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Your guide to state law on living together, marriage, divorce, property and debt division, child custody and support, spousal support, domestic violence and more

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To families of all kinds:
may they reside and divide in peace.

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To Victor, Victor Francisco,
Graciela Raquel and Evalina Adel,
my family, and my greatest joy.

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What are New Mexico's laws on marriage, divorce, and child custody? Is spousal support (alimony) required in all cases? How much child support must be paid? How do divorcing couples divide their property and debts? Everyone thinking about marriage or divorce should read this book to learn the answers and many practical suggestions.

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—Barbara Wasylenki, LISW

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