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FAMILY LAW & DOMESTIC RELATIONS

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BAR ADMISSIONS

- Virginia

EDUCATION

- **J.D.**

The Pennsylvania State University, 2007
The Dickenson School of Law

- **B.A.**

The Pennsylvania State University, 2004

AREAS OF CONCENTRATION

- Divorce
- Custody & Visitation
- Relocation
- Child Support
- Alimony/Spousal Support
- Equitable Distribution of Property
- Separation Agreement
- Premarital & Postnuptial Agreements
- Property Settlement Agreements
- Military Pensions
- Retirement and Pensions
- Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Act (UCCJA)
- Qualified Domestic Relations Orders
- Name Changes
- Domestic Related Criminal Proceedings
- Protective Orders
- Paternity

During what is arguably the most impactful time in any person's life, Northern Virginia divorce attorney Kristina Cruz Skidmore carefully guides her clients through their family law matters with zealous advocacy and compassionate listening. Kristina ensures the best outcome for her clients by combining her legal experience with her client's individual, personal objectives while keeping her clients informed as active participants throughout the process. What results is a client-attorney relationship based on mutual trust, an effective legal strategy that efficiently pursues the client's needs and wishes and a shared stake in reaching a positive outcome.

From helping clients to understand, navigate and reconcile issues involving child custody, property division, dividing businesses or property transfers to being a zealous and dogged advocate in high-conflict cases, Kristina takes a transparent, conciliatory approach to marital and family dispute resolutions. While out-of-court resolution is always her preferred outcome and initial goal for any client, Kristina advocates with poise, passion and legal acumen in the courtroom when settlement is not possible.

AWARDS

- 2022, *Virginia Lawyers Weekly*, The Influential Women of Law Award
- 2020-2022, *The Best Lawyers in America*® - Family Law
- 2015-2022, *Virginia Super Lawyers* — *Rising Star* — Family Law
- 2015-2022, *Washington D.C. Super Lawyers* — *Rising Star* — Family Law
- 2015, *Virginia Business* magazine "Legal Elite " — Young Lawyer (under 40)
- 2018, *Latino Leaders* magazine — Top Latino Lawyer
- 2014, *Lawyers of Color's* Second Annual Hot List

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

- Will Spousal Support Ever End in Virginia? (June 16, 2016)
- Same-Sex Virginia Couples Can Freely Marry, Adopt (October 13, 2014)
- IRA Rollover Trap (in Divorce Cases) (August 11, 2014)
- Burden of Proof in Virginia Divorce Cases - Separate vs. Marital Property (April 7, 2014)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Virginia Bar Association
- Fairfax Bar Association, Young Lawyers Section