



## Paul T. Tusch

PAUL T. TUSCH HAS BEEN ACCEPTED as a Fellow of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers. The AAML was founded in 1962 with the stated goal of providing “leadership that promotes the highest degree of professionalism and excellence in the practice of family law.” There are approximately 1,650 Academy Fellows in the United States, and only 31 Fellows in the State of Connecticut.

The requirements for acceptance as a Fellow are rigorous, and include the submission of a lengthy application, obtaining references from attorneys and judges, passing national and state-specific tests, and going through an interview process. To apply for membership, an applicant must have a minimum of ten years experience practicing law and must have concentrated at least seventy-five percent of his or her practice on family law for the last five years.

According to the AAML website, <http://aaml.org/>, the admission standards include “having substantial trial experience as lead counsel including

trial of custody matters, child support, division of property, alimony or spousal support.” The applicant is also expected to “be willing to and capable of settling cases in appropriate circumstances.”

Paul is a founding member of our firm, and is the chair of its Family Law Practice Group. The Group consists of four attorneys and two legal assistants, each of whom devotes up to 100% of his or her time to the practice of family law. The Group prides itself as a team of high caliber professionals who are hardworking, dedicated and sensitive to the needs of their clients.

Paul has achieved an AV rating from his peers as reported in Martindale-Hubbell. The AV rating is awarded to those attorneys whose peers rank him or her at the highest level of professional excellence. He has also been recognized by his peers as a Super Lawyer as reported in Connecticut Magazine, since 2006. The Super Lawyer designation is the result of a survey conducted of approximately 13,000 active Connecticut lawyers, culminating in the selection of the top 5% in the state.

Paul has served on the Executive Committee of the Connecticut Bar Association Family Law Section, including serving one term as that Section’s Chair. He lectures regularly for the CBA and other Bar organizations on topics related to family law. He has served as a Special Master in family courts throughout the state, including those in Stamford and Bridgeport, as well as at the Regional Family Trial Court in Middletown.

He has completed all of the mandatory training required by the State of Connecticut to serve as a Guardian ad Litem and as an attorney for minor children in Connecticut courts.

For more information on Paul, the Family Law Practice Group at Cacace, Tusch & Santagata, and the firm in general, please see our website at <http://www.lawcts.com/>

