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Bryan J. Wilson concentrates his practice in the area of family law with extensive experience involving divorce, complex financial matters, child custody, and domestic violence. These areas are often complex and can be very emotional for the parties involved.

“I have two children, ages 3 and 1 (a girl and a boy). My parents are divorced. I have lived it. I have step brothers/sister and a half-brother. I come from a blended family and have seen the best and worst of divorce.”

Bryan’s clients appreciate his level-headed and personal approach to resolving their matter. While Bryan is an experienced litigator, his goal is to keep you and your family out of court and he uses all of his skills to resolve clients’ matters in a cost-effective manner.

Bryan’s goal is to educate and help you through this process. He feels that providing you with information to make informed and educated decisions about your options can help you make the difficult decisions that you face when going through a divorce or related issues.

EMPLOYMENT

Prior to founding Kogut & Wilson, L.L.C., Bryan worked as an attorney at two prominent family law firms in Chicago. Bryan also worked as an attorney for Andrea M. Schleifer, who is now serving as a Cook County Judge.

EDUCATION

Bryan graduated from DePaul University College of Law in 2008 and obtained his undergraduate degree from the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana.

AWARDS

In 2012 through 2016, Bryan was recognized by his peers and named a “Rising Star” attorney by Illinois Super Lawyers magazine, a designation limited to less than 2.5% of lawyers under 40 years of age in the state of Illinois.

In 2015, Bryan was recognized as an Emerging Lawyer and appears in the Emerging Lawyers Magazine, a Law Bulletin Publishing Company. Emerging Lawyers are individuals that are recognized among the top up-and-coming attorneys in Illinois who are 40 years old or younger or who have been practicing for 10 or fewer years.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Bryan is a board member of the Illinois State Bar Association’s Young Lawyers Division (2008 – current). Within the Young Lawyers Division, he serves on the Children’s Assistance Fund Grant Subcommittee, which seeks to provide grants to organizations across the state related to children and law. Bryan also assists in the organization and running of annual fundraising events related to the Children’s Assistance Fund. Bryan was previously the chair of the Illinois State Bar Association’s Law Student Committee.

Bryan is also an elected member of the Assembly of the Illinois State Bar Association. The Assembly is

the supreme policy making body of the Illinois State Bar Association.

Bryan is one of the founding members of the Associate Board of the Legal Aid Society (2010 – 2014), which operates as the legal arm of Metropolitan Family Services. Bryan previously served as the chair of the Pro-bono Committee. With the assistance of another board member, Bryan implemented a Family Law Mentoring Panel to assist pro-bono attorneys when volunteering their time. Bryan also teaches the Simple Divorce Training to pro-bono attorneys with the Legal Aid Society of Metropolitan Family Services.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Bryan was an adjunct professor at John Marshall Law School where he was co-teaching a course titled “Family Law Advocacy,” which teaches students to effectively and compassionately assist survivors of domestic violence in a divorce or paternity action.

In 2011, Bryan volunteered at the Cook County Domestic Violence Court Project to assist victims of domestic violence in obtaining orders of protection.

Bryan also is actively involved with Chicago Volunteer Legal Services where he represents children as a Child Representative on a pro bono basis.