



## CASSANDRA L. SUCHOMEL

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### OVERVIEW

Cassandra joined Hellmuth & Johnson in 2021, after spending six years practicing family law as a solo practitioner and with another family law firm. Her practice extends from Minnesota to Wisconsin and includes divorce, custody, post-decree matters, child support, child protection matters, stepparent/second parent adoptions, paternity, antenuptial agreements, postnuptial agreements, and spousal maintenance matters. While 90% of family law cases settle outside of trial, Cassandra has prevailed at trial for her clients in both Minnesota and Wisconsin.

Cassandra received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Hamline University in Saint Paul, Minnesota and her Juris Doctor from William Mitchell College of Law in 2015. She was involved in the Child Protection Clinic at William Mitchell College of Law, representing parents going through Child in Need of Protection (CHIPS) actions in Hennepin and Ramsey County. Cassandra is also a Qualified Rule 114 Neutral. Throughout her education, Cassandra volunteered and worked for domestic abuse shelters, helping women and children navigate through the most difficult time in their lives. Prior to becoming a lawyer, Cassandra worked has had extensive law firm experience, working as both a paralegal and law clerk. This experience allows her to have knowledge in all aspects of representing a client from start to finish.

It is from all these experiences that Cassandra holds to the standard that cases should be treated on an individual level.

### EXPERIENCE

- Successfully overcame the burden of *Michels v. Lyons* (2019) in favor of grandparent visitation
- Obtained a stepparent adoption based on abandonment of the biological father
- Successfully argued for suspension of parenting time due to chemical dependency concerns
- Obtained custody of nonjoint children for a stepparent following the unexpected death of the biological mother
- Protected the interests of a stay-at-home mother in an antenuptial agreement

### PRACTICE AREA

Child Custody  
Divorce  
Family Law  
Guardianship & Conservatorship

### ADMISSIONS

Minnesota State Courts  
Wisconsin State Courts

### EDUCATION

William Mitchell College of Law, J.D., 2015  
Hamline University, B.A., 2005

- Prevailed at trial involving an immigration Affidavit of Support in Wisconsin
- Prevailed at trial involving a spouse dissipating significant funds after separation in Minnesota

## AFFILIATIONS

- Member, Minnesota State Bar Association
- Member, Wisconsin State Bar Association
- Member, Ramsey County Bar Association
- Family Law League
- Co-Chair, RCBA Solo Small Firm Section
- Member, Collaborative Law Institute

## TESTIMONIALS

- *“When I made the decision of divorce, my main concern was the safety of my child and our financial security. Cassandra was recommended to me by my close friend, and upon first meeting her, I knew I had found the lawyer I needed. She is kind, understanding, prompt in her responses, and puts the needs of her clients first. I am very thankful that I had Cassandra helping me through the divorce process and thankful for her help afterwards with other questions. Thank you!”* – Former Client
- *“Cassandra helped me through one of the most difficult times in my life that I was going into completely blind. Not only did she take care of things that I would have not been able to do myself, she guided me through every step so that I knew exactly what was going on. I am forever grateful to Cassandra and what she did for my family.”* – Former Client