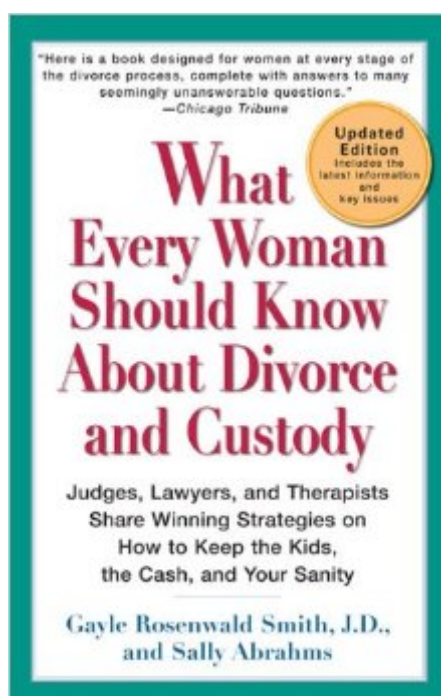


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# What Every Woman Should Know About Divorce And Custody (Rev): Judges, Lawyers, And Therapists Share Winning Strategies OnHow ToKeep The Kids, The Cash, And Your Sanity



## Synopsis

Women are still discovering-the hard way-just how difficult and unpredictable child custody cases can be. The first and most comprehensive book of its kind, this is a complete insider's guide filled with crucial advice from judges, lawyers, therapists, and mothers who have experienced this challenging legal process. It is designed for women at every stage of divorce and covers a wide range of legal strategies, as well as financial and psychological issues. This updated edition describes how to use technology advantageously and pitfalls to avoid, as well as changes in interstate custody laws and essential topics such as: - Choosing a lawyer - What to expect before and in court - Blended families - Domestic violence risk factors for women - What makes a custody agreement good or bad - Dealing with your emotions - Parental kidnapping cases - An appendix of recommended reading

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I found this book almost entirely irrelevant and in sore need of update. Nowadays, many states have "no fault" divorce (e.g., Colorado), the men's movement has changed culture, and MANY women are career women who are the main bread-winners of the family. This book takes NONE of that effectively into account. Therefore, the book was a total waste of money and time for me. I do not recommend it for any career woman and dedicated mother who is the bread-winner and in a position to need to pay maintenance, lose significant assets, AND lose parenting time despite being BOTH primary parent and primary breadwinner. This book needs to catch up with the times.

What Every Woman Should Know About Divorce and Custody by Gayle Rosenwald Smith, J.D. and Sally Abrahms, is an essential resource for women in the process of going through a divorce, as well as for those contemplating divorce and even post-divorce, when custody and child support issues continue to resurface. It tells it like it is, in a clear, concise manner. This book will be a real eye-opener to those entering the process, and provide new insights to those immersed in, and even theoretically beyond the process. Many lawyers treat the divorce process like an on-going game, which the legal system enables. This process can victimize women, in particular. The best defense a woman can have is to be well-informed and well-prepared for the battle, which many (ex)spouses choose to wage. Every woman involved in a divorce, regardless of her lawyers ability and reputation, owes it to herself to become educated about the process, the potential problems, and helpful strategies. That is the essence of What Every Woman Should Know About Divorce and Custody offers. If there is one book that a woman going through a divorce needs, this is it. This book will likely become a repeatedly consulted reference throughout most womens divorce and custody process.

I didn't know where to even begin the divorce/custody process, but this book gave me the confidence to make the first appointment with the lawyer. It helped me not feel like such a "victim" and I felt much more knowledgeable and prepared. I didn't feel so much like I was at risk for being "led by the nose" by my lawyer, and it was indispensable in helping me stand up to the tactics of my husband. Everyone woman in a divorce situation should read this, especially those with children.

This is the most thorough and informative book on divorce issues that I have read. As a divorce attorney, I am always curious to know what other attorneys are thinking. Ms. Smith's perspective and commentary mirror much of my own experiences and conclusions. The book is easy to read and filled with relevant, realistic examples and practical advice. I highly recommend this book to both nonlawyers, who have a reason to learn about this subject and to lawyers so they can refine and expand their knowledge of the divorce process.

This book was an indispensable guide during my divorce and custody process. My husband had a better lawyer, but the knowledge I gained from this book was an equalizer.

I am soon to be beginning the process. I will be initiating it. I read this book to gain insight into a woman's perspective and possible strategies. I guess if you haven't read or learned much, this book

can have some tremendous value. If you're somewhat knowledgeable about the process, it is good, but not the end all. One thing to remember, only 1-2% of all divorce cases are tried in court. Yes, judges approve them, but the real work is with the lawyers. It's clearly worth its price.

Well written, easy to understand with loads of advice and comfort for those going through the challenges of a custody battle. The author shares some of her own experiences and leaves you with a feeling of hopeful optimism. I consider this a must-read for any parent going through a divorce. I thought that her comments on dressing for court and behavior during separation were common sense, but perhaps there are some readers who would need to understand better how their image and demeanor affect a judge's perception of them as a parent. I would definitely recommend this book to anyone trying to gain custody of their children.

This book is an indispensable tool for any woman who is facing (or contemplating) a divorce with custody issues and who doesn't know how to even begin the process. It's a "comfort" book in the sense that it is precise and reassuring--almost a roadmap to follow-- especially when life seems out of control. This manual is a great resource to share with friends.

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