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David Inlander is Managing Partner of Fischel Kahn.

He is a seasoned family law attorney with a focus on complex matrimonial mediation, collaborative and cooperative resolution processes for sophisticated clients. He also has extensive experience in chancery, trust and probate, and professional liability litigation in addition to his representation of professionals and entrepreneurs.

His skills as a mediator stem from more than 40 years of experience as a leading litigator in both state and federal courts, as he regularly guides challenging cases to resolution.

David is an active member of the Cooperative Divorce Attorneys of Chicago and is engaged in the expansion of alternative dispute resolution methods for high-end matrimonial cases. Utilizing this approach, the parties - not the attorneys and judges - drive the negotiations to an amicable resolution. He continuously refines and deepens his mediation skills, including completing an intensive course at Northwestern University in divorce mediation skills.

Professional Honors

David has been selected to the Illinois Super Lawyers list in the areas of family law and alternative dispute resolution (ADR) since 2014. This accolade is bestowed upon the top 5% of attorneys in the state, and David is one of 10 attorneys named to the list who practice in the area of ADR/mediation.

David was also selected as a Leading Lawyer of Illinois in addition to being selected as one of 2019's top 5% of

attorneys in Illinois by Best Lawyers in America, in the areas of Family Law, General Litigation and Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR). Leading Lawyers also named him a top Neutral of 2018. In addition to these, David is AV Preeminent Rated by Martindale-Hubbell, the highest level of professional excellence in ethical standards and legal ability.

David Inlander was named a Best Lawyer for both Family Law and Collaborative Law. Further, David was awarded Chicago's 2019 Family Law "Lawyer of the Year" by Best Lawyers.



David is the current Chair of the prestigious Illinois State Bar Association Bench & Bar Section Council and regularly pens articles for its newsletter.

Member

- Chicago Bar Association
- Illinois State Bar Association
- American Bar Association
- Illinois Trial Lawyers Association
- American Association for Justice
- Decalogue Society of Lawyers

Author

- "Chicken Dinner Warrants Recusal? Not So Fast!". ISBA Bench & Bar Newsletter, Vol. 50 no. 6, March 2020; ISBA Trial Briefs Newsletter, Vol. 66 no. 5, March 2020; ISBA Commercial Banking, Collections

and Bankruptcy Newsletter, Vol. 63 no. 3, April 2020 [View here](#)

- "Bench and Bar Section Council year in review 2018-2019: Reflections from the chair". ISBA Bench & Bar Newsletter, Vol. 29 no. 10, June 2019 [View here](#)
- "Chair's column: Crisis? National emergency? For Illinois lawyer's, it's time to address a serious issue" ISBA Bench & Bar Newsletter, Vol. 49, no. 7, March 2019 [View here](#)
- "Chair's column: Bench & Bar addresses attacks on the rule of law" ISBA Bench & Bar Newsletter, Vol. 49, no. 5, January 2019 [View here](#)
- "Chair's column: Truth and the law" ISBA Bench & Bar Newsletter, Vol. 49, no. 3, September 2018 [View here](#)
- "Chair's column: We could be heroes" ISBA Bench & Bar Newsletter, Vol. 49, no.1, July 2018 [View here](#)
- "Upholding or striking consumer mandatory arbitration clauses- What is the current trend?" ISBA Bench & Bar Newsletter, Vol. 48, No. 8, February 2018 [View here](#)

Admissions

- State of Illinois, 1975
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
- Member, Federal Trial Bar

Education

- Northwestern University, Divorce Mediation Skills Training Certificate Program, 2016
- Loyola University, J.D. with honors, 1975
- Note and Comment Editor, Loyola Law Journal
- Vanderbilt University and University of Illinois, B.A. cum laude, 1972

Community Involvement

David has been active in the American Jewish Committee (AJC) for decades, currently serving as the Chair of the Interreligious Affairs Commission. This global role involves creating and shaping policy and has included multiple audiences with Pope Francis, as well as meetings with the highest levels of religious leadership in the United States and around the world, from Mexico City and Morocco to Istanbul, Israel, and India. In 2019, his work with the AJC was chronicled in the Super Lawyer's- Illinois 2019 magazine in a piece called "Repairing the world".