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## Overview

Edith Osman's practice includes business litigation, matrimonial law, and mediation. She has significant experience representing clients in dissolution of marriage proceedings, resolving complex family law disputes, post-divorce modifications and enforcement proceedings, child custody and time-sharing disputes, equitable distribution of marital assets, negotiating and drafting pre- and postnuptial agreements, and paternity actions.

Edith is a trained collaborative professional who works with teams of neutral mental health and financial experts to resolve family law cases out of court. Edith is also a Florida Supreme Court certified civil mediator and a Florida Supreme Court certified family law mediator.

## All Insights

06.01.2020    Legal Foundations: Edith G. Osman, Esquire  
*Dade County Bar Association Bulletin*

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12.21.2016    Family Law: Corporate and Trust Challenges to Service of Process  
and Jurisdiction

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12.15.2016    Update Beneficiary Designations After Divorce or Annulment

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08.30.2015    Domestic Partnership Agreements: FAQs

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08.23.2015    Domestic Partnership Agreements: Financial Disclosures and  
Privacy

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08.16.2015    Domestic Partnership Agreements: Survivor's Rights on Death

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08.09.2015	Domestic Partnership Agreements: Support upon Termination of the Relationship
08.02.2015	Domestic Partnership Agreements: Separate Property and Jointly Acquired Property
07.26.2015	Domestic Partnership Agreements: The Home and Joint Expenses
07.19.2015	Domestic Partnership Agreements: Overview
10.01.2009	The Florida Bar News article: Osman to lead S.C. Historical Society

### All News

09.15.2020	Carlton Fields' Edith G. Osman Appointed Chair of the ABA Standing Committee on Meetings & Travel
05.03.2020	Legal Foundations: Edith G. Osman, Esquire
01.16.2020	Carlton Fields' Edith G. Osman Recognized As One of ABA's 100 Women Who Inspire Us
10.29.2019	Carlton Fields' Edith G. Osman Selected to Receive University of Miami School of Law Professionalism Award
08.07.2019	Legal Eagle Shines Spotlight on Carlton Fields Attorney Edith G. Osman
07.09.2018	Super Lawyers Honors 81 Carlton Fields Attorneys on 2018 Florida "Super Lawyers" and "Rising Stars"
08.15.2017	78 Carlton Fields Attorneys Named "Best Lawyers in America"
06.23.2017	Florida Super Lawyers Ranks 92 Carlton Fields Attorneys as 2017 "Super Lawyers" and "Rising Stars"
01.02.2017	Carlton Fields Attorneys Named to the 2017 "South Florida Legal Guide"

### Recognition

- AV Rated by Martindale-Hubbell
- Henry Latimer Professionalism Award, University of Miami School of Law (2019)
- 100 Women Who Inspire Us, American Bar Association (2019)
- Professional Excellence Lifetime Achievement Award, *Daily Business Review*

(2015)

- Most Effective Lawyers Award, *Daily Business Review* (2014)
- David W. Dyer Professionalism Award, Miami-Dade County Bar Association (2013)
- Key Partners Award, *South Florida Business Journal* (2011)
- Influential Business Women, *South Florida Business Journal* (2011)
- Jurisprudence Award, presented by the Anti Defamation League. Watch Judge Alan S. Gold introduce Edith Osman and Edith Osman's acceptance speech (2009)
- Recognized by the *South Florida Legal Guide* as one of 10 "Distinguished Attorneys" in South Florida (2010)
- "Women Who Make a Difference" Award, Junior League of Miami (2010)
- Women of Impact Award XIX, Women's History Coalition of Miami-Dade County (2007)
- *The Best Lawyers in America*, Family Law (2012–2021)
- Florida Legal Elite, *Florida Trend Magazine* (2004, 2007, 2010–2016, 2019)
- Top Lawyers, *South Florida Legal Guide* (2001–2010, 2014–2016)
- Florida Super Lawyers, *Super Lawyers Magazine* (2006–2007, 2012–2020)
- Selected for biographical inclusion in *Beyond Julia's Daughters: Women in Miami-Dade History 1975–2000* (2007)
- Florida Association for Women Lawyers' Women's History Month Honoree (2004)
- 100 Women to Watch, *Miami Metro Magazine* (2000)
- Judge Mattie Belle Davis Achievement Award (2000)
- Florida Women of Achievement Photographic Exhibit (2000)
- Women's Park Founders Award (2000)
- Roxy O'Neal Bolton Women's History Gallery (2000)
- ZIFF Museum's Breaking the Glass Ceiling Award (2000)
- In the Company of Women Award, Miami-Dade County (2000)
- Inaugural Rosemary Barkett Outstanding Achievement Award (1997)
- Outstanding Past Voluntary Bar President's Award (1996)
- Listed in *Who's Who in the World*, *American Women*, *American Law*, *Emerging Leaders*, *South Southwest*, and *Strathmore's Who's Who*

## **Professional & Community Involvement**

- The Florida Bar
  - President (1999-2000)
  - President-Elect (1998-1999)
  - Chair, Grievance Mediation Committee (1997-1998)
  - Chair, All Bar Conference (1996-1997)
  - Investment Committee (1994-1995)

