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Stephanie F. Lehman is a principal in the firm's Family Law Practice Group. For over 25 years, Stephanie's practice has focused on representing clients in New York and New Jersey in all areas of matrimonial, family and fertility law. In addition to handling litigation matters through trial and appeals in both states, she is trained in the collaborative process and mediation.

Stephanie commonly negotiates prenuptial, postnuptial, settlement and separation agreements. She advises clients on pension and retirement plans, stock options and grants, trusts, limited partnerships, closely held corporations, the valuation of businesses, professional licenses, enhanced earning capacity and celebrity status.

In addition to representing high-net-worth individuals in contested and uncontested matrimonial actions and child-related matters (including custody, parenting time, relocation and paternity and domestic violence), Stephanie is on the cutting edge of fast-evolving fertility law. She represents cases involving egg donation, intended parenthood, surrogacy, frozen embryos and private and third-party adoption. Given Stephanie's dual license and practice in both New York and New Jersey, she is frequently retained to represent clients with issues under the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Enforcement Act and Uniform and the Federal Uniform Interstate Family Support.

Additionally, Stephanie has appeared in The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, New York Magazine and the New York Law Journal and on podcasts commenting on family law. She is a published thought leader in family law, authoring several articles for Matrimonial Strategist, the New York Law Journal, New York Family Law Monthly and New Jersey Family Lawyer (a publication sponsored by the New Jersey State Bar Association). She has also penned materials for the "Basic Matrimonial Law Series" sponsored by the New York State Bar and has lectured before the New York State Bar.

Services

- Family Law
- International
- Sports, Entertainment and Media
- Alternative Dispute Resolution

Education

- Brooklyn Law School (J.D.)
- Brandeis University (B.A., *cum laude*)

State Bar Admissions

- New Jersey
- New York

Professional Affiliations

- New York State Bar Association, member
- New Jersey State Bar Association, member
- Collaborative Divorce Association for North Jersey, member

Recognitions

- Selected to New York Metro Super Lawyers® for Family Law (2026)
- Best NJ Lawyers for Families-Family Law, New Jersey Family Magazine (2026)
- Bergen Magazine 2025 Top Lawyers
- Crain's New York Business: Notable Women in Law (2023)
- Lawyers of Distinction (2018)
- Bergen's Top Lawyers
- 201 Magazine's Top Lawyers

Publications & News

May 15, 2026

Offit Kurman Attorneys Recognized in 2026 New York Metro Super Lawyers® and Rising Stars Lists

April 2, 2026

Four Offit Kurman Attorneys Recognized in New Jersey Family Magazine's "Best NJ Lawyers for Families" List

October 30, 2025

Offit Kurman Attorneys Named to Bergen Magazine's 2025 Top Lawyers List

December 11, 2023

Stephanie Lehman Featured on Beyond the Bar Podcast

September 27, 2023

Stephanie Lehman Published in New Jersey Family on Divorce Process with ADHD Children

September 13, 2023

Offit Kurman Welcomes Five Attorneys in New Jersey and Maryland

Blog Posts

April 21, 2026

When “I Do” Turns Into “You Owe”

Marriage is a partnership — but under the Internal Revenue Code, it is also a financial alliance with serious consequences. Only spouses can file a joint tax return under I.R.C. § 6013(a). And when they do, they are jointly...

March 20, 2026

The Most Common Lies Spouses Tell Their Divorce Lawyer

People rarely walk into a divorce lawyer's office intending to lie. What they usually bring instead is fear—fear of judgment, fear of consequences, fear that telling the full truth will somehow make everything worse. So they edit. They minimize....

February 10, 2026

Flirting with Divorce: Social Media's Silent Role in Broken Vows

Valentine's Day is marketed as a celebration of love—roses, cards, public tributes, and carefully curated posts declaring devotion. Yet before posting a perfectly worded caption, sending a private message, or striking up a new connection online, whether accidentally or...

January 13, 2026

Penalty Clauses in Prenuptial Agreements: Lessons from the Reported “Cocaine Clause”

Prenuptial agreements have long evolved beyond simple asset division roadmaps. Modern prenups address conduct during marriage, incorporating so-called “penalty” or “incentive” provisions that attach financial consequences to specific behaviors. While these clauses can be powerful planning tools, they also...

July 1, 2025

Privacy, Public Image, and Legal Strategy in Celebrity Divorces

When celebrity couples divorce, the public follows the drama with the same intensity as a red-carpet premiere. Yet behind the headlines are important lessons about the delicate balance between privacy, public image, and sound legal strategy—especially when clients live...

December 17, 2024

Hanukkah and Parenting Time: Balancing Tradition and Family Dynamics

Hanukkah, also known as the Festival of Lights, celebrates the miracle of the oil that lasted for eight days in the Holy Temple in Jerusalem. During Hanukkah, many families gather to light the menorah, exchange gifts and enjoy latkes...

November 13, 2024

Inheritance Rights of Domestic Partners: A Comparison Between New York and New Jersey Laws

Domestic partnerships are legal arrangements between two individuals that grant some of the same rights and benefits as marriage. While domestic partnerships are recognized in many states, inheritance rights can differ greatly depending on the jurisdiction. This article explores...

October 29, 2024

Jewish Private School Education During Divorce: Financial, Custody, and Parenting Challenges

Navigating a Jewish private school education during and after a divorce presents unique challenges for both parents and their children. High tuition costs, combined with differing priorities post-separation, can add stress to an already difficult situation. In addition,

factors...

October 2, 2024

Navigating Family Law Matters During Rosh Hashanah: Insights from a Family Law Attorney

As Rosh Hashanah approaches, Jewish families prepare to usher in a new year filled with hope, reflection, and renewal. This sacred holiday is an opportunity to consider how we can strengthen our relationships and align our actions with our...

April 22, 2024

Navigating Passover Travel Challenges in Divorced Families

Passover, a joyous celebration of freedom and renewal, often inspires many Jews to embark on journeys to extravagant Passover programs spanning from Miami to Israel. However, for divorced individuals, these once familiar programs of familiarity and comfort during marriage...

April 3, 2024

Unleashing Your Inner Barbie: Embracing Independence after Divorce

While some may view the Barbie Movie as nothing more than a whimsical, kitschy movie based on the famous Mattel doll. However, when viewed through the lens of Ms. Greta Gerwig, the film's director, the film illuminates Barbie's journey...

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Publications

- Author, "5 Ways to Make the Divorce Process Easier On Your Child With ADHD," NJ Family, September 20, 2023