

Tracey Coates Provides Commentary in Article titled “People Are Discovering Affairs While Quarantined With Their Spouses”

Tracey Coates provided commentary in an article written by Marisa M. Kashino titled: “People Are Discovering Affairs While Quarantined With Their Spouses,” which was published in Washingtonian magazine on April 10, 2020.

Tracey Coates, co-chair of the family law practice at Paley Rothman, has also heard from spouses who’ve come to suspect infidelity while under quarantine. “They’re grappling with overhearing hush-hush calls in a separate room,” she says. “Or texts are going off at all hours.”

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But cheating isn’t the only issue. As parents balance Zoom meetings with home-schooling, lawyers say resentment is creeping in. “Another thing we’re hearing is, ‘look, I’m the only one doing everything. Maybe I’m the only one bringing in income, and I’m certainly the only one managing my kids,’” says Coates. “I’ve heard that from two people recently— ‘I’m doing everything anyway. This is toxic and it can’t continue.”

The full article, “People Are Discovering Affairs While Quarantined With Their Spouses,” can be found on *Washingtonian* online.

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