

The Law Offices of
Nye & Associates, Ltd.

The Law Offices of Nye & Associates, Ltd. concentrates its practice in the areas of family (divorce) and related law, mental health and human services law, and small business/ corporate and professional practice law and development. We deal with people and people problems, family and family problems, and the human services professionals who help.

Our **Family Law Division** handles dissolution, custody, visitation, international and interstate abductions, removal, support and property matters. We also work extensively in cases involving allegations of domestic violence, including physical and sexual abuse, child protection, parentage (paternity), and adoption.

Our **Mental Health and Human Services Division** is available for consultations and representation for mental health providers, human services providers, Employee Assistance Providers (EAPs), medical and other related fields. We work extensively in the area of malpractice avoidance with a focus on confidentiality of clinical records, documentation, and practice management. Our attorneys have experience in handling healing arts malpractice cases; guardianship and commitment of mentally impaired individuals; elder law; special education, and we work extensively in cases which involve the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulations (IDFPR) and other administrative law environments. Our Telephone Consultation Service (TCS) is designed to provide mental health and human services professionals with a low cost way to seek out and get legal advice with almost any practice related question usually within one business day and often within hours of a provider contacting our office.

Our Lawyers:



Sandra G. Nye, J.D., M.S.W., principal, began practicing in 1963. She is admitted to the bar of the United States Supreme Court, the Supreme Court of Illinois, and is a member of the trial bar of the United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois. She has authored articles and books and has lectured widely throughout the country. Member: American Bar Association, Family Law Section; Illinois State Bar Association; Chicago Bar Association; Women's Bar Association of Illinois; National Association of Social Workers; Illinois Society of Clinical Social Work. Asst. Prof. of Jurisprudence in Psychiatry, University of Illinois Abraham Lincoln School of Medicine. She practices extensively in the areas of Mental Health Law, Family Law, Guardianship, Practice formation and incorporation, Illinois Department of Professional Regulation defense, and General Litigation. Ms. Nye is a nationally known lecturer and author and has lectured to Judges, Legal and Mental Health agencies, associations, and human services practices.



Jonathan D. Nye, J.D., managing partner, began practice in 1992. He is admitted to the bar of the Supreme Court of Illinois, and is a member of the general bar of the United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois and has written and lectured nationally. Member, or former member: American Bar Association, Family Law Section; Illinois State Bar Association; Chicago Bar Association, Lake County Bar Association. He practices extensively in the areas of Mental Health Law, Human Services Law, Family Law, Guardianship, Small Business, and General Litigation. Mr. Nye has lectured nationally to Judges and Hearing officers, Legal and Mental Health agencies, associations, and human services practices on subjects related to legal issues of Mental Health, Human Services, and Family Law. Mr. Nye is also often invited as a guest lecturer to undergraduate and graduate school programs involving human services, psychology, and social work. Mr. Nye has experience in trial practice and appellate work.

Our Philosophy:

Because litigation is always the last resort, we at *The Law Offices of Nye & Associates, Ltd.* recognize that litigation avoidance is the key. Through education, consultation, cooperation and mediation we try to assist our clients to identify how, under what circumstances, and at what cost (financial and emotional) the matters can be resolved. If a cooperative resolution is not possible and judicial intervention becomes necessary, for what ever reason, we make every attempt to get people out of a bad situation expending the least amount of emotional and financial resources. Litigation should not be a cash cow for the attorneys, it should be the means to a fair and final resolution of the controversy.

Our Family Law Division:

The Law Offices of Nye & Associates, Ltd., family law division, handles dissolution (divorce), custody, visitation, international and interstate abductions, removal, child support, maintenance (alimony) and property matters. We also work extensively in cases involving allegations of domestic violence, including physical and sexual abuse, child protection, parentage (paternity), and adoption.

In our practice we attempt to help our clients and potential clients to develop the proper mind set and priorities to make educated, informed, decisions regarding making the decision to initiate or defend a divorce or other family related case.

We are prepared to provide extensive family law related information and forms for our clients and potential clients to review in our ongoing efforts to teach anyone who has an interest or need to understand the law related to family issues.

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Our Telephone Consultation Service (TCS)

The Law Offices of Nye & Associates, Ltd., attorneys to Health and Human Services Professionals and their clients, offer legal consultation by telephone to individual health, mental health, and social service professionals for a yearly fee. Piece of mind at your fingertips! The emphasis of the service is on primary prevention of professional liability, risk avoidance and loss containment. Subscribers have unlimited telephone consultation privileges. The Firm will provide to subscribers unlimited telephone consultation on legal aspects of health, mental health and social services delivery, including mental health laws and related issues such as:

Managed Care Issues
Professional Licensure and Credentialing
Confidentiality and Clinical Records
Patients' Rights and Clinical Responsibilities
Malpractice Avoidance
The Clinician in the Courtroom

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**Serving families
and those who help them!**



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