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Nancy Zalusky Berg

Nancy Zalusky Berg is a founder of Walling, Berg & Debele, P.A., a thirteen lawyer firm limiting its practice to family, juvenile and adoption law. Ms. Berg has limited her practice to family law since 1985. She is certified by the National Board of Trial Examiners as a Family Law Litigation Specialist. She is a member of the International Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers; she has been listed in the "Best Lawyers in America" and has been identified as one of Minnesota's "Super Lawyers" of *Law & Politics*, *Minnesota Monthly* and *Mpls-St. Paul* magazines since 1993. She has been listed as one of the top 100 lawyers in Minnesota for several years. Ms. Berg has also served on a variety of community non-profit boards and is an active glass and mosaic artist. *Walling Berg & Debele, P.A., 121 South 8th Street, Suite 1100, Minneapolis, MN 5540; Phone: (612)340-1150 Fax: (612)340-1154.*

BAR ADMISSIONS:

State of Minnesota, 1980
United States District, District of Minnesota, 1980
United States Court of Appeals; 8th Circuit, 1980
United State Supreme Court, 2004

SUPPLEMENTAL SKILLS:

Parenting Coordination – trained by Joan B. Kelly, Ph.D. 2006

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE:

January 1991 -
Present

WALLING, BERG & DEBELE, P.A.
A Professional Association
121 South Eighth Street
Suite 1100
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402

- Partner
- Matrimonial and Juvenile Law
- High Conflict Resolution Resources; parenting coordination

November 1987-
December 1990

MAHONEY, WALLING & KELLEY
A Professional Association
4150 Multifoods Tower
Minneapolis City Center
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402

- Officer
- Matrimonial and Juvenile Law

June 1981 -
October 1987

PRIVATE PRACTICE
620 National City Bank Building
510 Marquette Avenue
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402

May 1980 -
May 1981

MINNEAPOLIS CITY ATTORNEY OFFICE
A-1700 Government Center
Minneapolis, MN 55487

Assistant City Attorney

- Prosecute misdemeanor offenses through trial.
- Defend personal injury lawsuits and represent City interests in discrimination complaints.

**ASSOCIATED
RESPONSIBILITIES:**

Fourth Judicial District Court Arbitrator
- Appointed July, 1985

Hennepin County Family Court
- Volunteer Referee; 1984

EDUCATION:

1976 - 1980

William Mitchell College of Law
875 Summit Avenue
St. Paul, Minnesota 55104
Juris Doctorate degree, January 1980

1973 - 1976

BA - Major - Law and Justice
Antioch College
B.A. - June, 1976

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:

International Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers (www.iaml.org)

- Parliamentarian: U.S. Chapter 2006-2008
- President-Elect: U.S. Chapter 2008-2010
- Editorial Board: IAML Journal

American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers (www.aaml.org)

- Minnesota Chapter President, 1995-96
- Board of Managers, Minnesota Chapter, current
- Board of Governors, 1996-2004
- Standards for Custody Evaluations Committee, current
- Board Member, AAML Foundation, current

American, Minnesota and Hennepin County Bar Associations

- Member, Vice Chair and Chair: Fourth District Bar Association Ethics Committee, 1985 to 2003
- Hennepin County Bar Association: Family Law Section, Plebiscite Committee, Professionalism and Professional Conduct Committee, Juvenile Law Committee, Diversity Committee
- Minnesota State Bar Association: Child Abuse committee; Committee on Economic Consequences of Child Abuse

Lawyers Professional Responsibility Board

Fourth Judicial District Gender Fairness Implementation Committee

Leading American Attorneys, Minnesota Advisory Board

Minnesota Interdisciplinary Committee on Divorce

Minnesota Women Lawyers Association

Midwest Custody Project: Collaboration of Legal and Mental Health Professionals

National Board of Trial Advocacy, Board of Examiners

Volunteer, Hennepin County Settlement Program

Volunteer Lawyers Network

PRESENTATIONS:

2006 Hennepin County Bar Association, CLE: *Parenting Consultants*

June 11, 2003 Minnesota Institute of Legal Education
Professionals at Risk
Licensure Issues as a Result of Sexual Harassment, Inappropriate Sexual Behavior, Physical Abuse and Mental Injury

May 9, 2003 Minnesota Institute of Legal Education
Mental Illness
Dealing with Clients with Mental Health Issues

