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There are conversations we as CDFAs can expect to be difficult. In fact, there can be traps and pitfalls anywhere, and we must always be aware of our clients' reactions to navigate difficult discussions successfully. I have learned that clearly defining the steps and the decisions we will be working to find agreement on goes a long way towards setting expectations early. Normalizing conversations about property division and income sharing (and, of course, quantifying its effect with the use of analysis and reports) can help reduce clients' anxiety.

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As the year comes to a close, we want to take a moment to thank you for your continued support. This season is about spreading joy and gratitude, and we are incredibly grateful for the opportunity to serve you.

Wishing you and your loved ones a joyful holiday season filled with warmth, laughter, and good cheer. May the new year bring health, happiness, and success!

Happy Holidays!



Welcome Our New Subject Matter Expert!

Kristen Shearin, J.D.

CDFA®, Certified Family Financial Mediator



Meet **Kristen Shearin**, the newest **Subject Matter Expert at IDFA!** Joining in 2024, Kristen brings extensive experience in family law and divorce financial planning. A licensed attorney in North Carolina, she is also a Certified Divorce Financial Analyst® (CDFA), Certified Mediator, and trained in Collaborative Law and Valuation Analysis.

As a family law litigator, Kristen offers invaluable insights to the CDFA community. She is dedicated to supporting fellow professionals in building their practices and confidently navigating the legal aspects of divorce. A passionate advocate for alternative dispute resolution, Kristen emphasizes the importance of including CDFA experts in the divorce process to achieve fair, informed outcomes. She is particularly committed to empowering women to take charge of their financial futures through education and awareness.

Outside of work, Kristen is married to an airline pilot, has two sons at NC State, and enjoys quality time with her loyal yellow lab, who rarely leaves her side.

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