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Overview

Dana Blaustein graduated from Rutgers College in 1980 and Rutgers University School of Law in 1983. In 1984, after serving as law clerk to the Honorable Isiah Steinberg, JSC (retired), she postponed her entry into law practice to begin raising a family. In 1988, she took a job with the Atlantic County Prosecutor's Office where she served for 25 ½ years as Assistant Prosecutor, Supervising Assistant Prosecutor and Chief Assistant Prosecutor under the name Dana Litke.

During her tenure with Atlantic County, she investigated and prosecuted a myriad of cases ranging from harassment to homicide, and gained a solid foundation of criminal law, procedure, and evidence. In 1998, she formed the Domestic Violence Section for the Office. The Prevention of Domestic Violence Act in New Jersey had recently been enacted, and Dana prepared procedures and courses to instruct attorneys and police officers with the new approach to dealing with victims of domestic violence. This expertise gives Dana the strong ability to analyze and argue domestic violence cases for both plaintiffs and defendants.

In addition to this vast experience in criminal law and domestic violence, Dana worked for a general practice firm in Chadds Ford, PA from 2015 to 2017, and later for a boutique family law firm in Linwood, NJ from 2017 to 2019. There she gained considerable experience in family law issues as they relate to domestic violence contracts and civil restraints.

She has been with Helmer, Conley & Kasselmann, PA since July 2019 representing clients on both sides of the domestic violence litigation. While Dana has long championed the rights of victims with care and compassion, she sometimes finds that plaintiffs abuse the system and use it to evict men from their homes and keep them from their children. Dana vigorously defends these cases, and has successfully represented defendants, including police officers, who face serious ramifications to their careers when a temporary restraining order is in force.

Dana has handled hundreds of domestic violence cases, and is eager to help clients at Helmer, Conley & Kasselmann, PA.