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ATTORNEY ALAN S. ROSENTHAL, the creator of **DIVORCE FOR MEN®**, has 19 years of experience in all aspects of family law, focusing on men's rights in a divorce. He works closely with his clients throughout the entire legal process. Alan analyzes the merits of each case, evaluating the significant facts and law, and develops a strategy. He fights for his clients' rights ethically, fairly and professionally. His areas of concentration include contested & uncontested divorces, marital settlement agreements, property distribution, child support, child custody/time-sharing, paternity actions, alimony, modification proceedings, contempt proceedings, domestic violence and premarital agreements, as well as bankruptcy.

Quality customer service is of the utmost importance to the firm, and clients can expect Alan & his team to be courteous, personable, responsive and effective. Count on them to communicate quickly and professionally. Outside of his professional foray, Alan is a woodworker, musician & martial artist, and is active in community organizations & social services. [Visit: www.divorcesformen.com](http://www.divorcesformen.com)

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Jim concentrates his legal practice in the areas of civil litigation, divorce & family law, wills & trusts, estates, estate planning, personal injury, partner agreements & mediation. He has 35 years of experience, and holds an undergraduate degree in economics from Rider University. He has been a member of the St. Petersburg City Council since 2007 and is the Chair of the Budget, Finance & Taxation Committee, as well as Chair of the Investment Oversight Committee. Jim has chosen to practice in a small firm setting because he is committed to delivering quality legal services in a responsive & cost-effective manner. At his office, your legal needs will be given the personal attention from an experienced attorney. He will work closely with you to understand your concerns and to achieve the best results. [Visit: www.jrklaw.com](http://www.jrklaw.com)

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Evelyn has been with the firm 39 years and Tiffany for 14 years. Services include the preparation of wills, trusts, powers of attorney, and advanced directives as well as the administration of estates and trusts. Evelyn's background as a teacher and Tiffany's background as a social worker helps them educate, advise and support their clients with legal documents to provide a cohesive plan of care during and after the aging and dying process. With the help of caring assistants Sharron & Char, the firm is known for their warmth, kindness and effectiveness. They meet with clients at home or in facilities.

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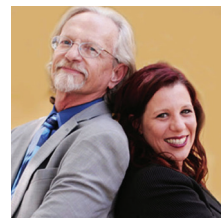


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Ernest has been practicing since 1971 and is AV Rated by Martindale-Hubbell. He is known for delivering practical, ethical and effective legal representation with a mindset towards achieving resolution before litigation. His practice includes property distribution, spousal support, child custody, child support, paternity and a number of other related family claims. Ernest does not adhere to the "one size fits all" approach. Legal services are tailored to meet the needs of each family, in an effort to reach a peaceful solution while still aggressively protecting his client's rights.

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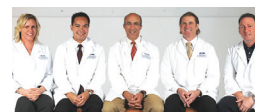
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Attorneys James C. Runyon and Anastasia C. Jaster at the **THEMIS LAW GROUP, LLP** address divorce-related problems in a sensitive and creative manner, providing accessible, effective and affordable legal representation.

Initially, James & Anastasia make an effort to stabilize their client's emotional and financial situation. This typically requires obtaining temporary court orders concerning child custody, support and the allocation of debt responsibility. They realize that it is often in the children's best interest to settle the divorce, rather than have the parties continually battle in court. However, they balance that need with the overriding commitment to what their client believes to be a fair and equitable dissolution of their marriage. Services include Guardian Ad Litem, family law mediation and LGBTQ (including adoptions & prenuptial agreements). Focused on the community, they offer value-based billing with predictable fees & set rates, based on family income & stage of litigation. *Additionally, the firm will sponsor a Pride charity event on June 25 for LoveTheGoldenRule.com. See their Facebook page for more info.*

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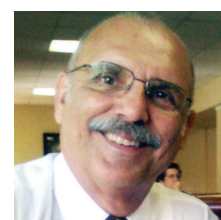


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