

# Bar Talk – April 24, 2020

- Emergency/Executive Order updates
  - FM-224: Advisory on Family Matters
- Guest: Bar Counsel Aria Ee, Overseers
- Business-side updates
  - Paycheck Protection Program
  - MSBA
    - Family Law Institute postponed to May 21-22, 2021
    - uplifting message request
    - upcoming guests: Jack Tebbetts on 4/27; Bill Nugent & Jonathan Dunitz on 4/28; Judge Margot Joly on 4/30; Aria Ee on 5/1
- Personal-side updates
  - journal: thankful for health; enjoy the weekend
- Questions/requests: MSBA can liaise – please send to [aarmstrong@mainebar.org](mailto:aarmstrong@mainebar.org)

# FM-224: Advisory on Family Matters

Pursuant to an emergency order issued by the Maine Supreme Judicial Court on March 13, 2020 (revised April 14, 2020), all proceedings in family cases either were prohibited or continued. The Maine Supreme Judicial Court now has authorized certain proceedings in family matters cases to be scheduled and heard. However, these authorized proceedings must be held by telephone or video conference to practice social distancing and fight community spread consistent with federal and state CDC guidance.

# **ETHICS JEOPARDY: COMMUNICATION**

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**THIS PERSON DECIDES WHO  
KEEPS A CLIENT FILE WHEN A  
LAWYER LEAVES HER FIRM**

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**WHO IS THE CLIENT? ASK THE  
CLIENT, DON'T TELL!**

**SEE MRPC 1.15(F) AND PEC  
OPINION #219**