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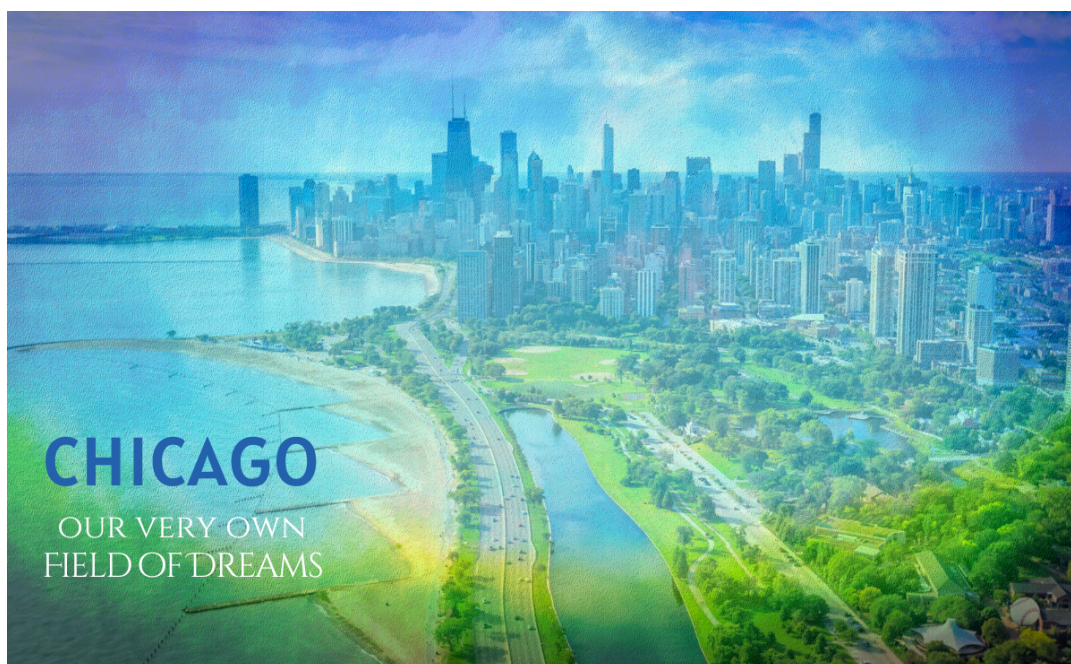
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Cary J. Mogerman
AAML President

The AAML Annual Meeting is only a month away, and I look forward to seeing you there!

If you have not yet registered, this would be a great time to do so. There is a [link](#) on the website, and in this newsletter, below

There are many highlights to anticipate, including timely and engaging CLE from our Chairs [Anne Marie Jackson](#) and [Lisa Spencer](#).

November's offerings cover business valuation issues in the Covid era, trial skills relating to the use of expert witnesses, cultural issues and bias in the courtroom, privacy and confidentiality issues, agreements in the courts, the impact of parental disputes on children, and a presentation by the AAML Communications Study Initiative, a project of the Academy led by [David Griffin](#). An optional practice-intensive workshop and lunch take place on Wednesday afternoon, presented by our 21st Century Law Practice Committee led by [Steve Mindel](#) and [Richard West](#).

Major General [Johanna Clyborne](#), a Fellow of the Minnesota Chapter, will assist us in recognizing our Fellows who are Veterans on Friday morning. My wife Dee will lead a tour of the Chicago Cultural Center for our guest event, followed by lunch in the famous Walnut Room at Macy's. We'll do a lot of the Academy's business that week in the Chapter Leaders, Hennenhoefer Council, and Board of Governors meetings, along with various committee meetings.

In addition to CLE and Academy business, there will be many opportunities to visit with old and new friends. For instance, the New Fellow Orientation and Lunch, produced by [Amanda Trigg](#) and her committee, takes place on...

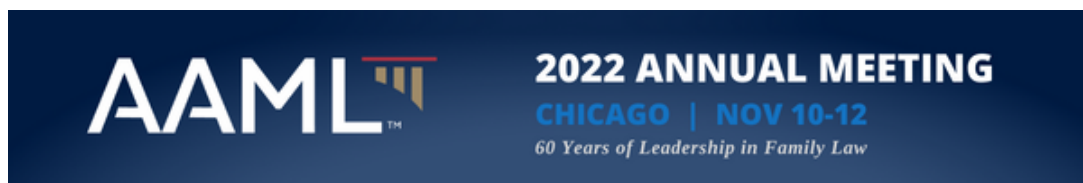
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2022 AAML Annual Meeting

Nov 10-12, 2022

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Chicago, IL

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If you've registered for the Annual Presidential Dinner Dance at the 2022 Annual Meeting, be sure to watch your emails for more details around that evenings attire and theme.

Baseball Attire Encouraged

Think "Take Me Out to the Ball Park"! Come dressed in some baseball attire (e.g., player, umpire, mascot). Or even as your favorite baseball-themed movie character. Some ideas would be, of course, *Field of Dreams* characters, but what about cast

members from *Bull Durham*, *A League of Their Own*, *The Natural* or *Major League*, to name a few. Baseball attire of any kind is encouraged!

