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# Hilary's Biography

Clients rely on Hilary Jenkins for her family law experience and expertise to assist them in navigating what can be a challenging and emotional process. Hilary's practice includes drafting and negotiating cohabitation agreements, marriage contracts, separation agreements, and representing parties in mediation, arbitration, family court and child protection matters.

Hilary strives to achieve positive resolutions for her clients and their families. Family law matters can be emotionally taxing for parties and their families, Hilary actively works to minimize conflict and to move matters forward in an efficient manner.

While some matters require the assistance of the court, Hilary also firmly believes in effective negotiation and alternative dispute resolution. Hilary works closely with her clients to determine the best way to proceed and to achieve the best results for their families.

Since Hilary's call to the bar in 2016, she has practiced family law in London, Ontario. While Hilary was in law school, she developed a passion for family law as the Family Law Student Supervisor at Western University's student legal clinic. As a law student, Hilary was the recipient of the Edna Yuet-Lui Memorial Award, the

#### **Practice Areas**

Family Law

Adoption

Child Custody & Access

Child Support & Spousal Support

Cohabitation Contracts

Marriage Contracts

Mediation and Arbitration

Property Division

Separation and Divorce

# **Education and Year of Call**

Bar Admission, Ontario (2016)

JD, Western Law (2015)

BA (Hons.) Huron University College at Western University (2011)



Douglas May Memorial Award, and the Genest Murray Award for Advocacy. Hilary's passion for her work and for the legal profession continues on today.

When she is not serving her clients, Hilary continues to be involved with Western University as an Adjunct Professor for the Family Law Externship at Western Law. Hilary is an executive member of the Middlesex Family Law Association and the Ontario Bar Association's Young Lawyers Division for South Western Ontario. Hilary is also an executive member of London Lawyer's Feed the Hungry and she regularly volunteers at the meal service. Most recently, Hilary has become a board member (treasurer) for the London Community Counselling Centre. In her spare time, Hilary enjoys cooking, reading, and spending time with friends and family.

### **Professional Associations**

- Member, Canadian Bar Association
- Member, Ontario Bar Association
- Member, Middlesex Law Association
- Executive Member, Middlesex Family Law Association

### Honours & Awards

- Edna Yuet-Lui Memorial Award
- Douglas May Memorial Award
- Genest Murray Award for Advocacy

# Community Involvement

- Adjunct Professor, Western Law: Professor of the family law externship course, Fall 2018 to present
- Executive Member, Middlesex Family Law Association, Fall 2018 to present
- Executive Member, London Lawyers Feed the Hungry, 2018 to present
- Chair, Ontario Bar Association's Young Lawyers Division for South Western Ontario, 2018 to 2019
- Executive Member, Ontario Bar Association's Young Lawyers
  Division for South Western Ontario, 2019 to present
- Board Member (Treasurer), London Community Counselling Centre August 2020 to present