

ELIZABETH J. SCHEFFEE, ESQ.

CURRICULUM VITAE

Education:

University of Virginia -- 1980
Bachelor of Arts with Distinction

University of Virginia -- 1984
Juris Doctor

Occupational Experience:

SCHEFFEE LAW, LLC – July, 2018 – present
7 Estate Drive, Gorham, Maine
All aspects of domestic relations, divorce and post-divorce litigation, mediation, reference, limited scope representation, simple estate planning

SHAHEEN & GORDON, P.A. – January, 2016 – July, 2018
199 Main Street, Saco, Maine
All aspects of domestic relations, from premarital agreements to divorce and post-divorce litigation, mediation, reference, limited scope representation, expert review and testimony

GIVERTZ, SCHEFFEE, & LAVOIE, P.A. -- 1989-2016
215 Commercial Street, Portland, Maine
All aspects of domestic relations, pre-marital agreements, international cases, divorce/post-divorce litigation, expert review and testimony, mediation and reference

LAW OFFICE OF ELIZABETH J. SCHEFFEE -- 1988-1989
66 Drew Road, South Portland, Maine
Domestic relations, primarily divorce/post-divorce litigation

STINSON, LUPTON & WEISS -- 1985-1989
280 Front Street, Bath, Maine
General litigation, family law, misdemeanor criminal practice

ZELDES, NEEDLE & COOPER -- 1984-1985
Bridgeport, Connecticut
General litigation, personal injury, family law, felony criminal practice

Bars Admitted:

State of Connecticut, 1984
Federal District Court, District of Connecticut, 1985
State of Maine, 1986
Federal District Court, District of Maine, 1986
United States Supreme Court, 1996

Associations:

Delegate, Maine Bar Association representative to ABA, 2015 to present
President, Maine State Bar Foundation, 2007
President, Maine State Bar Association, 2001
Member, American Bar Association Standing Committee on the Delivery of Legal Services, 2004 - 2007
Member, American Bar Association Standing Committee on Lawyer Referral and Information Service Programs, 2001 - 2004
Fellow, American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, 1993 - present
Ex Officio Member, The American Law Institute, 2001
Governor, Board of Governors, Maine State Bar Association, 1996 - 2002
Chairperson, Finance Committee, Maine State Bar Association, 2000
Member, Self-Represented Litigant Task Force, 1999 to 2007
Member, Justice Action Group, 2000 – 2001, 2005 to 2007
Member, Justice Action Group Organizational Working Group, 2000
Member, Edward Thaxter Gignoux Inn of Court, 2000
Member, Maine State Bar Association's Women's Law Section
Member, Family Law Section, Maine State Bar Association
Chair, Family Law Section, Maine State Bar Association, 1994
Judge, Maine State Bar Association EXCEL Mock Trial, 1993 - 2002
Member, Family Law Advisory Commission, 1998 to 2000
Fellow and Board Member, Maine Bar Foundation
Legislative Vice-Chair, Family Law Section, Maine State Bar Association, 1993
Co-Chair, Public Affairs Committee, 1990 to 1993
Member, Cumberland Bar Association
Member, New England Bar Association
Member, Maine Supreme Judicial Court Advisory Committee on the Code of Professional Responsibility, 1999 - 2005
Member, Ad Hoc Committee on Rule 53 of the Maine Rules of Civil Procedure
Member, Maine Task Force on Ethics 2000, 2005 – 2008

Publications/Speeches:

April, 2018	Presenter, York County Bar Association, <u>Bankruptcy and Family Law</u>
February, 2016	Presenter, <u>Maine Trial Lawyers Association Annual Meeting</u> , "Divorce lawyers are litigators, too"
November, 2009	Presenter, <u>Massachusetts Bar Association</u>

Continuing legal education program on unbundled legal services.

