



## Andrea Cooley Counsel

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Called to the Bar of Ontario, 2002

### About

Andrea C. Cooley has over 15 years of family law experience. Her practice encompasses all areas of family law including property division, child support and spousal support issues, custody, joint custody, access, Children's Aid Society proceedings, negotiation of separation agreements, marriage contracts, parenting agreements, surrogacy agreements and more.

Andrea was born in Montreal, Quebec and raised north of Toronto in the Unionville area. Andrea received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology from Western University in 1995. She earned her Bachelor of Laws degree from Western University in 2001.

Andrea truly enjoys her work. She is sensitive to the needs of her clients, which in the case of Family law are quite unique and sometimes pose special challenges. It is a top priority to provide cost effective, reasonable legal advice to her clients. This requires identifying strategies for moving forward towards a resolution that

is appropriate for their circumstances. Court can be very costly and stressful. Andrea will assist you in determining the best way to proceed, whether it be by way of negotiation of a separation agreement, mediation or Court. There are options available.

Andrea's community involvement includes being a past board member of Youth Opportunities Unlimited, volunteering at her church, as well as being a member of the Legal Aid Ontario Area Committee.

### Education

Western University, B.A.

Western University, LL.B.

### Memberships and Associations

- Superior Court of Justice (Family Court Branch) Dispute Resolution Officer, 2017
- London and Middlesex High Conflict Forum, Board Member since 2016

- Legal Aid Ontario Area Committee, Member since 2010
- Middlesex Family Lawyers' Association, Executive since 2015, Member since 2002
- Elgin Law Association, Member
- Middlesex Law Association, Member since 2002

### **Publications and Speaking**

In November 2017, Andrea attended Western Law's Access to Justice class as a panel member to discuss the issue of access to justice in family law.

### **Community Involvement**

- Legal Aid Ontario Area Committee, Member
- London and Middlesex High Conflict Forum, Board Member
- Church volunteer
- Youth Opportunities Unlimited, Former Board Member