

An aerial, high-angle view of a dense urban skyline, likely New York City, featuring numerous skyscrapers and buildings. The image is in grayscale and has a dark, semi-transparent overlay. The text is centered over the image.

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Palimony is the term used to describe the settlement of assets when an unmarried, cohabiting couple ends their relationship. It usually is based on verbal or written agreements made during the course of the relationship. Today, only the states of Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Delaware, Florida, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Maryland, Minnesota, Nevada, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Texas, Utah & Vermont have Palimony.

Fact: Palimony is NOT Family Law. For example, in the State of California Palimony was established in *Marvin v. Marvin* ((1976) 18 Cal.3d 660), where the California Supreme Court ruled that agreements between unmarried couples can be enforced, stating: “[A]dults who voluntarily live together and engage in sexual relations are nonetheless as competent as any other persons to contract respecting their earnings and property rights. . . . So long as the agreement does not rest upon illicit meretricious consideration, the parties may order their economic affairs as they choose, and no policy precludes the courts from enforcing such agreements.” (18 Cal.3d at 674-675.) This decision has given rise to decades of litigation between former unmarried cohabitants.

It is also a fact that the numbers of marriages in the United States continues to drop, and today less people are getting married. Thus, there are now more unmarried couples than married couples, and very few of them have written **Cohabitation Agreements** which could prevent or limit Palimony Lawsuits.

Fun Fact: Cohabitation Agreements is a service covered by all Syndicate Subscription Legal Plans!

ABOUT OUR MANAGING PARTNER

Mr. Steven Mueller is a Lawyer, Co-Founder & Senior Managing Partner of **Syndicate Legal Services** (www.SteveMuellerLegal.com). Mr. Mueller has more than twenty-five years of Law Office experience, including (but not limited to) 20 years of experience in Corporate & Investment Banking Law; 15 years of experience in Civil Litigation; 5 years of experience in person injury law, family law, and employment law; and 3 years of experience in Criminal Defense Law.

Mr. Mueller is a true pioneer in the Private and Public Capital Markets industry with more than twenty years of industry experience. Mr. Mueller has extensive experience in Alternative Trading Systems and Stock Exchange Legal & Compliance, structuring private and public securities offerings, and coordinating both public and private securities offerings through a syndicate network of FINRA Registered Broker Dealers, Investment Banks and Registered Investment Advisors. As of today, Mr. Mueller has participated approximate 200 IPOs and Rule 144A Equity Offerings, and nearly 2,500 capital markets transactions.

In addition, Mr. Mueller has completed the following courses: BA in Corporate Finance w/ Minor in Accounting (South Carolina); Law School (California Southern Law School); Three Years Law Office Study Program (LA Law, Beverly Hills); Paralegal & Advanced Paralegal Studies Certificates; FINRA series 6, 65 & 7; California Insurance (Property & Casualty, Life & Health, Commercial, Annuity, Earthquake, Flood & Long-Term Care); California Real Estate Sales; California Residential Mortgage; and California Bail Bonds. Mr. Mueller is also a United States Marine Corps Veteran (95-99, honorable discharge after completion of 4yr. tour of duty).



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