

**Debra S. Frank, Certified Family Law Specialist,
Awarded "Spirit of CEB" Award**

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Debra S. Frank, a Certified Family Law Specialist in Century City, chair of the Beverly Hills Bar Association Family Law Section and Immediate Past Chair of the Los Angeles County Bar Association Family Law Section, honored for her contribution to CEB and the legal profession with a "Spirit of CEB" award. An official announcement will be made in October at the State Bar Annual Meeting.

Debra S. Frank (<http://www.DSFrankLawOffice.com>), a Certified Family Law Specialist in Century City, California, was honored for her contribution to CEB (Continuing Education of the Bar — California) and the legal profession with a "Spirit of CEB" award. This year, the CEB is honoring twelve volunteer authors and speakers from seven practice areas, including Attorney Frank. An official announcement will be made in October at the State Bar Annual Meeting.

DEBRA S. FRANK has been a valuable author for two CEB publications for 15 years, California Marital Settlement and Other Family Law Agreements (3d ed Cal CEB 2005) and Dividing Pensions and Other Employee Benefits in California Divorces (Cal CEB 2006). Beginning with the second edition of Marital Settlement Agreements in 1997 and continuing with the third edition, Ms. Frank has made discerning and helpful contributions to the understanding and practical application of family law principles by her authorship of the chapter on marital agreements. In addition, she provided crucial assistance in the completion of Dividing Pensions and Other Employee Benefits by authoring the complex chapter on stock options and benefits under executive business plans.

CEB is a program of the University of California that is cosponsored by the State Bar of California. Founded in 1947 with the mandate to cultivate the

professional development of California lawyers, CEB was the first organization to offer formal Continuing Legal Education (CLE) in the state (<http://ceb.com/>). The CEB has been fortunate to work with the most generous of lawyers—men and women who have contributed their time and expertise to thousands of programs and publications. To acknowledge these contributors and their service to the profession, in 2005 CEB initiated the "Spirit of CEB" Awards. These awards are an acknowledgment of the contributors' selfless sharing of information for the betterment of the legal profession and the society it serves.

Ms. Frank maintains her law practice in the Century City area of Los Angeles. She has practiced law for more than 30 years. A certified family law specialist, Ms. Frank has played important roles on the executive committees of the State Bar's Family Law Section, the Los Angeles County Bar Association's Family Law Section, the Beverly Hills Bar Association Family Law Section, and the Association of Certified Family Law Specialists (ACFLS). She has lectured at and served as the reference book editor of, the annual LACBA Family Law Symposium. She also has written articles on family law, served as a Judge ProTem, and is a past commissioner and vice chair of the California Law Revision Commission. She earned her undergraduate degree from Boston University, her M.A. degree from Carnegie-Mellon University, and her J.D. degree from Southwestern University School of Law. Through her work with CEB and other contributions to the legal community as a practitioner and instructor, Ms. Frank has demonstrated an ongoing commitment to continuing legal education and the furtherance of the legal profession.

Southern California *Super Lawyers* magazine named her as one of the top attorneys in Southern California for 2009, 2010, 2011, and 2012. And she is rated AV® Preeminent™ by Martindale-Hubbell. (AV® Preeminent™ and BV® Distinguished™ are certification marks of Reed Elsevier Properties Inc., used in accordance with the Martindale-Hubbell certification procedures, standards and policies, 2011-present).

Her practice includes divorce and dissolution of marriage; California community property; spousal support/alimony; child support; child custody and child visitation; breach of fiduciary duty; domestic partnerships; prenuptial & postnuptial agreements; litigation; modifications of custody and support agreements; domestic violence; interstate custody; international custody; paternity and paternity tests; and property and debt division.

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