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Erica A. Swensson concentrates her practice on complex issues of family law, including:

- inter-state jurisdictional disputes, under the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Enforcement Act (“UCCJEA”) and Uniform Interstate Family Support Act (“UIFSA”)
- international jurisdictional disputes under the Hague Convention
- move-away cases
- division of intricate and complicated financial estates
- stock allocation and division
- convoluted family trust protection
- novel custody cases implicating constitutional rights
- privacy and protective orders
- contentious child custody
- spousal support in cases with income from multiple, complex sources
- attorneys' fees
- business valuation

Erica has experience in numerous aspect of litigation, including discovery, law and motion practice, client counseling, case strategy, and trial preparation.

During law school, Erica competed as a mock trial board member and volunteered with the Constitutional Rights and the Laguna Wilderness Foundations. Erica earned a certificate in Advocacy and Client Counseling for her trial competition and through additional course work.

Outside The Firm

Presently, Erica serves as an on-air legal consultant for *Sunrise Australia*. Erica is a competitive off-shore sailor, and an oars-woman with the Los Angeles Rowing Club. Erica recently published an article about the Newport to Ensenada International Yacht Race in *Pelican Hill Magazine*. National Public Radio station KCRW recently aired an audio-piece featuring Erica about rowing for the “Sounds L.A.” audio project.

Select Engagements

- Successfully obtained a turn over of custody of a child from mother to father when mother had been withholding the child.
- Extensively litigated jurisdiction in a multi-state case involving a minor child. Successfully dismissed the California case and had it moved to the appropriate jurisdiction.
- Negotiated settlement in a number of dissolution cases involving estates valued at several million dollars.

Admissions

- California

Memberships

- Beverly Hills Bar Association
- Orange County Bar Association

Education

- University of California at Berkeley, BA
- Chapman University School of Law, JD

Recognitions

- 2019, Los Angeles “Rising Star” in Family Law, listed in *Super Lawyers*

Professional Activities

- Member of the Beverly Hills Bar Association
- Former member of the Orange County and Los Angeles Bar Associations