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## NEWS FROM YOUR TEXAS DIVORCE ATTORNEYS

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*We are pleased to announce  
KELLY MCCLURE,  
ROBERT EPSTEIN, and FRANCESCA BLACKARD  
have been honored by D Magazine as **Leaders in Law***



**Kelly McClure** has been named one of Dallas' Leaders in Law by D Magazine. Dynamic, tenacious, and energetic, McClure is known for her "bulldog" approach in courtrooms across Texas and her savvy negotiation talents. Founder, CEO and Managing Partner of McClure Law Group, McClure has been Board Certified in Family Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization since 1995. McClure has built an outstanding reputation and receives numerous awards and accolades including Super Lawyers' Top 50 Female Attorneys and Top 100 Attorneys in Texas.



**Robert Epstein** has been named one of Dallas' Leaders in Law by D Magazine. Epstein excels in the courtroom and is also an effective advocate in the Collaborative Law process and other settlement negotiation. Epstein is Board Certified in Family Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization and was selected one of Dallas Best Lawyer under 40 for 2018. He serves as a valuable mentor to the attorneys and legal professionals at the law firm.



**Francesca Blackard** has been named one of Dallas' Leaders in Law by D Magazine. Blackard's exceptional dedication to clients, and success at trial and in collaborative cases, has resulted in numerous awards. She was selected as one of Dallas Best Lawyers Under 40 for 2018, and D CEO named her to the Women Law Leaders lists in 2018, 2017 and 2016. Blackard has been featured regularly in Modern Luxury magazine's list of Dynamic Women of Texas.

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***DCEO Magazine honors the McClure Women as  
Women Leaders in Law 2018***



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## *McClure Law Group Welcomes New Attorneys*

The team of attorneys and legal professionals at McClure Law Group is growing to meet the needs of spouses, parents and families facing divorce or other family law-related issues. Our attorneys bring a wealth of experience in courtrooms and mediation boardrooms as well as unique backgrounds in business and advocacy. To read more about McClure Law Group's newest additions, click on the links provided below with each attorney.



### **Peter Hogan**

An Attorney at McClure Law Group, Peter interned with the IRS in Washington, D.C. where he specialized in transfer pricing and international tax issues. After graduating from law school, Peter worked for Grant Thornton LLP in Dallas where he further honed his business acumen. He enjoys interacting with clients and helping those in need, which led him straight to McClure Law Group. [Read more...](#)



### **Brent Buyse**

Brent is a graduate of DePaul University College of Law in Chicago, Illinois. During his time in law school, Brent developed his advocacy skills through international moot court competitions. Brent was awarded Best Oral Argument in the 2016 Leiden-Sarin International Air Law Moot Court Competition held in Jakarta, Indonesia. While at DePaul, Brent was appointed the Chief Justice of the Student Bar Association. Brent also completed an LLM in International & European Business Law at the prestigious

Universidad Pontificia Comillas in Madrid, Spain. As part of his LLM, Brent wrote his thesis on securitization and non-bank financial lending which gives him a robust understanding of various financial asset structures that comprise the marital estates of his clients. After completing his LLM, Brent went on to work in Mergers & Acquisitions in the Madrid office of Baker McKenzie where he gained valuable and useful experience on large scale transactions.

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### Philip Woram

Born to a corporate general counsel and a family law litigator, Philip grew up in Dallas, Texas, where he attended St. Mark's School of Texas before matriculating to Dartmouth College. He attended law school at Southern Methodist University with a Dean's Scholarship. While at SMU Law, Philip clerked for the Dallas DA's office and also gained experience working at a civil rights firm where he drafted a reply brief that was argued in the 8th Circuit United States Court of Appeals and at a prestigious commercial litigation firm in Los Angeles. Philip was a member of the SMU International Law Review which published his case note on international forum litigation in the extractive industry in its journal, *The International Lawyer*, the second most subscribed to journal in the world behind the Harvard Law Review.

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## *Robert Epstein & Francesca Blackard selected as 2018 Best Lawyers Under 40 by D Magazine*



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## *McClure Law Group's CEO and Managing Partner, **KELLY McCLURE** was recognized as one of the DALLAS 500 Most Powerful Business Leaders of 2018!*



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## *Texas Divorce Attorney Blog: Recent Posts*



### [New Year, New Tax Code](#)

by Kelly McClure

Many of the changes brought by the new tax reform bill began on New Year's Day. The amended provisions of the tax code affect everyone from alcohol distillers to non-profit organizations. Not surprisingly, couples considering divorce are no exception, so here is what you need to know.



### [Giving Children a Voice in Custody Disputes](#)

by Kate Mataya

Can my children decide where they want to live in a divorce? The many ways for a court to consider children's input about where they want to live.



### [Booze Pills & Powders](#)

by Kelly McClure & Robert Epstein

The impact drugs and alcohol can have on a family law case.



### [Partitioning Bonuses in Texas](#)

by Francesca Blackard

How courts consider bonuses as compensation in dissolving marriages.



### [Things You Should Consider Doing Before Filing for Divorce](#)

by Robert Epstein

The necessary steps to try to lessen the stress and reduce the unpredictability of the divorce process.

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*Happy New Year!*

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