November, 2002 Minnesota State Bar Association, Seminar: *“Best Interests of the Child in Court: Today and Tomorrow”*

June 26, 2002 Minnesota Institute of Legal Education
Ethics & Bias
Family Law Faux Pas

May 31, 2002 Minnesota Institute of Legal Education
Law Firm Organization: Style, Size and Soul
Zealous Advocacy

April 18, 2002 All District Legal Education CLE Proactive Family Law
Ethics of Zealous Advocacy for Your Divorce Client

February 27, 2002 Hennepin County Bar Association, CLE: Parenting Plans for Infants and Young Children: *The State of the Law with Regard to Parenting Schedules for Very Young Children”*

December 12, 2001 17th Annual Family Law Seminar Co-Chair
Professionalism and Ethics In Family Law: *Is There A Conflict Between The Code of Professional Responsibility And “Collaborative” Practice?*

November 29, 2001 All District Legal Education CLE
Ethics and Eliminating Bias: Practical Realities

May 17, 2001 Hennepin County Bar Association
Ethics and Elimination of Bias – Ethics In and Out of the Courtroom

February 27, 2001 Minnesota Institute of Legal Education
Divorce, Parenting & Maintenance – Income Determinations

May 12, 2000	Minnesota Association of Trial Lawyers Ethics and Elimination of Bias – <i>Investigations at the District Ethics Committee: Recurring Issues in a Litigation Practice</i>
November 30, 1999	Minnesota State Bar Association CLE <i>At Odds with your Client – Termination of Representation</i>
June 12, 1999	American Association of Matrimonial Lawyers Institute for Training New Lawyers, Ft. Worth, Texas
June 8, 1999	Law & Politics CLE <i>Emerging Discovery Issues in Family Law Practice</i>
December 3, 1998	Minnesota Institute of Legal Education <i>ADR and Family Law - Replacing Litigation with Communication</i>
June 26, 1998	Minnesota State Bar Association, General Practice Solo and Small Firm Section CLE <i>Dealing With Difficult Clients, Lawyers and Judges</i>
May 13, 1998	All District Legal Education CLE <i>Marketing for Lawyers: Trends, Tips and Techniques</i>
February 14, 1998	Minnesota State Bar Association, Family Law Section CLE <i>Representation of Difficult Clients</i>
December 18, 1997	Minnesota Institute Legal Education <i>Visitation Access By Any Other Name</i>
June, 1997	American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers Institute for Training New Lawyers, Loyola University of Chicago School of Law, Chicago, Illinois
April 25, 1997	State Bar of South Dakota Domestic Relations CLE
October, 1996	Minnesota Women Lawyers: Life/work balance
October, 1996	American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers Minnesota Chapter “Divorce Camp VII - Removal: The Ties that Bind”
January, 1996	Law Education Institute and BNA, Inc.: <i>Post-Decree Custody Modification: Moving Out of State and Changes to the Parenting Relationship</i> (co-authored with Gary A. Debele)

December, 1995	Spousal Maintenance: <i>The Cutting Edge of Gender Warfare</i>
October, 1995	Minnesota Women Lawyers: Women Lawyers as Leaders: Conscience and Courage
June, 1995	Minnesota State Bar Association Convention: Alternative Dispute Resolution
June, 1995	National Practice Institute: <i>Objections at Trial and How to Deal With the Difficult Lawyer</i>
April, 1995	16th Annual Family Law Institute: Effective Marital Dissolution Practice
October, 1994	American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers - Minnesota Chapter: "Divorce Trek V - The Next Generation"
August, 1994	Minnesota State Bar Association, CLE: Child Custody & Placement
June, 1994	Minnesota Lawyers Mutual: Avoiding the Dragon: Protecting Your Clients & Yourself; <i>Recognizing Client Repair Possibilities In Family Law Cases</i>
June, 1994	Minnesota Institute of Legal Education: Landmines for Small Law Firms
May, 1994	Strategies & Techniques for Women Negotiators
May, 1994	Minnesota Institute of Legal Education: Its Not Just Divorce Anymore; Paternity
December, 1993	Minnesota Institute of Legal Education: Professionals At Risk
October, 1993	American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers - Minnesota Chapter: "What's Love Got to Do With It"
October, 1993	Minnesota Lawyers Mutual - <i>Malpractice Issues in Family Law.</i>
March, 1993	Midwest Custody Project: <i>Custody Evaluations and the Courtroom</i> ; presentation to Minnesota Psychological Association and the Minnesota State Bar Association.
1992	Child Custody and Visitation in Minnesota, National Business Institute, Inc.
November, 1992	Piercing The Public Shield; Ethical Complaints about Governmental Lawyers

