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## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Fellow, International Academy of Family Lawyers (IAFL)
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- Board of Directors, Association of Certified Family Law Specialists
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- American Bar Association, Family Law Section
- Los Angeles County Bar Association, Family Law Section
- Association of Family and Conciliation Courts – California Chapter

# CHRISTOPHER C. MELCHER

## PARTNER

Business owners, celebrities, and trust beneficiaries across California turn to me for assistance protecting their most valuable assets in high stakes divorces. With deep experience in complex family law litigation and premarital agreements, I provide tactical representation in the most challenging family law disputes.

## ABOUT

I understand the need to keep sensitive family matters private, having represented noteworthy clients in the largest divorce cases in California. My clients include A-list celebrities, executives, and tech company founders. Frequently, I am hired by other family lawyers as a consultant, expert, or co-counsel on significant divorce cases in California.

My passion is helping others and I love the law. My father was a trial lawyer and I learned not only how to be a lawyer from him, but what it means to be a lawyer.

## MY SERVICES

I navigate all the financial aspects of divorce, including:

- ✓ Tax consequences of property division and alimony
- ✓ Corporate laws dealing with the division of a family business,
- ✓ The definition of income for purposes of setting spousal and child support.
- ✓ Appeals of family law judgments and writ proceedings from family law orders, with two California Supreme Court appearances and multiple published decisions.

## WEBINARS/CONTINUING EDUCATION

I have presented about 200 continuing legal education programs to other attorneys on complex family law issues. I am a published author in California premarital agreements and financial issues in divorce. I wrote the only treatise on California premarital agreement law, published by LexisNexis.

I am an adjunct professor of family law at Pepperdine University School of Law in Malibu. Before entering family law exclusively, I practiced criminal defense and civil personal injury litigation.

## ACCOLADES

I hold the rating of AV® Preeminent™ by [Martindale-Hubbell\\*](#) and a rating of 10.0 (Subperb) by [Avvo.com](#). I have been recognized by Super Lawyers since 2011, Best Lawyers since 2013, and named to Chambers & Partners Tier 1 for their individually ranked attorneys, for 2022.