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Custody Relocation

With advances in technology, communication and transportation, people have a greater freedom of mobility than ever before. In this fast-paced world, parents often seek to move out of the county, state or country with a minor child. As a result, relocation can become a complicated legal matter for parents who are going through a divorce or living under existing child custody arrangements. Consulting with a skilled family lawyer is critical and the family law attorneys at Williams Family Law, P.C., are here to help.

Our Value: Structured Support with Custody Relocation Issues in Bucks County

At Williams Family Law, our experienced family lawyers realize that changing times present an assortment of custody relocation issues. When difficulties arise over custody relocation, we are available to help you work through these circumstances in an efficient manner. Through decades of experience practicing family and matrimonial law, we understand the complexities and requirements regarding custody relocation and we are dedicated to helping our clients sort through these issues to develop realistic solutions.

Pennsylvania Court Requirements for Custody Relocation

Custody relocation is a hot issue in Pennsylvania. Generally, if one parent's relocation has an impact upon the other parent's ability to maintain the current custody schedule, the parent seeking relocation will need to file with the court and obtain approval to move with the child. Pennsylvania parents seeking to move with their children, sometimes even within the same county, are required to provide the non-relocating parent with a formal notice – at least 30 days in advance – of their proposed relocation. If the non-relocating parent objects to the move in a timely manner, court intervention – by way of a “relocation hearing” – will be required before the relocating parent is eligible to move with the children.

When deciding whether or not a parent is permitted to relocate with their minor child (or minor children), the Pennsylvania family courts will evaluate the following factors, among others, into consideration:

- the extent of the relationship between the children and each parent prior to the request to relocate;
- the reasons one parent is seeking to relocate and the reasons that the other parent has for opposing the move;
- the impact of the relocation on the child, especially on the child's physical, educational and emotional development;
- whether the move would improve the quality of life for the children; and
- whether it is feasible to preserve the relationship between the party opposing the relocation and the child through suitable custody arrangements.

Contact Us Regarding Your Child Relocation in Bucks County

If you have questions regarding custody relocation issues, or if you are currently experiencing difficulty with custody relocation, the experienced family law attorneys at Williams Family Law are here to help. To discuss your custody relocation matters with an experienced family lawyer, please contact our office.

News

Salzer Presents at Bucks County Bar Association Annual Bench Bar Conference
September 24, 2018

Shauna Quigley Joins Williams Family Law
August 8, 2018

Williams Family Law Attorneys Named 2018 Super Lawyers
June 4, 2018

Smith, Salzer Serve as Faculty for 2018 Family Law Institute
April 24, 2018
Smith, Salzer Present at PA Bar Family Law Section Winter Meeting
January 29, 2018
Williams Family Law Partner Co-Authors Book on Divorce
August 17, 2017
Jeffrey M. Williams Organizes AAML PA Spring Retreat

April 17, 2017 Williams Family Law Welcomes Attorney Melanie J. Wender

July 18, 2016 Divorce Attorney Jeffrey M. Williams Named Secretary American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers

July 18, 2013 Bucks County Family Law Firm Williams Family Law Ranked as U.S. News & World Report Best Lawyers 2013 'Best Law Firm'

November 2012

Newsletters

August 2016 E-Newsletter

Blog

New PA Laws Help Custodial Grandparents

January 14, 2019

How Financial Implications of Divorce Will Change in 2019

September 11, 2018

Pennsylvania Custody Statute Expands Grandparents' Rights

May 20, 2018

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Frequently Asked Questions

- My children want to live with me and not my spouse. Are they allowed to make that decision?
- Can I move to another state with my children?
- I have strong feelings about which school I want my child to attend, but my ex-spouse doesn't agree with me. Can I enroll my child in the school of my choice without my ex-spouse's consent?
- I just filed for divorce. Can I move out with my kids immediately?
- My spouse will not consent to a divorce simply to avoid paying alimony. Can the court grant me a divorce without mutual consent?