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EDUCATION

Bluefield State College, B.S., Business Administration

LAW SCHOOL

Northern Kentucky University Salmon P. Chase College of Law, J.D., 2011

BAR ADMISSIONS

Commonwealth of Kentucky
State of Ohio

AREAS OF PRACTICE

Family Law & Domestic Relations
Personal Client Services
Prenuptial Agreements and Family Law

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Children's Law Center
Legal Aid Society of Southwest Ohio
Kentucky Child Support Guidelines Review
Commission - Child Advocate Representative

After graduating magna cum laude with her Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Bluefield State College, Emily spent a year working in London, UK as a Business Consultant where she met the recruitment needs of global businesses and jobseekers throughout Europe, Africa and Australia. She moved to Kentucky in 2007 to attend Northern Kentucky University Salmon P. Chase College of Law, where she earned her Juris Doctorate in 2011.

Emily M. Cochran has been with Mark A. Ogle Family Law practice as an associate attorney, office manger or combination of the two for the past five years. In April 2013, desirous of practicing family law yet wanting to learn from the best, Emily reached out to Mark while she was awaiting her results from the Kentucky Bar Exam and convinced him to bring her onboard. He has been her mentor and friend ever since. Emily worked for Mark for two years, then decided to pursue her passion for representing the "good guys" in high conflict custody cases - the children. She joined Children's Law Center, Inc. (CLC) as a Staff Attorney/Guardian ad Litem in March 2015, where she provided legal representation to children and youth throughout the Northern Kentucky region, primarily focusing on high conflict child custody cases, education law, and KRS 26A.140 criminal sexual and physical abuse cases where the alleged victim was a minor child. During this time, she also continued to manage the client and office accounts at Mark A. Ogle Family Practice, as well as prepared appellate briefs for various family law attorneys in Northern Kentucky and Cincinnati on a contract basis. In July 2017, she returned to Mark A. Ogle Family Law Practice as a Senior Associate, expanding the practice to cover Domestic Relations matters in Ohio.

Emily has nearly fifteen years of experience working in law firms either as a litigation paralegal, law clerk, or associate attorney. She enjoys presenting at CLEs in Ohio and NKY on custody matters, child rights, and education law. She has volunteered for Legal Aid Society of Southwest Ohio as a Guardian ad Litem in dependency, neglect and abuse cases, and continues to stay involved with the Children's Law Center, including heading the Pro Se Custody Clinic she helped develop through a grant while at CLC that is being used as a pilot project in two counties before it is

rolled out throughout the remainder of the State. Emily was recently appointed by Governor Bevin to serve as the Child Advocate representative on the Kentucky Child Support Guidelines Review Commission.

Although Emily loves being back in private practice, she considers herself to be a lifetime child advocate. She takes great pride in being able to help clients keep the focus on the children throughout the divorce and custody process. Moreover, as the mother of a brilliant and radiant little boy with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), Emily has increasingly been asked to serve as a consultant in collaborative divorces involving children with special needs. Emily is also very passionate about Medicaid reform so that Medicaid Waivers are made more accessible to special needs children and their families. She has helped guide many clients and families throughout the (unfortunately) very difficult process of obtaining the appropriate services and accommodations children are entitled to receive under the law.

Emily lives in Northern Kentucky with her son, Roman, and partner, Jason. In her spare time, she enjoys juggling their three children (ages 3, 4 and 5) between the two of them - going to parks, libraries, church, and having family fun days at the zoo, museums and aquarium. Emily also loves yoga, Etsy, gardening, traveling, and going to wine bars, flea markets, and concerts.