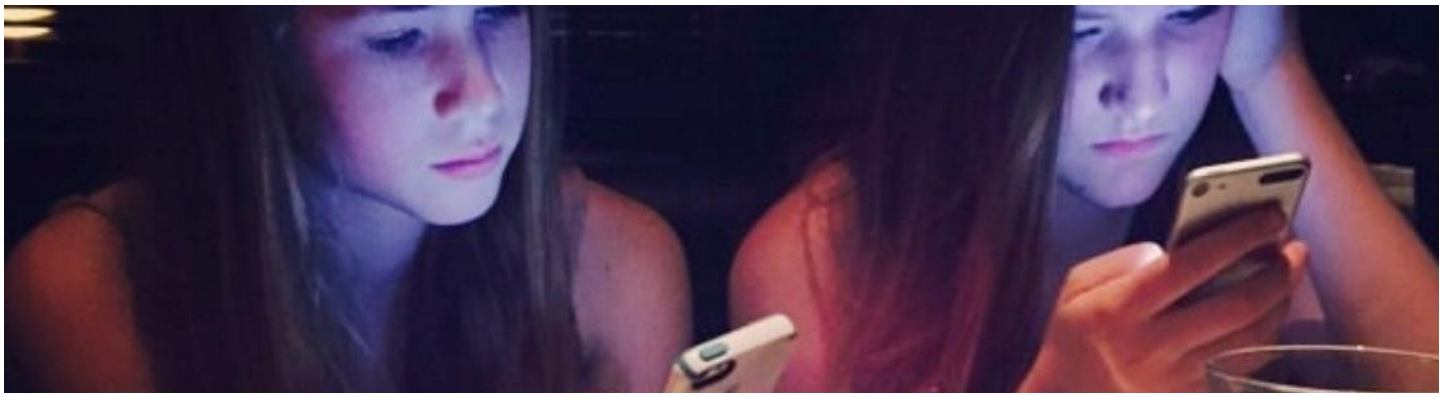
ANNUAL CUSTODY SEMINAR

Hilton Sacramento Arden West
2200 Harvard Street, Sacramento, CA 95825
Friday, October 23, 2026

SOCIAL MEDIA'S ROLE IN CUSTODY CONFLICTS: CHILDREN IN THE CROSSFIRE



Program Outline

7:15 – 7:45 Registration
7:45 – 8:00 Introduction and Announcements
Diane E. Wasznicky, JD, CFLS
8:00 –10:00 The Digital Child in Divorce: Social Media, AI, and Technology. This panel will examine the growing intersection between child development, social media, artificial intelligence, and high-conflict family systems. Drawing from research, clinical experience, and judicial perspectives, panelists will explore how modern social media platforms can be intentionally designed to capitalize on normative vulnerabilities in adolescent development, often contributing to excessive use and emotional dysregulation. Attendees will learn how social media can impact parental conflict and shape children's perceptions and narratives within divided family systems. The panel will also consider the implications for legal and mental health professionals working with children and families.
Panelists: Drew Cingel, Ph.D., Janella Street, Psy.D., Hon. Jaya Badiga, Hon. Jonathan R. Hayes
Moderator: Jessica Wharton, LMFT
10:00 – 10:15 Break
10:15 – 11:30 Continuation of Morning Program
11:30 – 11:45 Break
A plated lunch will be served at noon DURING video presentation.

11:45 – 12:45 Video Presentation: The Impact of Social Media on Children
12:45 – 1:00 Break
1:00 – 2:30 Teen Panel: What Adults Don't See on Social Media. Join us for a behind-the-scenes look at the social media world through the eyes of teens. In this interactive panel, young people will share what they are seeing, using, and talking about online, including trends, pressures, risks, and the parts of social media that adults often miss. Attendees will get a rare opportunity to ask questions, hear honest perspectives, and learn what kids are really exposed to on social platforms today.
Moderator: Angelina Ray, JD, CFLS
2:30 – 2:45 Break
2:45 – 5:00 Practical Guidance for Every Role at the Table. The final panel expands the prior presentations, providing practical guidance for parents, therapists, attorneys, mediators, evaluators, and the Court. This panel will focus on social media usage and access boundaries, children's exposure to parental conflict in person and via electronics, and how attorneys, therapists, and parents can avoid coaching, non-neutral questioning, and use of children's digital lives as litigation tools. Join an engaging interactive follow-up discussion about practical implementation strategies.
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Join us at our information table during breaks to discover powerful tools to increase the peace and end high-conflict parenting.

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Early Registration: $275 per person

Registration after 9/25/2026: $325 per person

No refunds will be made for cancellations after 10/2/2026

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Continental Breakfast

Includes pastries, bagels, fruit, juice, coffee, tea

Luncheon Selection (Please Choose One)

__Chimichurri Flank Steak
__Grilled Salmon/Japanese Ponzu Glaze
__Delta Asparagus Pasta
__Delta Asparagus Pasta with Grilled Breast of Chicken

New York Style Cheesecake with Berry Coulis for dessert

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