

**FALL FORUM 2007**  
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**A. New Child Support Guidelines (See attachment “A”).**

1. New child support statute § 78-45-7.14, Utah Code Annotated.
2. Discussion of when and how child support guidelines apply.
3. Loopholes in the new child support statute- what about when a temporary order has been established under old guidelines, and when case is finalized under new guidelines.
4. Current trends and legislative developments in the guidelines.

**B. Hot New Cases in Family Law (See attachment “B”) :**

1. Cases.
  - a. Chesonis v. Brown, 153 P.3d 567 (Utah App. 2006). Additional claims can be asserted in a petition for grandparent visitation, such as promissory estoppel and other claims.
  - b. Marchand v. Marchand, 147 P.3d 538 (Utah App. 2006). Failure to preserve issue of parental presumption.
  - c. Riley v. Riley, 138 P.3d 84 (Utah App. 2006). Exceptional circumstances warranted unequal distribution of parties retirement accounts.
  - d. Albores v. Bracamontes, 138 P.3d 106 (Utah App. 2006). Under Utah Open Court’s provision, court can hear child custody case, outside of divorce or paternity context.
  - e. Kunz v. Kunz, 136 P.3d 1278 (Utah App. 2006). Statute time limit for establishing unsolemnized marriage was statute of repose, not tolled by discovery rule.
  - f. State Ex Rel E.H., 137 P.3d 809 (Utah App. 2006). Stipulation did not strip court of core functions.
2. Impact of these cases on family law practice.