

Marta J. Papa

ATTORNEY AT LAW
& MEDIATOR

EDUCATION

- Juris Doctorate, University of Houston, 1980
- Graduate of Marriage and Family Therapy Program, Karl Menninger School of Psychiatry, 1998
- Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, University of Illinois, 1977

CURRENT EXPERIENCE

PRIVATE LAW PRACTICE

Specializing in Family Law - Active practice in Missouri (St. Louis County, St. Louis City, St. Charles County, Jefferson County) and Illinois (Madison and St. Clair Counties)

PRIVATE MEDIATION PRACTICE

Specializing in Divorce Mediation; Also conducts Mediation Trainings approved by the Missouri Supreme Court and the Illinois Supreme Court

ADJUNCT FACULTY AT ST. LOUIS UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

Teaching Mediation

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Year	Training Type	Instructor/Sponsor	Hours
1985	Mediation	Wisconsin Bar Association	12.0
1987	Mediation	Robert Benjamin	40.0
1993	Advanced Mediation	AFM	10.0
1993	Advanced Mediation	Chicago Bar Assn. & AFM	12.0
1993	Advanced Mediation & Negotiation	BAMSL	7.2
1993	Mediation	BAMSL	8.0
1994	Mediation	John Haynes	32.0
1994	Mediation	Ann Milne & Peter Salem	16.0
1994	Mediation and Early Neutral Evaluation	U.S. District Court	12.0
1995	Mediation	Zena Zumeta	8.0
1995	Advanced Mediation	University of Missouri School of Law	8.0
1996	Civil Mediation	USA&M	24.0
1998	Advanced Mediation	MO Office of State Courts Administrators	4.0

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

2001	Advanced Mediation	USA&M	7.8
2002	Basic Collaborative Law	John McElwee	13.0
2003	Collaborative Law	Sherri Slovin	16.0
2003	Interdisciplinary Collaborative Law	Vancouver IACP Conference	13.0
2004	Advanced Interdisciplinary Collaborative Law	Chip Rose	16.0
2004	Advanced Interdisciplinary Collaborative Law	Boston IACP Conference	7.0
2005	Advanced Interdisciplinary Collaborative Law	Susan Gamache & Nancy Cameron	16.0
2006	Advanced Interdisciplinary Collaborative Law	San Diego IACP Conference	15.0
2006	Initiating the Collaborative Process	CFLA	2.0
2007	Joan Kelley seminar on "The Alienated Child Syndrome"	Joan Kelley & AFCC	8.5

CERTIFICATIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS

Licensed to practice law in Illinois and Missouri

Elected to the BAR REGISTER OF PREEMINENT LAWYERS for High Professional Legal Standards and Ethics

Certification by U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Missouri (as Mediator and Early Neutral Evaluator)

Certification as Mediator by 20th Judicial Circuit, St. Clair County, IL, and 3rd Judicial Circuit, Madison County, IL

International Academy of Collaborative Professionals

Association for Conflict Resolution

Collaborative Family Law Association

Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis

St. Louis Psychological Association

PUBLICATIONS AND APPEARANCES

Featured Speaker on “Mediation” at Adoption & Foster Care Coalition 2007 Annual Meeting, November 14, 2007.

Featured Speaker, Land of Lincoln Family Law Training, University of Illinois-Springfield, October 12, 2007.

Featured Speaker on “Custody Mediation” at Lewis & Clark Chapter of the Illinois Counseling Association, October 4, 2007.

Featured Speaker on “Negotiation Theory” at National Association of Women Business Owners meeting, July 18, 2007.

Featured Speaker, St. Louis Financial Planners Association Meeting, April 5, 2007.

Mediation Instructor chosen by Madison and St. Clair County Judiciary to teach 40-hour mediation course to Judges, July 11 – 15, 2006.

St. Louis Business Journal, Marta J. Papa, “Local Collaborative Family Law Association Formed”, September 19-25, 2003.

St. Louis Lawyer Magazine, Marta J. Papa, “Interdisciplinary Collaborative Law”, August 6, 2003.

Ladue News, Marta J. Papa, “Collaboration”, August 1, 2003.

St. Louis Lawyer Magazine, Marta J. Papa, “Collaborative Law: A New Alternative for Divorcing Couples”, February, 2003.

KMOX Radio, Interview February, 20, 2003, “How Mediation Prevents Escalation of Hostilities During Divorce”.

Missouri Lawyer’s Weekly, Marta J. Papa, “Collaborative Law in Dissolution Cases”, October 28, 2002.

Guest Speaker on “Grandparents Rights During Divorce”, at Grandparents Acting as Parents Conference, St. Louis, MO, October, 2002.

Featured Speaker, at Advanced Mediation Training, September, 2001, an advanced training sponsored by United States Arbitration and Mediation.

Channel 2 News, Interview, “Violence and Divorce”, July, 2001; discussed Divorce Mediation.

KSDK Channel 5, Interviewed for feature story entitled, “The Good Divorce”, May, 2000.

**PUBLICATIONS
AND APPEARANCES,
Cont'd.**

Featured Speaker at Advanced Guardian Ad Litem Training, March, 1999, sponsored by the Missouri Bar.

Missouri Lawyer's Weekly, Marta J. Papa, "Mediation Program Approved for St. Louis County Family Court", April, 1995, and "Divorce Mediation in St. Louis County", 1998.

Featured Speaker at Advanced Mediation Training offered by the 'Office of the State Courts Administrator', State of Missouri, June 19, 1998.

St. Louis Parent Magazine, Joy Ward, "Mediation for the Future", June, 1998 - Interviewed for this article.

Featured Speaker at First Dispute Resolution Day Conference in St. Louis, Missouri, May, 1998.

Missouri Bar Journal, Marta J. Papa, "Divorce Mediation: How Is It Working in St. Louis?", November, 1997.

ABC Television News Broadcast - Guest on evening news, interviewed on "Mediation and Rights of the Unwed", July 16, 1997.

Guest Speaker on Mediation at State Convention of Missouri Association of Marital and Family Therapists, 1996.

St. Louis Post-Dispatch, Judith Newmark, "Way to Smooth Road to Painful Divorce", March, 1995. (Interviewed by columnist Judith Newmark.)

St. Louis Suburban Journals, Marc Witengier, "County to Promote Divorce Mediation", March, 1995 (Interviewed by staff writer Marc Witengier).

News Weekly, Marta J. Papa, "Recent Changes in St. Louis County Family Court", May, 1995.

Ladue News, Marta J. Papa, "Divorcing Parents to Take Classes", March, 1995.

Featured Speaker at Continuing Legal Education Program on Mediation, sponsored by Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis.

WIBV Radio- Guest on Radio Program; discussed Divorce Mediation.

Television Channel 47- Guest on Community Service Program called, "In Your Interest"; discussed Divorce Mediation.

