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Mary C. Huff primarily practices domestic relations, but also general civil litigation, in Northern Virginia, the District of Columbia, and Maryland at Blankingship & Keith, P.C., in Fairfax, Virginia.

Mary utilizes a client-centric approach and focuses on assisting clients to obtain solutions for their unique family law situations. Mary practices all areas of family law including divorce, child custody, child support, spousal support, modification actions, termination actions, appeals, protective orders, retirement orders, and the drafting and negotiation of various agreements, including prenuptial agreements or premarital agreements. Mary is comfortable resolving matters through all legal avenues to deliver the right results for her clients.

Mary is admitted to practice law in the Commonwealth of Virginia, the District of Columbia, and Maryland. Continually recognized by her peers, Mary has been named a Virginia Super Lawyers Rising Star and a District of Columbia Super Lawyers Rising Star in 2020, 2019, 2017 and 2016.

Mary is an active member of the Fairfax County Bar Association, currently serving as the Family Law Section Co-Chair and a moderator of continuing legal education seminars. Mary previously served as a Director of the Young Lawyers Section, volunteer coordinator for the annual Fairfax Law Foundation 5K Race, the chair of the 2019 Color of Justice Program, and as a mentor for the Northern Virginia Pro Bono Law Center. Mary is also a member of the Virginia Trial Lawyers Association, the Virginia Bar Association, the District of Columbia Bar Association, the Women's Bar Association of the District of Columbia, and the Montgomery County Bar Association.

Mary is a graduate of the American University Washington College of Law and the University of North Carolina, holding Bachelor of Arts degrees in Psychology and Political Science.

Practice Areas

- Family Law

Education

- The American University Washington College of Law (2010)
- The University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill (*Dean's List*, 2007)

Bar Admissions

- Virginia State Bar, 2011
- District of Columbia, 2011
- Maryland State Bar, 2010

Professional Honors & Activities

Professional Honors

- *Virginia Lawyers Weekly*, Go To Lawyer - Family Law (2024)
- *U.S. News - Best Lawyers in America*, Family Law (2024-2025) *Super Lawyers*, Rising Stars: Family Law, DC & Virginia (2016-2017 & 2019-2020)
- *Super Lawyers*, Super Lawyer: Virginia (2022-2024)
- *Virginia Business Magazine*, Legal Elite: Young Lawyers (2021-2024)
- *Arlington Magazine*, Top Attorneys: Family Law (2021-2024)

Professional Activities

Fairfax Bar Association

- President's Award for Service to the Bar (2022).
- Board of Directors, Director (2021 - present).
- Family Law Section, Co-Chair (2016 - present).
- 2021 FBA Convention Planning Committee (2021).
- Young Lawyers Division, Board Member (2014 - 2019), Secretary (2015 - 2016).
- Chair, Color of Justice Program (2019).
- Judicial Screening Committee (Member: 2020 - present, Alternate: 2018 - 2019).

Fairfax Law Foundation

- Fairfax Law Foundation 5K Race, Volunteer Coordinator (2015-2019).

- Fairfax Law Foundation 5K Race, Volunteer Course Marshal (2022-2024).

Northern Virginia Pro Bono Law Center

- Volunteer mentor (2017).

Northern Virginia Black Attorneys' Association

- Planning Committee, Color of Justice Program (2020).

Northern Virginia Women Attorneys Association

- Planning Committee, Color of Justice Program (2022).

Asian Pacific American Bar Association of Virginia

- Volunteer, Color of Justice Program (2024).

