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Welcome to The Quattro Firm

At the Quattro firm, we believe in viewing our client as a whole person as opposed to just a set of legal issues. We believe that in order to be a successful advocate, we must be able to understand the full needs of our clients, not just the legal needs. By using this full understanding, we advocate with compassion.

Meet The Quattro Firm



Nicole McNamara Quattrocchi is the founding member of the Quattro Firm. She is a 2008 Southern Methodist University Law School graduate and a 2004 Wake Forest University Graduate. Nicole is a licensed Texas attorney where her practice involved mostly civil and commercial litigation. Nicole has been licensed in Florida since 2014 and has centered most of her practice on domestic relations law.

Nicole has spent a lot of time volunteering in her legal career whether it be through pro bono cases or through assisting at the Hurricane Katrina Relief Clinic in law school. Nicole believes in viewing the client as a whole person and not just a specific legal issue and therefore has, thus far, taken every case that the firm can handle, regardless of inability to pay. She is a passionate and compassionate attorney who looks forward to working with people across the spectrum of life with all of their legal needs.



Robert J. Fraxedas specializes in Estate and Tax Planning, as well as Estate Administration and Litigation. He is a 2015 University of Miami graduate (LL.M. – Estate Planning) and a 2005 University of Florida graduate (J.D.). Robert has been licensed in Florida since 2006, and currently lives in Boca Raton.

Robert regularly presents seminars on estate planning and probate matters throughout the state of Florida. A former president of Citrus Civitan, Robert believes in donating time and hands-on effort to the less fortunate. He has organized fundraising events for people with congenital disabilities, mentors underprivileged school-age children, and volunteers at homeless shelters. He strongly believes in providing all clients the best legal counsel possible, from highly compensated executives to impoverished individuals.



Jacqueline Lavoie Spence has been a practicing Florida Attorney for 5 years. She was born and raised in Queens, New York and moved to Florida in 2009.

She obtained her law degree from Nova Southeastern University and has a diverse background in many areas of law, but primarily focuses on Family law.



Melanie Bruchet is a 2012 graduate of Mercer University's Walter F. George School of Law in Macon, Georgia, where she received her J.D. and a Certificate in Advanced Legal Writing, Research, and Drafting from Mercer's top rated legal writing program. Melanie served on the Board of Directors for the Stonewall Bar Association of Georgia as well as completed internships at CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) for Children and the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of New Jersey.

Melanie has presented nationally on the subjects of human trafficking and LGBT youth in the juvenile court system. She also co-authored an amicus brief to the Georgia Supreme Court on the issue of post-separation custodial rights and the emotional effect on children of divorced parents. Melanie maintains an active bar license in Georgia and is sworn in to both the Georgia Court of Appeals and the Georgia Supreme Court. A South Florida native, she currently lives in Asheville, North Carolina.

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Maria Kontos obtained her Bachelor of Arts from Florida Atlantic University in 1995. Ms. Kontos has over 16 years of experience working on complex and voluminous civil, criminal and family law cases which involve organizing thousands of documents, discovery and file organization.

Ms. Kontos is intricately involved in the defense of all of the firm's clients' cases and takes great pride in assisting and working toward a favorable outcome in each case.



Sarah Kontos has been working professionally in accounting since 2005. Her experience includes conducting, supervising, and reviewing annual audits, bookkeeping and payroll, and compilations and examinations of the financial records of a wide range of businesses including non-profits, law firms, restaurants, 401(k) plans, and other service industries.

Sarah attended Florida Atlantic University earning her degree in Mathematics and attending an additional two years of studies in Accounting and Business Administration. She is originally from West Palm Beach, FL. She is a supporting member of Compass Lake Worth, United Way and Farm Sanctuary, and she volunteers at various fundraising events for local charities.



Jennifer Mondone is the office manager of the Quattro Firm. Jennifer grew up in upstate New York. She is a graduate of the Ohio State University where she studied financial management and business administration. Since graduating she's lived in North Carolina and settled in Florida for the last 13 years. This is her first job at a law firm but has previously dabbled in the insurance and mortgage industry, most recently in management for restaurants, from start ups to corporate chains and sales.

Jennifer also assisted in co-creating 2 humans which for the last 6 years has been her main focus and accomplishment. She enjoys spending her time with the family, paddle boarding, volunteering at the kids school, movie nights and anything involving wine or mimosas.

