

**2024 Family Law Institute featuring For Better or For Worse®**  
**Day 1 – Part 4 – Child Related Case Law Updates**

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Faculty Biographies

**STEVEN H. EVERTS** is a Certified Family Law Specialist, Fellow of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, and a board-certified Family Law Trial Specialist by the National Board of Trial Advocacy. He was designated as one of Arizona's Top 100 Lawyers by *Az Business Magazine* in 2023. He has been selected for inclusion in *Southwest Super Lawyers* the last 12 years, *The Best Lawyers in America*, American Registry of Top Attorneys in Arizona, Arizona's Top-Rated Lawyers, and as one of Arizona's Finest Lawyers in *Phoenix Magazine*. He has an AVVO rating of 10.0. He has been retained on several occasions as an expert witness regarding lawyer performance and served as Judge *Pro Tem* of the Maricopa County Superior Court for over 24 years. He recently served as a member of the Income Issues Workgroup recommending revisions to the Arizona Child Support Guidelines. He has been AV rated (Pre-eminent 5.0 out of 5) by Martindale-Hubbell Law Directory for 26 years. In 2019 and 2022 he served as critical observer/presenter at the AAML Trial Colleges in both Pima and Maricopa Counties. He has been lead counsel and/or written briefs for at least 71 appeals. He recently had published a comprehensive law review article, "Rule 69 and Family Law Settlement Agreements: When is a Deal a Deal," 6 ACCORD, Prac. Legal J. 147 (2017) and re-published a PowerPoint presentation on the "15 Symptoms of an Unhealthy Marriage" in an effort to strengthen marriage relationships. A native of Utah, he received his B.A. Degree in English (1973) and J.D. Degree (1976) from the University of Utah College of Law. He is an equity Partner who has been in private practice with the East Valley law firm of Udall Shumway his entire 47-year career. He has presented 17 straight years at the Family Law Institute and has also presented for the Arizona Psychological Association (AzPA), National Business Institute, Arizona/Southwest Divorce Conferences, Maricopa County Bar Association, Halfmoon Education and Lormar Education Services. For the first 12-15 years of his career he practiced complex tort litigation, including products liability and medical malpractice cases, and was lead counsel in 12 jury trials. He authored, "*Strict Liability: Recovery for Damage to the Defective Product Itself*," 18 Arizona Bar Journal 18 (1982). He assisted the Supreme Court Committee on Examinations as writer and grader of bar examination questions for 7 years. He is also an active member of the Utah State Bar and practices there as well as in Arizona.