



MEET TARA

"I'm incredibly committed, persistent, and excited about each new opportunity."

— Tara Burns

Tara Burns is an attorney in Obermayer's Family Law Department. Tara conducts legal research and drafts memoranda on her findings, aids clients and attorneys with the discovery process, prepares pleadings, motions, discovery requests, and discovery responses, and represents clients in all areas of family law including divorce, child and spousal support, and custody.

Tara is motivated by the opportunity to constantly interact with the community, to come up with solutions, and advocate in ways that make people's lives less stressful. The highlights of her time working in the legal field involve working closely with clients to provide lasting solutions to problems that previously affected them on a daily basis.

In her spare time, Tara enjoys going to concerts, visiting the art museums around Philadelphia, reading, golfing, hiking, and spending time with family (and the family dogs).

EXPERIENCE

While in law school, Tara worked as an advocate for victims of domestic violence and represented clients applying for civil protective orders as an extern at a private pro bono practice. She also worked to preserve student's rights to free and appropriate public education as a member of the Duke Children's Law Clinic.

NEWS & INSIGHTS

Guardian Ad Litem in Pennsylvania Custody Cases

January 16, 2024 by Tara Burns

Top 3 Tips for Tackling the Holidays While Co-Parenting

October 17, 2023 by Tara Burns

How to Navigate Legal Custody During the Upcoming School Year In Pennsylvania

August 28, 2023 by Tara Burns

Best Lawyers in America® 2024 Recognizes Obermayer

August 17, 2023 by Darwin R. Beauvais, Melissa K. Atkins, Stephanie Steckclair Tarantino, Shaun Staller, Amanda C. Frett, Nathan D. Fox, Kellie A. McGowan, Matthew S. Olesh, Michael A. Thom, Mathieu J. Shapiro, Gary Samms, Stephanie H. Winegrad, Shari B. Veisblatt, Adam Tanker, Alina Chuklin, Tara Burns, Robert I. Whitelaw, Michael D. Vagnoni, Nina B. Stryker, Leslie B. Spoltore, Michelle L. Ringel, Nicholas Poduslenko, Hillary J. Moonay, David L. Ladov, Andrew J. Horowitz, Paul C. Heintz, Samantha J. Evian, Lawrence J. Tabas, Julie R. Colton, Michael E. Bertin

Navigating the Process of Pennsylvania Custody Relocation

May 30, 2023 by Tara Burns

Understanding Unreimbursed Medical Expenses in PA Support Orders

March 13, 2023 by Tara Burns

ACTIVITIES & HONORS

Tara was selected for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America: Ones to Watch list in 2024.

In law school, Tara served as a guardian ad litem and worked with a program that taught Mock Trial/public speaking to middle schoolers, activities she hopes to continue in Philadelphia.

EDUCATION

- Duke University School of Law, JD
- The College of William & Mary, BA, History and Government, *magna cum laude*

ADMISSIONS

- Pennsylvania
- New Jersey

CAPABILITIES

Family Law

Adoption
Child & Spousal Support

Industry Focus

Financial Services
Health Care

Custody

Divorce

Domestic Abuse

Mediation

Litigation

Appellate

Commercial Litigation

Construction Litigation

Environmental

Insurance

Individuals & Private Clients

International Businesses

Local Governments & Municipal Authorities

Nonprofit Organizations

Real Estate & Construction

Universities & Secondary Schools