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- Family & Marital Law Client

Derren K. Ciaglia devotes her practice exclusively to challenging family law matters, including divorce, child support, child custody, alimony, paternity matters and family law litigation involving complex financial and parenting issues.

As a mother of three, Derren understands the importance of minimizing the effect the legal process can have on families. She tries to find creative solutions that are tailored to each family's unique circumstances.

Trained in the interdisciplinary model of collaborative family law, Derren is passionate about advocating for her clients and providing them with support and guidance during what can be difficult and uncertain times in their lives. She is a compassionate listener, a good problem solver and settlement focused, negotiating on behalf of clients both in and out of mediation.

Derren is active in the Orlando community, currently serving as vice president of children's programming for the Rosen Jewish Community Center Board of Directors. She is also a member of The Florida Bar and the Orange County Bar Association.

Admitted to practice law in Florida, Derren also previously practiced in Illinois. She earned her law degree cum laude from the University of Florida Levin College of Law, where she received a Family Law Certificate and three Book Awards in perspectives of family, collaborative law, and intimate partner violence assistance. She has dedicated her entire legal career to matters involving families.

Practices & Industries

Family & Marital Law

Admissions

Florida

Education

- University of Florida Levin College of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 2011
- University of Michigan, B.A., *with honors*, 2008; Sociology

Recognitions

- Top Author in Family, *JD Supra* Readers' Choice Awards, 2024
- *The Best Lawyers in America* guide, Family Law, 2026
- *The Best Lawyers in America* guide, Ones to Watch, Family Law, 2023-2025
- *Orlando Family Magazine*, Awesome Attorneys, Family Law, 2022
- Family Law Certificate, University of Florida Levin College of Law
- Book Award, Perspectives of Family, University of Florida Levin College of Law
- Book Award, Collaborative Law, University of Florida Levin College of Law
- Book Award, Intimate Partner Violence Assistance Committee, University of Florida Levin College of Law
- Legal Extern, Honorable Judge Paul, United States District Court, Northern District of Florida
- Legal Extern, Honorable Judge Hood, United States District Court, Eastern District of Michigan

Community Activities

- Rosen JCC: Jewish Community Center of Southwest Orlando, Board of Directors

Professional Certifications & Memberships

- The Florida Bar Association
- Orange County Bar Association

Testimonials

"I have had to work with dozens of different attorneys for business, family, and estate law in many states and nobody comes close to your level of effort, responsiveness, and attention to the case. I always felt like a priority, and that you were never lost on the facts of my complicated case. We had some tough calls, but I am beyond satisfied with your work. I would never consider using anyone else for my family matters. You delivered everything you said you would and more!"

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"Thank you all [at Lowndes] so much for all your help and advice with my divorce. It was the toughest time in my life, and I felt at ease having your awesome team to help me. I appreciate you all so very much."

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"I greatly appreciate all of your help on every level. I would have not had the confidence to proceed in this case without your knowledge and support."

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To protect the privacy of our clients, names have been removed. Results are case and fact specific.

News

Best Lawyers Recognizes 68 Lowndes Attorneys in 2026

08.21.2025 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Best Lawyers Recognizes 59 Lowndes Attorneys in 2025, One Named Lawyer of the Year

08.15.2024 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Derren Ciaglia and Gary Kaleita Named Top 10 Authors by *JD Supra's* 2024 Readers' Choice Awards

03.06.2024 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Best Lawyers Recognizes 49 Lowndes Attorneys in 2024, Three Named Lawyer of the Year

08.17.2023 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

46 Lowndes Attorneys Recognized by *Best Lawyers* in 2023

08.18.2022 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

14 Lowndes Attorneys Named to *Orlando Family Magazine's* "Awesome Attorneys 2022"

02.15.2022 | AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Derren Ciaglia Named Vice President of Children's Programming for Rosen JCC Board of Directors

07.07.2021 | PRESS RELEASE

Law360 Names Attys Who Moved Up The Firm Ranks In Q1

05.07.2021 | MEDIA MENTION

Derren Ciaglia and Ryan Scordato Named Shareholders at Lowndes

02.01.2021 | FIRM NEWS

Derren Ciaglia Appointed to Seniors First Board of Directors

07.25.2017 | PRESS RELEASE

Publications

Two Big Changes to Florida Law that Every Father Should Know About this Father's Day

06.06.2024 | ARTICLE

The Parenting Plan

12.17.2023 | PUBLICATION

What All Unwed Fathers Should Know About Voluntary Acknowledgements of Paternity

09.27.2023 | ARTICLE

Governor DeSantis Signs Landmark Alimony Reform Bill Eliminating Permanent Alimony

07.01.2023 | ARTICLE

Protecting Your Inheritance with a Prenuptial Agreement

04.05.2022 | ARTICLE

Tips for Holiday Cheers—Not Tears—When Going Through a Divorce

12.20.2021 | ARTICLE

Co-Parenting Tricks to Make Halloween a Treat

10.19.2021 | ARTICLE

Dads Are Important, Too: The Vital Role of Dads in Divorce and 50/50 Timesharing
06.18.2021 | ARTICLE

School's Out, Summer's Here – It's a Good Time to Review your Summer Time-Sharing Schedule
05.25.2021 | ARTICLE

Divorce During COVID – How We Have Adapted
02.08.2021 | ARTICLE

COVID-19 Continues to Impact Divorce Proceedings
06.09.2020 | ARTICLE

Modifying Alimony or Child Support Due to COVID-19 Unemployment
03.31.2020 | ARTICLE

Shared Parenting During the Coronavirus Crisis
03.24.2020 | ARTICLE

Thinking You're Headed Toward Divorce? Here's What You Need To Know
12.20.2017 | ARTICLE