

*“Plugged into Family, the Law, and Cleveland”*

### Cleveland Magazine

*Feature Article Profiling Andrew Zashin*

*“The Divorcing Woman's Best Friend”*