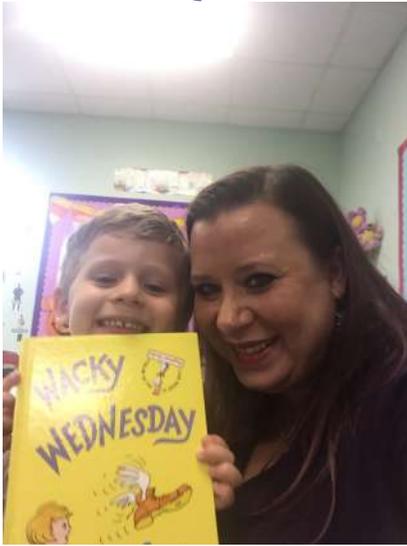


Kristin Fitzpatrick was born in New York, but raised in Florida. Her background is Early Childhood and as much as she loves her field, she also loves learning new things and being a well-rounded person. Her ultimate goal is to finish college where she is currently studying to be a speech-pathologist for children who have special needs.

Kristin is conversational- fluent in American Sign Language, and some Spanish. She enjoys cooking, reading, helping others and traveling. She also loves watching criminal cases/law shows. Kristin cannot wait to learn more about the law and enjoy all of the experience that the Quattro Firm has to give her.

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Nicole participates in "Read for the Record" at Imagination Station



Nicole's family participated in the Rosarian Academy "Spaghetti Dinner" to benefit the school



The St. Edward's Women's Guild's Charitable Works Committee decided to decorate and re-purpose cigar boxes to be donated to various organizations for the holidays.

+ Our Practice Areas

- Family Law & Domestic Relations
 - Marital Contracts
 - Civil Litigation
- Commercial Litigation
- Corporate Matters
- Business Formation
- Contract Drafting & Review
- Family Law Mediation
- General Litigation
- LGBT Issues & Custody
- Estate Planning
- Wills & Trusts
- Probate Litigation
- Probate Administration



Stevie Quattrocchi catches up with Tiberius the Cat at the Canal Animal Clinic

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December Promotion

December is a stressful month of holidays, forced family togetherness and holiday shopping. Why not take a break from all of that stress to tell us a lawyer joke and have the potential to win free legal services of extensive discounts? Everyone enjoys lawyer jokes, even lawyers, so for this month's promotion, we request that you take a minute to laugh and make us laugh too.

Rules: Take a picture of a lawyer pun or related joke or simply type one and post on our Facebook page. You must use the hashtags #lawyerlaughs and #TheQuattroFirm.

The contest starts December 1st and runs through December 31st. Applicants must "like" The Quattro Facebook Page and post the above-described picture, joke or quote.

Prize: The 3 top "liked" photos or messages on our Facebook page by December 31st will win!
1st place: Pro Bono Estate Plan
2nd place: \$150 off your bill
3rd place: Free consultation

We look forward to seeing your sense of humor and enjoying your interpretation!



Nicole poses with Cathy Flagg and Angie McNamara at the St. Edward's Women's Guild's Annual Tea



Nicole teaches Sabrina Quattrocchi about the importance of keeping proper notes and a paper file.

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Nicole met up with, Patricia Lebow, a prominent attorney and co-founder of the charity Kids' Dreams which provides scholarships, opportunities and athletics to economically disadvantaged children in Palm Beach County.



Heather Stohlman, Charles Weiss, Mirka Bolton, Karla Bernstein and Nicole Quattrocchi catch up and network at the IBar to benefit Kids' Dreams.

The Quattro Firm Believes In Female Empowerment

By Nicole McNamara Quattrocchi

Not only is Dr. Carolyn Agresti an award winning surgeon and doctor who is one of the most sought after doctors in South Florida, she's a role model and inspiration to women everywhere that it is possible to have it all.

I had the privilege of meeting Dr. Carolyn when she and her husband moved next door to my parents. As a teenage girl, I marveled at the idea that Dr. Carolyn had managed to have it all: a fulfilling and successful career (complete with advanced degrees), and a husband and family. At the time, I remember looking around at friends who were very concerned with boyfriends and settling down with a husband before a certain age and how frustrated I was by this process. It was then that I spoke to Dr. Carolyn and she said to me, "don't worry about marriage and a family; that will come on it's own. Go for your career because you really only get one shot." I credit the very talented Dr. Agresti for my decision to go right through from college to law school and for the career woman that I am today.