April, 1992	Twelfth Annual Family Law Institute: <i>Dealing with Multi-Jurisdictional Custody Disputes</i>
December, 1991	Minnesota Institute of Legal Education: Family Law: Spousal Maintenance
October, 1991	American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers - Minnesota Chapter: <i>The Hidden Dynamics of Marriage Dissolution</i>
October, 1991	Minnesota Institute of Legal Education: <i>A Custody and Visitation Paradigm</i>
September, 1991	Minnesota Institute of Legal Education: <i>How to Try the Spousal Maintenance Case</i>
May, 1991	Advanced Legal Education: <i>When Professionals Divorce</i>
1991	National Business Institute: <i>Child Custody and Visitation in Minnesota</i>
March, 1989	Tenth Annual Family Law Institute: <i>How to Respond to Allegations of Sex Abuse</i>
February, 1989	American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers Caribbean Conference: <i>Difficult Child Custody Cases</i>
July, 1988	Minnesota Institute of Legal Education: <i>Sexual Abuse of Children</i>
March, 1987	Minneapolis Public Library: <i>Bicentennial Constitution and the Family</i>

PUBLICATIONS:

August 2006	“The Smart Divorce” by Deborah Moskovich, <u>Chicago Review Press, Incorporated</u> (2006) – extensively quoted
June 2006	“Management of a High Conflict Custody Matter” published for the Minnesota Child Support and Child Custody Deskbook.
June 2001	“Dealing with Difficult Clients, Difficult Lawyers and Difficult Judges” published for the Rhode Island Bar Association Annual Meeting.
August 1998	Family Law Forum, Volume 10, Number 2 “Visitation Issues When There is

a Move Out of State” (co-authored with Brockman Schumacher, Jr.)

- 1998 “Dealing With Difficult Clients, Difficult Lawyers and Difficult Judges”
published at aaml.org, the American Academy of Matrimonial
Lawyers web site.
- January 1996 American Journal of Family Law, Volume 4, Number 4 “Postdecree Custody
Modification: Moving Out of State and Changes to the Parenting
Relationship” (co-authored with Gary A. Debele)
- 1992 Child Custody and Visitation in Minnesota, National Business Institute, Inc.

ASSOCIATIONS:

- 1982 - Present **CHRYSLIS:**
- Women's Center Legal Advice Clinics
- 1983 - 1986 **RESPONSES TO END ABUSE OF CHILDREN, INC.**
- Vice President, Board of Directors
- 1982 - 1985 **MINNESOTA INSTITUTE OF BLACK CHEMICAL ABUSE**
- Member Board of Directors
- 1983 Hennepin County Medical Society
- Child Abuse Project
- 1988 - Present **INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR INTERRACIAL
INTERACTION/INTERRACE**
- Board of Directors
- 1988 - 1992 State of Minnesota, Department of Human Services
- "Reasonable Efforts" Committee - Legislative Mandate to examine
unnecessary placement of children
- 1990 Minneapolis Downtown Council - Pornography and Art: A Symposium
- 1992 - 2000 **WOMEN VENTURE**
- Board of Directors
- Secretary; Board of Directors
- 1993 - Present **TURNING POINT, INC.**
- Board of Directors
- Vice Chairperson; March 1994-December 1994

HONORS & NOTABLE MENTION:

2006	Named in <i>The Best Lawyers in America</i> , Steven Naifeh
October 1998	Judge for the National Association of Legal Secretaries 1998 Award of Excellence Program – Education Conference and National Forum in Minneapolis
1997	Recipient of Distinguished Service Award from the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers
1996	Recipient of Distinguished Alumna/us award for 1996 from William Mitchell College of Law
1993-Present	Named in <i>The Best Lawyers in America</i> , Naifeh and Smith.
1994-Present	Featured in <i>Law and Leading Attorneys</i> , a Minnesota Consumer Guidebook
1999	Named in <i>Minnesota Law and Politics</i> , one of “Top 100 Lawyers”
1999-Present	Named in <i>Minnesota Law and Politics</i> , one of the “Super Lawyers”

References Available Upon Request.