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Justice Anthony J. Falanga (Ret.) is Chair of the firm's Matrimonial and Family Law and Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Practice Groups. His areas of expertise include equitable distribution and the division of marital assets, pre and post-nuptial agreements, custody and visitation, child support, domestic violence, spousal maintenance, and arbitration, mediation, and private judging.

Judge Falanga is not only an expert on the law, but is deeply familiar with the emotional and financial toll of contested divorce and family law proceedings. Having presided over thousands of matrimonial cases during his 12 years as a Justice of the Nassau County Supreme Court, Judge Falanga has unique insight into the practical realities of these highly sensitive disputes.

Prior to his retirement from the bench, Judge Falanga served as a New York State Supreme Court judge in the matrimonial division. He was elected to this post after serving for five years as a district court judge, during which time he participated in the formation of Nassau county's first community court and served as its first presiding judge. He has had more than 65 of his decisions published in the *New York Law Journal* and the *Official New York State Reporter*.

Before ascending to the bench, Judge Falanga spent 30 years in private practice in Nassau county. He began his legal career in 1963 after several years as a federal narcotics agent with the U.S. Treasury Department.

Judge Falanga is dedicated to supporting future attorneys and has been active in high school lectures, mock trial competitions, and student mentoring programs, and previously served as an adjunct faculty member in the Maurice A. Deane School of Law at Hofstra University trial techniques program.

Education

Georgetown Law Center
Georgetown University

Recent Experience

Represented the defendant as assigned counsel in the infamous 1993 Long Island Railroad murders.

Former member of the law firm that represented veterans in the Agent Orange litigation.

Admissions

New York
District of Columbia

Affiliations & Appointments

Columbian Lawyers' Association of Nassau County, Board of Directors, Former President
Nassau County Criminal Courts Bar Association, Member, Former Director
Nassau Lawyers' Association of Long Island, Inc., Director
Nassau County Supreme Court, Matrimonial Division, Judge, 2000–2011
Nassau County District Court, Supervising Judge, 1993–1995
Nassau County Bar Association, Assigned Counsel Defender Plan, Inc., Advisory Committee
Education and Assistance Corporation, Board of Directors
Association of Former Federal Narcotics Agents, Member
East Meadow School Board, Former President and Vice President
East Meadow Little League, Former League President

“Intangible Assets and Avoiding Double Dipping,” *New York Law Journal*, March 16, 2007