Representative Cases

- Moore v. Moore, 2020 WL 6277427 (2020)
- Levick v. MacDougall, 294 Va. 283, 805 S.E.2d 775 (2017)
- MacDougall v. Levick, 66 Va. App. 50, 782 S.E.2d 182 (2016)

Seminar Presentations And Publications

Authored Continuing Legal Education (CLE) Materials

- Blankingship & Keith CLE: "Preparing Witnesses for Deposition." (2022).
- Blankingship & Keith CLE: "Navigating Difficult Case Circumstances (Opposing Counsel and Clients)." (2022).
- Fairfax Bar Association CLE: "Throwing Darts!? Unique Issues in Support Cases." (2021). Authored Tax Portion of Materials; Presented.
- Fairfax Bar Association CLE: "Court Updates." (2021). Compiled all materials.
- Fairfax Bar Association CLE: "Private Investigators CLE: How They Can Make or Break Your Case." (2019) – Authored Domestic Relations Portion of Materials.
- Virginia State Bar Annual Conference CLE: "Lawyer Feud." (2018) – Authored Ethics Portion of Materials.

Moderator at Continuing Legal Education (CLE) Courses

- Fairfax Bar Association CLE: “Handling Retirement Division in Family Cases.” (2022).
- Fairfax Bar Association CLE: “What to Do When Things Go Wrong in Family Law Appeals.” (2022).
- Fairfax Bar Association CLE: “Introduction to Special Education Law: Beyond the ABC’s and 123’s.” (2021).
- Fairfax Bar Association CLE: “Premarital Agreements and Post-Execution Conduct.” (2021).
- Fairfax Bar Association CLE: “Premarital Agreements: A Primer on Estate Planning and Tax Provisions.” (2021).
- Fairfax Bar Association CLE: “Child Custody Relocation Cases (International Considerations and Use of Experts).” (2020).
- Fairfax Bar Association CLE: “View from the Bench.” (2019).
- Fairfax Bar Association CLE: “To Object or Not to Object – That is the Question When Responding to Discovery in Family Law Cases.” (2019).
- Fairfax Bar Association CLE: “Intro to Cryptocurrency and Blockchain: Technology, Financial and Legal Basics for Attorneys.” (2019).
- Fairfax Bar Association CLE: “Avoiding, Filing, and Defending Rules to Show Cause in Family Law Cases.” (2018).
- Blankingship & Keith CLE: “Intro to Crypto: Technology, Financial and Legal Basics for Attorneys.” (2018).
- Fairfax Bar Association CLE: “What’s Hot In Digital Forensics for Family Lawyers?” (2018).
- Fairfax Bar Association CLE: “How the New Tax Reform Law Will Affect Your Divorce Clients.” (2018).
- Fairfax Bar Association CLE: “Special Needs Planning and Divorce.” (2017).
- Fairfax Bar Association CLE: “Tax Issues in Family Law Cases.” (2017).
- Fairfax Bar Association CLE: “Domestic Relations in the DMV: The Basics of Family Law in the District of Columbia and Maryland, Compared with Virginia.” (2017).

Community Service

- Color of Justice Program – Planning Committee (2020), Chair (2019)
- Volunteer coordinator for the Fairfax Law Foundation Heroes v. Villains annual 5K race (2015 – 2019)

News & Insights

- Blankingship & Keith Attorneys Recognized Among Virginia Business Magazine’s Legal Elite
- Eleven Blankingship & Keith Attorneys Recognized as Top Attorneys in Arlington Magazine’s 2024 List
- Twenty-Seven Blankingship & Keith Attorneys Shine in the 2025 Edition of Best Lawyers in America
- Twenty Blankingship & Keith, P.C. Attorneys Named Virginia Super Lawyers and Rising Stars for 2024
- Blankingship & Keith Attorneys Shine as “Legal Elite” in Virginia Business Magazine’s 2023 Rankings
- Thirteen Blankingship & Keith Attorneys Recognized as Top Attorneys by Arlington Magazine
- Twenty-two Blankingship & Keith Attorneys Shine in the 2024 Edition of Best Lawyers in America
- Blankingship & Keith, P.C. Attorneys Named Virginia Super Lawyers and Rising Stars for 2023
- 20 Blankingship & Keith Attorneys Named “Legal Elite” by Virginia Business Magazine