



## **IAFL Introduction to European Family Law Conference**

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Kenneth practices family law exclusively. He routinely assists and advises clients who live across Canada and abroad with respect to various family law matters including divorce, support issues, parenting/custody issues, inter-jurisdictional family law issues such as Hague Applications and property division issues. He has significant experience litigating before all levels of court in Ontario. A large portion of his practice also involves representing clients in mediations and arbitrations. Kenneth also assists clients with negotiating and drafting domestic contracts including cohabitation agreements and marriage contracts. He is a member of the Law Society of Ontario and the Toronto Lawyers Association.

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Oren has practiced family law exclusively since 2005. He advocates for his clients when negotiating agreements, appearing before trial and appellate courts as well as in mediations and arbitrations. Oren handles all aspects of family law including property and support, parental decision-making responsibility (custody), and parenting time (access). Oren acts for clients based in Ontario and internationally.

Oren is a highly-regarded member of the legal community, recognized for his proficiency by inclusion in Best Lawyers in Canada® and Lexpert®. His commitment to advancing legal practice is demonstrated through his active involvement with the Toronto Lawyers Association and The Advocates' Society. Furthermore, his international standing is underscored by his roles as a past Governor of the International Academy of Family Lawyers and past President of the Canadian Chapter.

Oren is a qualified mediator and arbitrator. He was granted the OAFM accreditation and designation by the Ontario Association for Family Mediation.

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Elizabeth Carson is a partner at international law firm Penningtons Manches Cooper, based in London. She is dual qualified in England and Wales and New York and frequently acts in cases with a US or international dimension.

Elizabeth advises clients on complex financial disputes where there are assets in multiple jurisdictions, and on domestic and multi-jurisdictional pre- and post-nuptial agreements. She also represents parents in disputes concerning children and has a particular interest in cases involving the international relocation.

Elizabeth is a fellow of the IAFL. She is a qualified collaborative lawyer and speaks French, Portuguese and Spanish.

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Mudita represents clients in all aspects of family and matrimonial law. She has significant experience settling and litigating disputed cases before both the trial and appellate courts. Mudita is an assertive and compassionate advocate who fights relentlessly for her clients. Known for helping clients navigate through the divorce process and understand how the legal system works, Mudita keenly listens to her clients' concerns and crafts legal strategies with them which realize their goals. She is a skilled negotiator who recognizes that her clients' needs are often best met through settlement. At other times, however, when it is in her clients' best interests, Mudita will zealously litigate their cases, making her clients' goals her highest priority. Mudita's tenacity and attention to detail are invaluable assets that her clients revere time and again.

Mudita is a member of the International Academy of Family Lawyers, where she serves as the Assistant Treasurer, the New York Bar Association (Family Law Section), the Women's Bar Association of the State of New York and the New York Women's Bar Association. She served as a member of Sanctuary for Families' Pro Bono Committee. Mudita has been recognized by Super Lawyers, Law Dragon 500, Leading Family Lawyers, Ten Best Female Attorneys, Top Attorneys in Metro New York, Top Women Attorneys in Metro New York, Leading Family Lawyers, Top Family Law Practitioners and the National Association of Professional Women as Woman of the Year.

Mudita has been qualified as an expert to testify on New York State Matrimonial Law. She has served as a faculty member of the American Bar Association, Commission on Domestic & Sexual Violence on numerous occasions and the ABA International Law Section, a guest lecturer at The Annual Fordham Forum on Domestic Violence and has presented at conferences of the International Academy of Family Lawyers. She has been published in the American Bar Association, Family Advocate and has appeared in the New York Law Journal, Super Lawyers New York Metro 2021, Bloomberg Law, the Daily News, and as a guest expert in Family Law on the Star Jones Show on Court TV.

Prior to joining Chemtob Moss Forman & Beyda, LLP, Mudita was a staff attorney at Sanctuary for Families. She is proficient in Hindi and French. Licensed to practice in Illinois in addition to New York, Mudita received her law degree from University of Illinois, College of Law. She earned a Master's degree in English from University of Illinois, and her undergraduate degree from Bentley College.