Call for Baseball Photos!

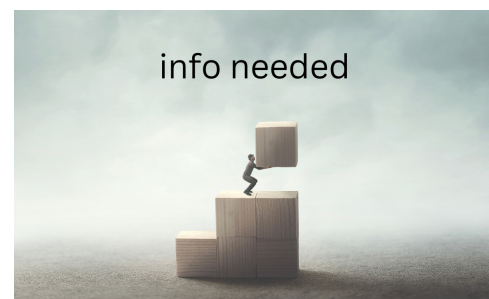
We want photos of you and your family members attending baseball games, playing baseball games, and watching your kids' games. We are looking for any photos of you and your family involved with baseball, whether it's major league, college, little league, or even tee ball. Those memories last a lifetime and won't it be great to see all of your photos enjoying America's favorite pastime on the big screen the night of the Dinner Dance?

Please send in your photos to: office@aaml.org no later than October 17th.



Tech Tips

Brought to you by the *Practice & Technology* Committee's Fellow, [Scott Bassett](#). Scott provides useful



Note to the Education Pod of the Hennenhoefer Council

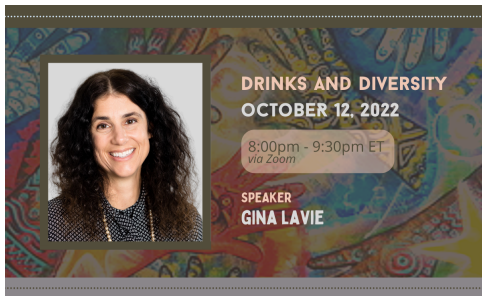
In the past 12 months if you have coordinated a program / CLE on behalf of the Academy or Jointly coordinated a

tips on protecting your internet connection and ensuring a fast browsing speed in this downloadable pdf. "Odds are your Internet Service Provider (ISP) has its own DNS servers you use by default when connecting to the internet. The downside is that because your connection goes through your ISP's DNS servers, your ISP can track which sites you visit and gather data about your browsing habits..." [Click to Read More](#)

program / CLE with another organization, please make sure to share a summary of your program with the Academy.

Please provide Program description, materials and presenters to [Kiilu Davis](#) so that they can be included in our CLE compendium.

This CLE compendium will only be used in-house so that we can keep accurate account of programs offered by the Academy.



via Zoom - AAML Fellows Only

Log in is Required

Drinks and Diversity

Creating an Impactful DEI Program at Your Law Firm

October 12, 2022

8:00 pm - 9:30 pm ET

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Goranson Bain Ausley's Human Resource Manager and DEI Co-Chair, Gina Lavie will speak about building an impactful DEI program at a law firm through design and initiative. Join us for an insightful conversation on how to make your DEI program intentional and individualized.



Webinar - 1.0 Hour CLE

Part 4 of the 5-Part Military Family Law Series

Military Disability Retirement & Family Law

Friday, October 14, 2022

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm ET

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Part Four: When a servicemember is found to be unfit for service, he or she is “mustered out” with an involuntary discharge and, in some cases, retired pay from the service. Is this retired pay divisible? What are the ways that can be used to calculate disability retired pay? Can it be garnished for family support? If so, what are the procedures to obtain a withholding order? Speaker and AAML Fellow [Mark Sullivan](#), will answer these questions and much more during this presentation.

**AAML NATIONAL
EVENTS/MEETINGS**

AAML CHAPTER EVENTS/MEETINGS

[AAML-MD Fall Symposium](#)

[Drinks and Diversity](#)[October 10, 2022](#)[October 12, 2022](#)[8pm - 9:30pm ET](#)[AAML-PA Symposium](#)[October 13, 2022](#)[Military Disability Retirement and Family Law](#)[Webinar-October 14, 2022](#)[1:00pm - 2:00pm ET](#)[AAML-MA Advanced Family Law Practice](#)[October 14-15, 2022](#)[2022 AAML Annual Meeting](#)[November 10-12, 2022](#)[Chicago, IL](#)[AAML-NY Chapter Retreat](#)[October 14-16, 2022](#)[Domestic Violence and the Military](#)[Webinar - December 9, 2022](#)[1:00pm - 2:00pm ET](#)[AAML-NJ Advanced Constructive Cross-Examinations](#)[October 15, 2022](#)[AAML-VA Chapter Fall Meeting](#)[October 28-30, 2022](#)[AAML National Executive Committee Meeting](#)[January 27-28, 2023](#)[Kissimmee, FL](#)[AAML-NJ Seminar Series](#)[November 3, 2022](#)[2023 Midyear Meeting](#)[March 13-17, 2023](#)[Nassau, Bahamas](#)[AAML-NJ Board of Managers Meeting/Party](#)[December 8, 2022](#)[Click to View More](#)[Click to View More](#)

THE AAML IS PLEASED TO WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW FELLOWS

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Washington, DC

[Kyle J. Quinn](#)

Grand Rapids, MI

**Research Tips for Fellows from
your AAML Journal**
*reposted from the March 2022 AAML
Newsletter*

On a quick note, AAML Journal articles are publicly available in pdf on the AAML website: [Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers \(aaml.org\)](https://portal.aaml.org) with the link for Journal of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers - AAML.



