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Claery and Hammond, LLP is an award-winning family law firm with a client-focused approach. Now in its third decade, partners Lance Claery and Eli V. Hammond have carefully selected a group of empathetic attorneys to build a powerhouse California divorce and family law firm. Experience and dedication are "must have qualities" for joining the successful team. Collectively, the firm's attorneys have a century of experience in the family law space, with services that include move-away, child custody, support, domestic violence and divorce matters.

Claery became interested in family law while at the University of Maryland. When there, he helped families in poverty-stricken areas of Washington, D.C., build educational programs for their children. "I saw that they really needed help with their legal issues, and that's what turned me on to the law," he notes. The same holds true today. "When clients come to us, they're going through a rough period in their life, and they deserve to have someone on their side." He has worked with a diverse client base ranging across the economic spectrum. Claery is an active member of the University of Maryland Alumni Association and Johns Hopkins University Carey Business School.

Hammond's educational background is diverse and omnipresent, beginning with the comprehensive foundation he received through the University of California, Santa Cruz. "A strong education is critical," he emphasizes. From the start, family law interested Hammond the most, so he became certified as a Family Law Specialist through The State Bar of California. "A desire to help others has always been a strong inner voice for me," says Hammond, "and I have happily done the work it takes to be the best attorney possible." Over the years he has handled thousands of family law, civil litigation and federal matters and represented A-list celebrities, reality stars, chart-topping musicians, business owners, and NFL and NBA athletes with multimillion-dollar endorsements. He has been featured on "E! Entertainment" as a divorce expert. Hammond is proud to be active in the University of California, McGeorge School of Law and Johns Hopkins University communities.

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