

SPECIAL PROMOTION



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Virginia native Lionel (Chip) Hernholm has loved law since high school...when he first aspired to work for the Commonwealth Attorney's Office. After completing an undergraduate degree at the University of Virginia, he went through the Marine Corps OSC program, which brought him to California. Here he met his future wife, Janna, a longtime Californian, who without much effort convinced him to stay. He went on to attend law school in San Diego and to pass the California bar. Fast forward to today, and the award winning attorney—as the head of Procopio's Family Law Practice Group—has developed a reputation for working tirelessly to prevent family law matters from becoming consumed in litigation. "Having other attorneys know you are always prepared to go to court helps keep our clients from having to do so," says Hernholm, who enjoys working on challenging cases—from those with multi-country jurisdiction issues, to complex property and income issues. "Working through the layers of facts and finding and applying the correct law to those facts is always a process I find rewarding," he says. When asked about his biggest accomplishment to date, he responded: "Resolving an extremely complex, very high-asset (\$700 million) case in less than 30 days." No wonder he's received so many accolades—from *Best Lawyers in America* awards to *Martindale-Hubbell's Client Distinction Award*, just to name a couple. "In my view, one's reputation is derived from having the expertise and skills to handle every type of family law case," he says, "and a willingness to take on every challenge family law can bring."

"As a practice group, I sincerely believe that there is no finer group of family lawyers in any law firm in San Diego."

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