- Vice Chair, Rules & Bylaws Committee (1993-1995)
- Chair, Program Evaluation Committee (1991-1993)
- Executive Committee (1991-1992, 1996-2000)
- Board of Governors (1991-1997)
- Budget Committee (1988-1991, 1996-1998)
- Long Range Planning Committee (1988-1991, 1997)
- Special Committee on the All Bar Conference (1989-1991)
- Chair, Mid Year Florida Bar Convention (1988-1989)
- Voluntary Bar Liaison Committee (1987-1988)
- Chair, Legal Needs of Children Committee (2003-2004)
- Unified Family Court Advisory Committee (2004-2006)
- Special Commission of Lawyer Regular (2003-2006)
- Family Law Section
  - Executive Council (2001-2006)
  - Co-Chair, Alternate Dispute Resolution Committee (2002-2003)
  - Legal Education Committee (2002-present)
  - Legislation Committee (2001-2002)
  - Family Law Rules Committee (2004-2006)
  - Membership Committee (2005-2006)
- American Bar Association (since 1984)
  - Standing Committee on Meeting and Travel (2016-present)
    - Chair (2020-2021)
  - State Delegate (2016-present)
  - Rule of Law Initiative Committee (2013-2016)
  - "ABA Days" Committee (2016-present)
  - President's Nominating Committee (2016-present)
  - Board of Governors (2010-2013)
  - House of Delegates (1998-present)
  - Florida State Delegate/Nominating Committee (2016-present)
  - Commission on the Status of Women in the Profession (2009-2010)
  - Chair, Margaret Brent Award Luncheon (2010)
  - House Select Committee (2004-2007)
  - Special Commission on Disaster Relief (2007-2010)
  - Standing Committee on Bar Activities and Services (2003-2007)
  - Standing Committee on Independence of the Judiciary (2000-2003)
  - Award Event Committee
  - Direct Women's Initiative Sections on: Litigation; Family Law; Dispute Resolution, Litigation Tort and Insurance Practice

- Florida Supreme Court Historical Society (2005-present)
  - Board of Directors (2005-2007)
  - Second Vice President (2007-2008)
  - First Vice President (2008-2009)
  - President (2009-2010)
- Completed Basic Training in the Interdisciplinary Team Model of Collaborative Practice (May, 2014)
- Collaborative Family Law Group of Miami Dade County (2014)
- Anti-Defamation League
  - The Florida Regional Board, Member of the Executive Committee (2010-present)
  - Board of Directors (2008-2010)
- First Family Law Inns of Court
  - President (2010-2011)
  - Vice President (2009-2010)
  - Secretary (2008-2009)
- Florida Association of Women Lawyers
  - Statewide President (1989-1990)
  - Statewide President-Elect (1988-1989)
  - President, Dade County Chapter (1987-1988)
  - Vice President, Dade County Chapter (1986-1987)
  - Director, Dade County Chapter (1985-1986)
- The Commonwealth Institute
  - Board of Directors (2008-present)
  - South Florida Chapter Board of Advisors
- Holocaust Memorial Board (2010-present)
- Southern Legal Counsel, Board of Directors (2005-2009)
- Director, Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce (2007-present)
- Board of Directors, Miami City Club (2003-2006)
- Board of Directors, Florida Women of Achievement (2002-present)
- Honorary Chair, The Women's Fund (2003)
- Advisory Board, FIU Women's Studies
- International Academy of Collaborative Professionals (2014)
- National Conference of Bar Association Presidents
  - Membership Committee (1998-2001)
- American Bar Foundation Fellow
- Southern Conference of Bar Associations (1998-present)
- Board of Directors, Florida Bar Foundation (1998-2000)

- Florida Council of Bar Association Presidents
  - President (1991-1992)
  - President-Elect (1990-1991)
  - Treasurer (1989-1990)
  - Director (1987-1989)
- Director, National Conference of Women's Bar Associations (1989-1991)
- Commissioner, Joint Commission on the Delivery of Legal Services to the Indigent (1990-1991)
- Dade County Bar Association
  - Programs Chairman (1988-1989, 1990-1991, 1995-1996)
  - Executive Committee (1987-1988)
  - Director (1986-1989)

## Speaking Engagements

- "Powerhouse Opening and Closing," Federal Bench Bar Conference (November 2016)
- "Past, Present, and Future of Women in the Profession," Florida Association for Women Lawyers Retreat (September 2016)
- Inaugural Session, Wm. Reece Smith Jr. Leadership Academy, Fort Lauderdale, FL (July 19, 2013)
- "Dealing with Difficult Opposing Counsel," American Airlines Arena (April 9, 2013)
- "How Sexual Differences Influence Social Networking and Media Sites," Association of Family and Conciliation Courts' 48th Annual Conference (2011)
- "The Impact of Family Law on Civil, Criminal, & Bankruptcy Practice," Spellman-Hoeveler American Inns of Court Reception (May 31, 2011)
- University of Miami School of Law Mediation Class (October 2010)
- Anti-Defamation League Jurisprudence Award (November 2009)
- "Women in Power Positions: Getting and Keeping Your Seat at the Table and Why It's Important," Florida Association for Women Lawyers, Dade Chapter (2009)
- "Pre-Nups – The Little Black Dress That Should Always Be in Your Closet," Gen Spring Family Offices (2008)
- "Best Practices for Women Lawyers to Excel," Tallahassee Women Lawyers Association, Women's Professional Empowerment Series (February 2007)
- "Now and Then: The Advancement of Women in the Legal Profession and What the Future Holds," Florida Association for Women Lawyers, Dade Chapter (April 2007)
- "The Growing Role of Mediation in the Americas: Dispute Resolution v. Litigation," ABA International Law Section (November 2006)
- "Leadership: Balancing the Scales," Florida Association for Women Lawyers (January 20, 2006)

## Credentials

### EDUCATION

- University of Miami School of Law (J.D., cum laude, 1983)
- State University of New York at Stony Brook (B.A.)

### BAR ADMISSIONS

- Florida

### LANGUAGES

- Russian
- Spanish

## Areas of Focus

### PRACTICES

- Alternative Dispute Resolution Services
- Business Transactions
- Family Law

### COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit
- U.S. Court of Military Appeals
- U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida
- Florida State Courts