- December, 2008 Presenter, Harvard Law School, Bellow-Sacks Access to Civil Legal Services Project
Unbundled legal services.
- November, 2008 Presenter, New England Bar Association Meeting
Unbundled legal services.
- September, 2008 Presenter, Missouri Bar Association Annual Meeting
Des Moines, Iowa
Unbundled legal services.
- September, 2006 Speaker, Maine State Bar Association Family Law Institute
Who, what, when, where, why and how of limited scope representation.
- September, 2006 Panelist, North Western Regional Conference on Access to Justice
Des Moines, Iowa
- May, 2006 Panelist, New Hampshire Bar Association Meeting
How unbundled legal services work, and creating rules to permit limited scope representation.
- May, 2006 Panelist, Eastern Regional Conference on Access to Justice
White Plains, New York
- May, 2005 Speaker, Connecticut Bar Association Annual Meeting,
What is unbundled legal service and how does it work.
- January, 2005 Speaker, Massachusetts Bar Association Annual Meeting
Establishing Rules to Permit Limited Scope Representation.
- January, 2006 Moderator, Unbundling - Civil and Ethical Rule Changes Ethics 2000 comes to Maine: Should Maine Revise its Bar Rules to More Closely Coincide with the ABA Model Rules of Professional Responsibility?
- October, 2002 Speaker, National Lawyer Referral Workshop, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Establishing an Unbundled Legal Service Panel.
- September, 2001 Speaker, Maine State Bar Association, Augusta, Maine
Significant Rule Changes
- June, 2001 Moderator, In Search of the Virtual Bench, Maine State Bar Association Summer Bar Meeting, Bar Harbor, Maine
- February, 2001 Issues in Relocation Litigation, Maine State Bar Association, Family Law Institute, Augusta, Maine

January, 2001	Moderator and Speaker, <u>Public Forum on Proposed Changes to the Rules of Professional Responsibility and Civil Procedure</u> , Maine State Bar Association, Winter Meeting, Rockport, Maine
December, 2000	Guest, <u>Law on the Line</u> , Channel 4 local television
September, 2000	Speaker, <u>Maine Legal Ethics</u> , Lorman Education Services, South Portland, Maine
June, 2000	Moderator, <u>A Changing Market for Law Services: New Rules for a New Game</u> , Maine State Bar Association, Bar Harbor, Maine
May, 2000	Speaker, <u>Adult Children of Divorce</u> , Bucknam Road Behavioral Health Center, Falmouth, Maine
March, 2000	Certificate of Completion, Bar Leadership Institute, American Bar Association
November, 1999	Attendee, <u>A National Conference on Pro Se Litigation</u> , State Justice Institute, Scottsdale, Arizona
October, 1999	Moderator, <u>Navigating the System: Nuts and Bolts of the Family Law Case</u> , Maine State Bar Association
June, 1998	Moderator, <u>Summit on the Profession, Professionalism and the Practice of Law</u> , Maine State Bar Association
June, 1996	Negotiation and Drafting the <u>Defined Contribution Plan QDRO</u> , Maine State Bar Association <u>Pensions and Divorce: Complete QDRO Workshop</u>
May, 1996	<u>Basic Bankruptcy Overview: The Basic Tools that all Family Law Practitioners Need to Spot and Address the Bankruptcy Issues</u> , Maine State Bar Association <u>Bankruptcy and Family Law</u>
May, 1996	<u>Peculiarities of Family Law Issues in Bankruptcy and Bankruptcy Issues in the Family Law Context</u> , Maine State Bar Association <u>Bankruptcy and Family Law</u>
May, 1996	<u>View from the Bench</u> , Maine State Bar Association <u>Bankruptcy and Family Law</u>
November, 1995	<u>Distribution of Property</u> , Maine State Bar Association <u>Practical Skills for the Family Lawyer</u>
May, 1995	<u>What's New with Marital Property Law in Maine</u> , Maine State Bar Association <u>The Economics of Divorce</u>

January, 1995	<u>Requirements, Drafting & Implementation of Qualified Domestic Relations Orders and Qualified Medical Support Orders</u> , Maine State Bar Association 1995 Annual Meeting
October, 1993	<u>Family Law</u> , Maine State Bar Association <u>1993 Legal Year in Review</u>
April, 1993	<u>Trial Tactics and Techniques - Custody and the Relocating Family</u> , Maine State Bar Association <u>Parenting Alternatives</u>
May, 1992	<u>Managing the Emotional Needs of Divorce Clients to Suit their Legal Needs</u> , Maine State Bar Association <u>Managing a Family Law Practice</u>
December, 1991	<u>Interstate Child Custody Matters</u> , Maine State Bar Association <u>Emerging Issues in Domestic Practice</u>
May, 1991	<u>Preliminary Injunction Statute</u> , 19 M.R.S.A. Co-Author, <u>Alimony Statute</u> , 19 M.R.S.A. §721
October, 1990	<u>Commencing the Proceeding</u> , Maine State Bar Association <u>Domestic Relations: The Basics</u>
February, 1990	<u>Commencing the Proceeding</u> , Maine State Bar Association <u>Domestic Relations: The Basics</u> <u>Economics and Divorce</u> , Moderator National Business Institute

Awards/Recognitions:

2003	ABA Louis Brown Award for Legal Access 2003 The Self-Represented Litigant Task Force of the State of Maine
2004 – 2019	Martindale-Hubble AV rating 5 out of 5 (peer rating)