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DIVORCE IN NEW YORK – CHOOSING THE RIGHT LAWYER

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Because divorce is one of if not the absolute worst, most confusing, most complex experience for most people it is more important to select the lawyer who will be right for you. In a divorce, your closest confidante has turned into an ugly, often vindictive adversary. The person you counted on to have your back, to maintain your secrets, and from whom you sought comfort and solace, is now threatening you and your future, your most precious, most crucial relationships and your ability to survive and thrive. People often fear losing their children, being unable to support themselves in an appropriate lifestyle, and being stymied from finding new relationships and not being left alone in the world. It is understandable to be consumed with fear, overwhelmed with emotion, feel angry, worried, disappointed and shame. Overwhelming vulnerability. One emotion bleeds easily into the next, so the gracious desire to protect precious children can surreptitiously morph into vindictive anger against the other parent. The fact that most are unfamiliar with the legal system, their legal rights, and how the legal system works, creates another level of vulnerability, fear, and frustration that heightens the already great turmoil and angst. Normal, good people behave as if they have significant personality disorders, and rationality often seems to vanish because of all the fear.

More than in any other area of practice, therefore, it is important to find the right lawyer that will protect, defend, and shepherd you through the terror of divorce. Because so many critical issues are at stake, just “any old lawyer” won’t be good enough for this. A book-smart lawyer who won’t be able to calm you down, will leave you sleepless. A smooth-talking lawyer who doesn’t have the book-smarts will not be up to the task of winning for you. A lawyer who is busy looking at the cell phone as you speak, won’t understand you deeply, “get” your concerns, and be prepared to present your case powerfully to the court in a compelling and winning manner. *You therefore need it all!* A caring, kind, book-smart, people-smart lawyer, who will champion your cause as he calms you down, educate you on the law and help you strategize so that you’re controlled by reason rather than fear; so that you’re proactive rather than reactive; so that you make the durable decisions that will be right for your next decade rather than the one that gives you only fleeting

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satisfaction.

You need a lawyer who cares for you, one that you trust to guide you, to pull you back from the brink, a careful strategist and tactician who can see into the future and can predict likely outcomes, one who knows the law intimately but also understands human behavior, one who is dedicated and persistent, willing to do the hard work that the preparation you need to win requires, one who is creative and won't just take the "simple answer" but can find unconventional solutions to legal problems, one who can use Talmudic discipline to cut through the forest for the trees, and one nimble enough to turn on a dime when the sands of litigation shift with the parties' constantly moving litigation postures. One who isn't afraid of tough adversaries and can marshal his own strength and dominance to prevail in the face of overwhelming odds.

With over twenty-five (25) years of experience, as a mediator, and formerly a law-clerk to a federal judge, Chaim Steinberger will listen carefully to your issues and concerns. He will help you solve your problems without creating new or bigger ones. He will champion your cause with skill, dexterity, and integrity so as to minimize your pain and cost as much as possible. Because he has studied not only the law but the psychosocial dynamics of advocacy, he will explain what needs to be done and how, so that you always feel like you're in control and you know what will be happening next. His ferocious dedication and determination will give you the sense of safety, so that you can sleep soundly at night, knowing that Chaim is going to take care of you.

For more information, *see* [The Superior Lawyer](#).

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