

Practice Areas

- Family Law
- Litigation
- Trusts and Estates

Education

- J.D., Northeastern University, 1983
- B.A., Clark University, 1980

Bar Admissions

- New York (1984)
- Massachusetts (1983)
- U.S. District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York (1984)

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Judith L. Poller is a partner and Co-Chair of the Family Law Group at Pryor Cashman LLP.

Ms. Poller's practice is focused on providing counsel in a broad range of matrimonial and family law matters including divorce, child custody and access, spousal and child support, paternity, and prenuptial, postnuptial and separation agreements, including same sex partner cohabitation agreements. She has extensive trial and appellate experience in addition to settlement resolutions, mediation and collaborative law.

Prior to joining Pryor Cashman in 2009, Ms. Poller was a partner at Dreier LLP, having founded that firm's matrimonial practice. Before that, she was a partner at Bryan Cave LLP in New York. She previously served as a law clerk for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit.

Ms. Poller has been quoted as a family law expert by numerous media outlets including *U.S. News & World Report*, *W* magazine, *The Boston Globe*, *The New York Observer*, *Crain's*, *Smart Money* magazine and XM Satellite Radio. She has also written for the *American Journal of Family Law*, the *New York Law Journal* and *Estate Planning* magazine. In 2010, Ms. Poller was named to the Editorial Board of *The Matrimonial Strategist*.

She has been a lecturer for Continuing Legal Education for the New York State Bar Association-Family Law Section and has chaired several seminars for the Association of the Bar of the City of New York including *What Every Matrimonial Lawyer Should Know About Trusts, Estates and Social Security Benefits* and *Complex Child Custody Conundrums: Navigating the Labyrinth*.

Ms. Poller spoke at the American Bar Association Family Law annual meeting on *Special Planning - A Primer on the Legal and Financial Issues for Consideration when Parents with Special Needs Children are Divorcing*. In the winter of 2008, she spoke before the Family Law Section at the National CLE Conference on *Special Needs: Special Planning/Legal and Financial Issues in Divorce for the Special Needs Child*.

Ms. Poller is a fellow in the International Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, a fellow in the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, where she has been elected to the Board of Managers and serves on the inter-disciplinary committee, and a member of the Family Law Section of the Bar Association of the City of New York, where she serves on the Matrimonial Law Committee. She is active in the New York State Bar Association Family Law Committee, a member of the Committee for Public Service and Education, and was named to the *New York Super Lawyers* list in 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009.

Ms. Poller received a J.D. from Northeastern University in 1983 and a B.A. from Clark University in 1980. She is a member of the Bar of the States of New York and Massachusetts and is admitted to practice before the U.S. District Courts for the Eastern and Southern Districts of New York.

Previous Positions

- Dreier LLP, Partner
- Bryan Cave LLP (previously Robinson Silverman Pearce Aronsohn & Berman), Partner
- Cahill, Gordon & Reindel, Associate
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, Law Clerk

Publications

- Co-Author (with Alicia Fabé), *Legal and Financial Issues in a Divorce When There is a "Special Needs" Child*, American Journal of Family Law (Winter 2009)
- Author, *Asset Valuation - The Overseas Residence*, New York Law Journal (April, 2008)

Speaking Engagements

- Speaker, *Hot Financial Topics in Family Law*, Institute for Divorce Financial Analysts (IDFA), Advanced Symposium, Las Vegas, NV (February 2010)
- Speaker, *Special Needs: Special Planning/Legal and Financial Issues in Divorce for the Special Needs Child*, Family Law Section at the National CLE Conference (Winter 2008)
- Speaker, *What Every Matrimonial Lawyer Should Know About Trusts, Estates and Social Security Benefits*, Association of the Bar of the City of New York
- Speaker, *Complex Child Custody Conundrums: Navigating the Labyrinth*, Association of the Bar of the City of New York,
- Speaker, *Special Planning - A Primer on the Legal and Financial Issues for Consideration when Parents with Special Needs Children are Divorcing*, American Bar Association Family Law Annual Meeting (2007)

Professional Affiliations

- American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, Board of Managers and Fellow, New York Chapter

- Association of the Bar of the City of New York, Family Law Section, Member
- Association of the Bar of the City of New York, Matrimonial Law Committee, Member (2005-07, 2009-present)
- International Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, Member
- New York State Bar Association, Family Law Committee (Committee for Public Service and Education)
- New York State Bar Association, Trusts, Estates and Surrogate's Court Committee
- The New York Association of Collaborative Professionals

Distinctions

- Named as "Super Lawyer" in Family Law by *New York Super Lawyers – Metro Edition magazine* (2006-09 editions)

News

- Partner Judith Poller Selected For Editorial Board of ALM's The Matrimonial Strategist
- Fourteen Pryor Cashman Partners Selected As 2009 New York Super Lawyers
- Partner Judith Poller Interviewed By Private Wealth About Impact Of The Economy On Divorces Today
- Pryor Cashman Partner Judith L. Poller Reappointed to Matrimonial Law Committee of New York City Bar
- Matrimonial Attorney Judith Poller Joins Pryor Cashman LLP – Will Co-Chair Expanded Family Law Group