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#### **OVERVIEW**

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Megan Monsour knew in law school that she wanted to help build families through adoption. After over a decade of representing families in adoption, collaborative reproduction and foster care, she has finalized hundreds of adoptions and secured parental rights for families all over the nation and abroad.

Megan Monsour's experience and compassion make her uniquely qualified to represent adoptive parents, biological parents, surrogates and donors with the respect and understanding they deserve. She has significant experience in both independent and private adoptions, including offering services that match prospective adoptive parents with expectant mothers.

She also represents families in guardianships, contested adoption matters and other child permanency litigation.

Before joining the partnership at Hinkle Law Firm in 2019, she was a partner at Martin Pringle for six years. Megan's work on behalf of families has earned her fellowship status in the Academy of Adoption and Assisted Reproduction Attorneys, a designation that is by invitation only and based on criteria for excellence in the practice of adoption and collaborative reproduction law. She has been recognized as a Super Lawyer Rising Star.

If you are a hopeful adoptive family or expectant mother, please visit our adoption website at <u>www.adoption-kansas.com</u> to learn more.

#### **PRACTICE AREAS**

> Adoption & Surrogacy

### EDUCATION

> University of Kansas, School of Law, J.D., 2003
 - With Honors

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Pittsburg State University, B.A., 2004
 Cum Laude

### BAR ADMISSIONS

- > Kansas Supreme Court
- > United States District Court, District of Kansas
- > Missouri Supreme Court

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## PRESENTATIONS

- Protecting Legal Parentage in LGBTQ+ Community: Options in the Post-Roe Era. Webinar July 2022.
- Adoption Case Law Update. Guardian Ad Litem Training. Lawrence, Kansas December 2011.

## AFFILIATIONS

- Academy of Adoption and Assisted Reproduction Attorneys, Fellow
- Kansas Bar Association
- Board of Governors
- Wichita Bar Association

   Estate Planning and Probate, Past Co-Chair
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- Kansas Women Attorneys Association
- Wichita Chamber of Commerce Diversity and Inclusion Committee
- Kansas Super Lawyers Rising Star
   2011, 2013 Present
- Wichita Business Journal '40 Under 40'
- 2020
- Best Lawyers
  - Family Law

## PUBLICATIONS

- Chapter 18 Revisions: Adoptions Under Kansas Law. Kansas Bar Association. 2022.
- Are you Trying for a Girl? Gender Specificity and Adoption. Wichita Mom's Blog, August 2019.
- Contested Adoption: One Day at a Time. Wichita Mom's Blog, May 2019.
- Say What? Navigating the Language of Adoption. Wichita Mom's Blog, February 2019.
- I Believe in Adoption: A Reflection for National Adoption Month. Wichita Moms Blog, November 2018.
- Adoption Home Study 411. Wichita Moms Blog, May 2018.
- Step-Parent Adoption: 5 Things You Need to Know. Wichita Moms Blog, January 2018.
- The Cost of Adoption: Three Things You Need to Know. Wichita Moms Blog, September 2017.
- Hamilton, the Adoption Tax Credit, and You. Wichita Moms Blog, June 2017.
- 3 Things You Didn't Know About Surrogacy. Wichita Moms Blog, May 2017.
- Adoption: Leading with Love. Wichita Moms Blog, April 2017.
- A Forever Kind of Love. Wichita Moms Blog, March 2017.
- Chapter 18 Revision: Adoptions Under Kansas Law. Kansas Bar Association. 2016.
- You Gotta Have Faith. Wichita Moms Blog, January 2016.
- 6 Things Not to Say to Adoptive Families. Wichita Moms Blog, October 2016.
- Open Adoption: Your Child Will Thank You. Wichita Moms Blog, November 2015.





