



Mary L. Pollock
Attorney Mediator - Partner

LICENSES HELD

Licensed Attorney, State of California, 2007 - Present

BAR ADMISSIONS

2007 California State Bar

EDUCATION

2003 Juris Doctor
Monterey College of Law, Monterey, CA

1989 Associates Degree in Criminal Justice
Cabrillo College, Aptos, CA

AWARDS & HONORS

Graduated Top of Class, Monterey College of Law, 2003

Alumni Association Scholarship Award, Monterey College of Law, June 2003

Delivered Commencement Address, Monterey College of Law, June 2003

4L Class Representative, 2002 - 2003

Santa Cruz Women Lawyers Scholarship, August 2001

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2013 - Present Attorney Mediator - Partner, 2015 - Present
Divorce Help, California

- Contract Attorney, 2013 - 2015
Divorce Helpline, Santa Cruz, CA
- 2013 - Present Attorney - Co-Founder
Smart Legal Solutions, a Non-Profit Corporation, Santa Cruz, CA
- 2008 - 2015 Litigating Family Attorney - Partner
Mylordos, Pollock and Harris, Pleasanton, CA
- 1993 - 2008 Mediator, 2002 - 2008
Divorce Helpline, Santa Cruz, CA
- Paralegal, 1993 - 2002
Divorce Helpline, Santa Cruz, CA
- 1984 - 1993 Various employment, while attending college and raising four children.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

- 2013 Family Law Mediation Training, 40 hour course, CLE certified
- 2008 Advanced Mediation Training, 15 hour course, CLE certified
- 2006 Enneagram & Communication Pathway from Self to Other, 6 hour course

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- County Bar Association, Santa Cruz County
- Women Lawyers Santa Cruz County
- Alameda County Bar Association
- Contra Costa County Bar Association
- Santa Cruz County Family Law Bar

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Parent Volunteer, Santa Cruz High School Sports, 1994 - 2002
- Classroom Volunteer, Brook Knoll Elementary, Scotts Valley, CA, 1984 - 1998
- Parent Volunteer, Scotts Valley Little League, Scotts Valley, CA, 1985 - 1996
- Foster Parent, 1998 - 2000

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- "Divorce and How to Do your Own Divorce in California Book by Ed Sherman"*, Co-Presenter for a Convention for Financial Planners, CA, 2015.

“Divorce 101 Workshops”, Co-Presenter, San Jose CA and Santa Cruz, CA, 2008 - 2015.

“Qualified Domestic Relations Orders (QDROS) and Retirement Division in the Divorce Process”, Co-Presenter for the Collaborative Group of Certified Financial Planners, Pleasanton, CA, 2004.

SPECIAL AREAS OF INTEREST / EXPERIENCE

- Addiction and substance abuse and its effects on families
- Same-sex relationships and issues facing the LGBTQIA+ communities
- Advocate for foster children, their special needs and forever families
- Planning for the future regarding aging and disability