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### *Areas of Practice*

Estates & Trusts, Family Law, Insurance Defense, Maritime & Transportation, Nonprofits



Fred Kobb is a litigator at heart. He first joined Wright, Constable & Skeen over 25 years ago to defend the firm's railroad clients in serious personal injury cases. His practice quickly expanded into the family law area, where he applied his negotiation and litigation skills to zealously advocate on behalf of individuals whose families were undergoing a life-changing event. Today, Fred divides his practice between defending individuals, companies and non-profits in personal injury lawsuits and advocating for wives, husbands, and sometimes even children involved in divorce, custody and other family law proceedings.

Fred is equally comfortable trying a case before a judge or a jury and participating in the mediation of a family law dispute. In both instances, he brings his considerable experience in the courtroom, knowledge of the law, practical-minded judgment, and insight into the client's needs to bear on his role as both an advocate and a problem solver.

As a partner at an established general practice law firm, Fred has access to first-rate lawyers with years of experience in many different areas of the law that he can bring to bear in his litigation and family law practices. For instance, Wright, Constable & Skeen attorneys practice in the areas of real estate, business, trusts and estates, bankruptcy and human resources. The firm's multidisciplinary support staff and quality litigation associates give Fred the ability to involve the best people for a particular case and to handle any matter in a cost-effective manner.

While the lawyers at Wright, Constable and Skeen are some of the most highly regarded in their chosen practice areas, they provide clients with unmatched value in legal services. When one has to choose the right lawyer they can be sure that by selecting Wright Constable & Skeen they will get outstanding *and* affordable talent. Fred is no exception to this rule.

Fred is highly respected among his peers and is often asked to share his knowledge and experience with lawyers and other professionals. He has presented to business groups, local bar associations, and judicial institutes.

### *Selected Professional Affiliations*

- Bar Association of Baltimore City; Past Chair Family Law Section
- Baltimore County Bar Association, Member Family Law Section
- Maryland State Bar Association, Member Family and Juvenile Law Section

- American Bar Association, Member Family Law Section
- National Association of Railroad Trial Counsel, Member
- The Harmonie Group, Member

### *Community Activities*

- Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service, Board Member and Strategic Planning Committee Member and Volunteer (Pro Bono work)
- Baltimore City Circuit Court Settlement Program Mediator
- Beth El Congregation, Board Member
- Maryland Women’s Law Center, Member and Volunteer

### *Articles/Publications*

- Family Law Counts™, *Maryland Family Law Information for Clients & Professionals*
- Co-Author: “Sorting Out The Financial Interests of Unmarried Couples,” WC&S Viewpoints (Summer/Fall 2011).
- Author, “Gambling for Alimony Dollars”, 2009
- Author, “Grandparents Visitation Revisited”, 2008
- Author, “A Primer on Framing a Divorce Case”, American Bar Association, Litigation, 2006
- Author, “What Does it Take for a Non-Parent to Win Custody?”, 2006
- Author, “Maintaining Health Care Coverage After Divorce”, 2001
- Author, “Wave Goodbye to Grandparent Visitation”, 2000
- Author, “When is it Appropriate to Modify Child Support?”, 1997
- Author, “Joint Tax Return and the Innocent Spouse”, 1996
- Author, “Divorce and Marital Assets”, 1996
- Author, “Business Valuation in Divorce: Nature of Goodwill”, 1995

### *Selected Presentations*

- Presenter, National Business Institute (NBI): Find it Free and Fast on the Net, 2014
- Guest Lecturer, University of Baltimore School of Law (Family Law)
- Presenter, Maryland Institute for Continuing Professional Education of Lawyers, Inc. (“MICPEL”)
- Guest Lecturer, Social Work and the Law, University of Maryland School of Social Work
- Presenter, National Business Institute (“Advanced Issues in Custody and Support”)
- Judicial Institute of Maryland – The Legal Rights of Unmarried Couples: What Law Applies

### *Recognitions*

- **Maryland Super Lawyers®**, for Family Law, 2012-2015
- Lawyer Frederick Kobb | Top Attorney Family

### *Education*

- Cornell University B.S., 1978
- Cornell University J.D., 1985

### *Bar Admissions*

- Maryland Bar
- United States District Court, District of Maryland
- United States Court of Appeals, 4th Circuit