As the health care climate began to change in 2014, Dr. Agresti thought that it might be best to take the plunge and start her own medical practice. She sought the advice of business and accounting professionals. With a lot of courage, intense organization, financial investment and the support of her husband, she opened her own practice.

Dr. Carolyn is an incredibly humble person. Despite the fact that I have sat in her waiting room with people who have driven from all over the state to see her, when I asked what she believes makes her one of the most sought after Ear, Nose and Throat specialists in the country, Dr. Carolyn humbly replied that it was a very kind statement and that she feels that she simply extends professional courtesy and expertise to any and all patients. She does admit that she listens carefully to her patients and exercises a lot of patience, which is of course crucial in the medical profession.

Dr. Carolyn credits her success as a woman in business to her dedicated leadership with her small practice where she leads her team of clinical and administrative staff members. She credits her team with her



**"Don't compromise yourself. You're all you've got.
There is no yesterday, no tomorrow, it's all the
same day."**

—Janis Joplin

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success and states that she could not provide the level of care provided and sought after by her patients without the secretaries, medical assistants, the biller and the Chief Operations Officer behind her to ensure that she complies with the immense present healthcare regulations. As a woman in business, Dr. Carolyn works hard to stay current on the budgetary considerations and to keep reviewing her data to make necessary financial adjustments.

For Dr. Carolyn, when we asked about her favorite part of being a woman in the medical field, she discussed the unfortunate lack of women in the surgical specialties. When times get particularly tough, Dr. Carolyn says that they often joke that she should've become a dermatologist. Dr. Carolyn thinks this is because of the demanding hours and the need to be on call for emergencies. As a female surgeon, Dr. Carolyn loves that she can offer patients the option to choose to have a woman doctor/surgeon, if that is their preference.

As far as adversity, Dr. Carolyn is no stranger. She felt that as a woman who aspired to be a surgeon, she had to postpone her ideals of marriage and family until she had achieved her career goals. In this field, there did not seem to be any other supportive path. Additionally, Dr. Carolyn told us about a time when she had finished all of her training, signed a contract with Cornell as an assistant professor of Otolaryngology with more than adequate salary guarantees and she was denied a \$5,000 loan. Her brother, who is also a doctor and was in the same situation was not denied such a loan.

However, there are advantages to being a female physician/surgeon. Dr. Carolyn feels that sometimes female physicians are sought after for their compassionate bedside manner. Dr. Carolyn personally feels that women doctors are thought to be more approachable than their male counterparts. For Dr. Carolyn's patients, this is certainly their opinion as you can tell from her glowing reviews.

We asked if Dr. Carolyn had a favorite type of patient and why she preferred a select group but Dr. Carolyn laughs that she enjoys seeing all ages from "neonates to nineties." This often means that she cares for the entire family and she really enjoys being connected to her community in that way.

Dr. Carolyn told us about her best memory of having helped a patient was where a gentleman reported having two brief episodes of coughing up blood. His throat exam seemed normal, but Dr. Carolyn thought it best to call the gentleman's internist and express some concern. He was then immediately admitted to the hospital and diagnosed and treated for a pulmonary embolism. This call saved the man's life.

The best part of owning her own practice for Dr. Carolyn is the ability to make day-to-day practice decisions without having to get a group of doctors to agree. Doctors, much like lawyers, can often differ in opinions and argue both sides. Having the ability to make decisions without enduring a group decision can be a freeing experience.

We loved getting to know more about the medical profession and how female surgeons are both in demand and facing adversity. We'd like to thank Dr. Carolyn Agresti for her time and sharing her experiences. As someone who was a treating physician and surgeon to Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, it's understandable why Dr. Carolyn is in such high demand. However, we, at the Quattro Firm, believe that it's her compassion, patience, empathy and willingness to be creative in solutions and diagnosis that keeps patients coming from all over the world to see Dr. Carolyn.



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A Note From The Quattro Firm

As the Fall season comes to an end and we progress to Winter, let us help you celebrate the holidays through the protection of your business and family with our legal services.

Thank you.



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