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With nearly 40 years of experience in family law, Deanna DiPetta is a leading voice in complex domestic relations matters throughout Ohio. Known for her strategic insight and passionate advocacy, she guides clients through some of life's most personal and challenging transitions with clarity, resilience, and results.

Deanna combines legal precision with emotional intelligence to help clients resolve a broad array of family law matters. Her focus includes:

- **Divorce & Dissolution** – High-asset division, business valuations, mineral rights
- **Custody & Visitation** – Complex parenting plans, psychological expert testimony, relocation disputes
- **Support Agreements** – Creative and customized spousal/child support arrangements
- **Adoption** – Guidance through every legal step of building a family
- **Post-Decree Issues** – Enforcement, non-disclosure litigation, hidden assets
- **Prenuptial Agreements** – Drafting, analysis, and enforceability evaluations
- **Domestic Violence** – Protection orders and litigation support

Practice Areas

Divorce & Family Law
Mediation

Education

J.D., Cleveland-Marshall
College of Law, Cleveland
State University

Credentials

Admitted to Practice U.S.
District Court, Northern
District of Ohio, U.S. Court
of Appeals, Sixth District,
and all Ohio state courts

Member, Cleveland
Metropolitan Bar
Association

Client	Focus
Giuliano v. Giuliano	Complex pension division, full trial
Bell v. Bell	Custody litigation involving a disabled child
Berger v. Berger	Divorce involving multifaceted family business

Presentations and Thought Leadership:

- Estate Planning Institute Lecturer – Topics on divorce and asset protection
- Media Contributor – Frequent TV appearances on family law issues

Professional and Civic Engagement:

- Member, LawPact®
- Certified Mediator, Center for Principled Family Advocacy
- Member, Judge4Yourself
- Member, Ohio Supreme Court's Lawyer to Lawyer Mentoring Program
- Member, Violence Against Women Act Committee
- Member, Women's Council, Cleveland Museum of Art
- Volunteer, Legal Aid Society Clinics
- Volunteer, Leukemia and Lymphoma Society & Hospice of the Western Reserve
- Former Board and Grievance Committee Member, Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association
- Former Rules Committee Member, Cuyahoga County Domestic Relations Court
- Former Professor of Domestic Relations Law, Notre Dame College

Recognition and Honors:

- Ohio Super Lawyers®, 2017–2024
- Best Lawyers in America®, U.S. News & World Report

Education and Credentials:

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- Member, Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association
- J.D., Cleveland-Marshall College of Law, Cleveland State University

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