



Rae M. Kinkead

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PRACTICE AREAS

Family Law

Appellate Advocacy

Agriculture Law

Rae Kinkead is a family law attorney and mediator in the firm's family law practice group. She represents individuals in all aspects of domestic relations, including but not limited to, divorce, property division, child custody and support, prenuptial agreements, guardianships and domestic violence. Ms. Kinkead recognizes that each case needs personalized legal strategies. She is an experienced litigator and is well-versed in mediation and limited representation. She also works in appellate advocacy, challenging and defending trial court decisions.

Ms. Kinkead completed the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyer's Institute for Family Law Associates Advanced Training in 2018 and the American Bar Association's Family Law Trial Advocacy Program held by the National Institute for Trial Advocacy in 2015. She completed the Mosten Basic Divorce Mediation Training in 2016 and the PBA Basic Interdisciplinary Collaborative Practice Training in 2023.

Bar Admissions

- State of Iowa, 2013

Education

- Vermont Law School, JD, summa cum laude, 2013
 - General Practice Program Certificate
 - Student Bar Association, President, 2012-2013
 - Moot Court Advisory Board, Appellate Advocacy Chair, 2012-2013
 - Federalist Society, Vermont Law Chapter, Secretary, 2011-2013
 - South Royalton Legal Clinic, Student Clinician, Fall 2012
- Schreiner University, BA, summa cum laude, 2010
 - Political Science

- Religion
- Judicial Board, Chair, Fall 2009-Spring 2010
- Moot Court, Spring 2007-Fall 2009

Clerkship

- Law Clerk for the Third Judicial District of Iowa, Sioux City

Professional & Community Affiliations

Professional Memberships

- Iowa State Bar Association
 - Family & Juvenile Law Section
- Linn County Bar Association
 - Family Law Committee
- The Federalist Society
- Judge David R. Hansen American Inn of Court
 - Past Membership Chair, Past President (Dean Mason Ladd Inn of Court)
- Iowa Association of Justice
- International Academy of Collaborative Professionals
- Collaborative Lawyers of Eastern Iowa

Community Involvement

- Alpha Sigma Alpha, Region Volunteer

Presentations

2023

- "Marriage and Family Therapy Ethics and Family Law," Marriage and Family Therapy Class, Mount Mercy University, 2017-2023

2020

- "Ethics:Client Communication Do's & Don'ts," Iowa Association for Justice Family Law Seminar
- "Marriage and Family Therapy Ethics and Family Law," Marriage and Family Therapy Class, Mount Mercy University

2019

- "Transitional Spousal Support," Iowa State Bar Association Annual Meeting
- "Transitional Alimony," Iowa Association for Justice Family Law Seminar

2018

- "Ins and Outs of Alimony," Iowa Association for Justice Family Law Seminar, panelist

2017

- "Spousal Support and Use of Guidelines in Iowa," Iowa Association for Justice Family Law Seminar
- "Ethics," Iowa Association of Marriage & Family Therapy Conference
- "Ethical Considerations of Legal Services Agreements," State Bar Association Family Law Seminar

2016

- "Spousal Support in Iowa One Year Post-Gust," Linn County Family Law Committee, with Judge Turner and Judge McPartland

2015

- "Property Division: The Basics, Plus the Latest Developments Related to Dissipation and Gifts," Iowa State Bar Association Annual Meeting, co-presentation
- "The Basics of Property Division in Iowa," Iowa Court of Appeals Judges, clerks and staff, co-presentation

Honors & Awards

- Included in the Best Lawyers in America® list, 2025
 - Family Law, Family Law Mediation
- Included in Great Plains Super Lawyers Rising Stars list, 2018-2023
 - Family Law
- Selected as one of Alpha Sigma Alpha's 30 Under 30, 2015

News & Events

2024

- Rae Kinkead Included in Best Lawyers in America® 2025, 8/15/2024

2023

- Rae Kinkead Listed in 2023 Great Plains Rising Stars, 05/30/23

2022

- Rae Kinkead Listed in 2022 Great Plains Rising Stars, 07/28/22

2020

- Rae Kinkead to Speak to IAJ Family Law Trial Lawyers Conference, 09/03/2020
- 2020 Great Plains Super Lawyers Announced, 07/31/2020