**The Ten-Year Rule and Garnishment
of Retired Pay, P. II**

by [Mark E. Sullivan](#)

Author of the *The Military Divorce
Handbook*

[Click Here for Part I](#)

Most former spouses want a garnishment order to obtain monthly pension-share payments from the U.S. government. They do not want to chase around the military retiree from Georgia to Japan to Germany to try to collect the monthly payments from military retired pay that is disbursed to him or her. "Direct from the source" is what the typical former spouse is likely to request.

The Internet has made social science research and legal literature much more accessible. Of course, while there is an overwhelming amount of information, not all of it is reliable or trustworthy (and some of it false and harmful to clients). Any search engine that you choose on the web will present the challenge of evaluating the credibility of the information source you discover

With that in mind, we thought we would start this first column with an introduction to one of our favorite resources and one that combines legal and

social science scholarship: Google Scholar: Google Scholar. You can find search tips at Google Scholar Search Tips and YouTube videos like Using Google Scholar - Bing video and Case Law Research with Google Scholar - YouTube. Even if you regularly use legal search engines (e.g. Westlaw, Lexis/Nexis, Fastcase), you may find that GS can save you time and much energy

The key is to understand how to use word searches to retrieve information from...

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What dates and deadlines are involved when the FS wants to obtain an order that gives her direct payments from the retired pay center? When the military pension is divided as marital or community property, there must be at least 10 years of marriage overlapping 10 years of service creditable toward retirement to obtain payments from the retired pay center. This is sometimes known as the "10/10 rule.

Note that the *10/10 rule* is not a jurisdictional requirement for dividing military pensions. There is no limitation on the number of years of marriage overlapping military service as a prerequisite to military pension division, although this is a widely held misconception in the civilian bar. A military pension may be divided by court order whether the

spouse has been married to the SM for 30 years or 30 days. Rather, this time requirement is a prerequisite to enforcement through the retired pay center. The payment mechanism of a garnishment of the SM's retired pay is not available unless this test is met.

There are different rules for a member of the Reserve Component, or RC, which means National Guard and Reserves. When there are 10 years of combined Guard/Reserve and active service, the retired pay center will aggregate these to allow the 10/10 rule to be met in cases of an RC retirement, but not a retirement from active duty.

Note that being in the Guard or Reserves for ten years is not necessarily the same thing as "*having ten good years*" which are credentials toward retirement.

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Annual Meeting 2022

As fall quickly approaches, we are reminded that the Annual Meeting in Chicago is just around the corner. Filled with divorce attorneys, the return of the clipboard brigade, and lots of libations, the 2022 AAML Annual Meeting promises to be as enjoyable as always

Consistent with tradition, the Foundation Reception will be filled with laughter and friends,

however, this year it will be at the Annual Meeting on Thursday, November 10, from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. The event will take place at the Cathedral Hall of the University Club, 76 East Monroe. Courtesy trolleys will run between the Loews Hotel and the University Club from 5:00pm to 6:00pm, and again at the end of the evening from 7:15pm to 8:15pm. Join us for a wonderful night of cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, but don't forget to sign up for the reception when you register for the Annual Meeting!

Additionally, for those of you who cannot wait to celebrate, "Express entry" will be given to Fellows who make their annual billable hour donation prior to the reception.

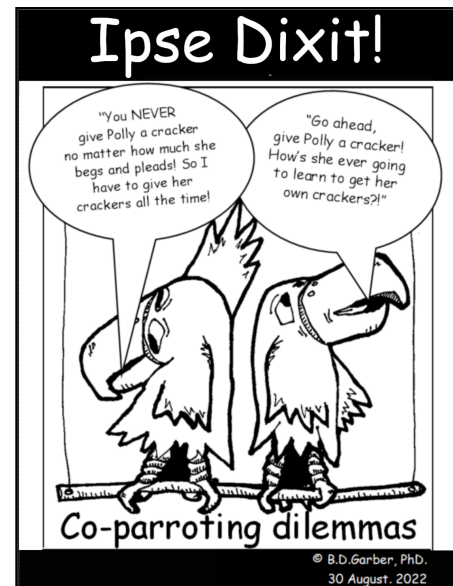
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Prior to the Foundation Reception, we will be hosting the Legacy Donors Reception at Cathedral Hall at the University Club, 76 E Monroe from 4:45pm to 5:15pm. Legacy Donors will be honored at a private reception (Invitation only).

Our Foundation Reception would not have been possible without the support of our sponsors, who generously donated to make this event possible.

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Top: The Conversation by Allyson Hughes

Bottom: Krista Rae by Allyson Hughes

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All Fellows, Chapters & Committees
are encouraged to submit
helpful videos, photos,
announcements, news and/or articles
that would be considered to be
supportive or informative.

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FINAL DEADLINE FOR ALL MATERIALS:

**2 WEEKS PRIOR
TO THE 1ST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH**

Send all submissions for consideration
to:

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