



Building Families Through
Assisted Reproductive Technology

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A successful assisted third party reproductive procedure needs more than a great medical doctor. It also needs a great legal team.

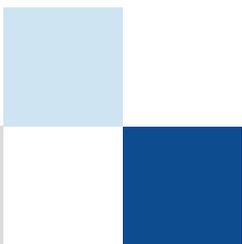
If your family building journey involves egg or sperm donation, embryo donation, or surrogacy, you will need to take legal steps to secure your parental rights. Same sex couples—married or not—face additional challenges due to lingering ambiguities in Michigan law even after the U.S. Supreme Court marriage equality decision. These family building techniques require preparation of specialized agreements; court proceedings to declare parental rights and custody and to obtain an appropriate birth certificate; and sometimes adoption proceedings.

At the law firm of Dykema Gossett PLLC, we have a dedicated Assisted Reproductive Technology (ART) team of attorneys, paralegals, and administrative staff to help you navigate the legal landscape. We prepare the appropriate agreements (taking into consideration the laws of other states if not all the parties live in Michigan); review and comment upon service agreements with IVF providers and donor agencies; prepare and file all necessary court proceedings and attend all court hearings; and work with the hospital where the baby will be born to facilitate a smooth birth experience.

We've helped people throughout the state and nationally to work through ART legal issues. We are well known to most IVF clinics and egg donation agencies in Michigan. We strive to deliver excellent legal services in a compassionate and caring environment that puts you first.

About Dykema

Dykema is a leading national law firm with more than 400 attorneys & professionals in fifteen offices throughout the country. Our services cover the legal needs of individuals and businesses. Once your family is created and legally recognized, Dykema will be able to help you take care of important follow-up legal needs to keep your family protected no matter what life brings.



Meet Our Team

Christyn M. Scott

Christyn has worked closely with Joanne over the last several years achieving successful results for Dykema's ART clients. Christyn is an experienced litigator, both at the trial court and appellate level. She is comfortable in the courtroom, and will advocate strenuously for you and your family regardless of bureaucratic or other obstacles. Christyn graduated from Oakland University cum laude in 2001 and from Michigan State University College of Law magna cum laude in 2004, where she received the Dean Charles King Scholarship for her academic performance. Christyn has received several significant awards and recognitions:

- Named as an Up and Coming Lawyer by Michigan Lawyer's Weekly in 2011
- Named as a Rising Star by Michigan Super Lawyers' Magazine from 2013–2016
- Named as a Top Woman Lawyer by Hour Magazine, 2016

Erin C. Holcomb

Erin is a paralegal with more than 20 years' experience with Dykema. Erin is a graduate of Oakland University and attended the Institute for Paralegal Training in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Erin assists with document production and signing, and case management.

Beth Walters

Beth is the administrative glue for the team. Handling scheduling, document management, and preparation of court filings, Beth will be there to help make your Dykema experience as smooth and hassle-free as possible.

Contact Information

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