

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MEDIATORS

Nedra L. Wick, Esq.

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Primary Occupation: I am an attorney of 20 years, licensed in Georgia in 1995. I retain active licenses in two states and am in good standing in both. In 2001, I focused my practice to ADR, a field with which I first became involved in 1977. A registered Mediator in Georgia, I also arbitrate cases nationwide. I am certified for court selection in the Sixth, Seventh, Ninth, Clayton, Cobb, DeKalb, and Gwinnett Judicial Districts. I have served as Mediator in over 2,500 disputes. I teach basic and advanced mediation classes with the Mediation Training Institute/Atlanta Divorce Mediators. I have been featured on WABE Georgia Public Radio.

ADR Fees: \$200.00 per hour, 48-hour cancellation notice required or \$350.

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Diane Skinner

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Areas of Experience: Domestic Relations (Divorce and Custody), Specialized Domestic Violence, Family, Deprivation, Juvenile, Labor Management, Workplace Disputes, Landlord/Tenant, Small Claim, and other civil matters.

ADR Experience: Registered Mediator since 1998 with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution and has assisted parties in over 1000+ disputes. She works privately and with the following Court programs: Cobb County, Sixth, Seventh, and Ninth Judicial Districts.

Professional Experience: 1995 - Present: Diane B. Skinner & Associates, LLC
1991 - 1995: Director, Human Resources, Arby's Franchise Association.
1985 - 1988: Supervisor, General Motors
1983 - 1985: Personnel, Alston and Bird

Education: Georgia State University, B.B.A., 1981

ADR Fees: \$175.00 per hour

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Mark O. Shriver, IV, Esq.

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Areas of Experience: Divorce, Custody, and Family Law

ADR Experience: Practicing Attorney, Concentrating in Family Law
General Mediation, USAA, October 1992
Atlanta, Divorce Mediators, Inc., December 1992
Early Case Evaluation Training, October 1994
Certified Neutral and Arbitrator with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution
Registered Neutral and Arbitrator with Cobb County, 7th Judicial Circuit and 9th Judicial Circuit

Professional Experience: 1981 - Present: Practicing attorney
1992 - Present: Mediator
2003: President: Family Mediation Association of Georgia
2003 - Present: Certified Collaborative Law Attorney
2010 - Present: Certified Arbitrator

Education: College of William & Mary, B.A., 1971
Emory University School of Business, MBA, 1973
Emory University School of Law, J.D., 1981

ADR Fees: \$250.00 per hour

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Kathryn M. Schrader, Esq.

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Areas of Experience: Municipal Court Judge; Founding Attorney with General Practice firm, focusing on Domestic, Juvenile, Personal Injury, Worker's Compensation and Contract law; Member of Board of Directors for Georgia Governor's Office of Children and Families; Georgia Delegate for the Federal Advisory Committee on Juvenile Justice.

ADR Experience: Certified in: General Mediation, Arbitration, Domestic Mediation, Domestic Violence Mediation

Professional Experience: Municipal Court Judge since 2004; Licensed to practice law in Georgia since 1987

Education: University of Georgia, B.A. in Global Politics, 1984
Mercer University, J.D., 1987

ADR Fees: \$200 per hour

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Lydia J. Sartain, Esq.

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Areas of Experience: Family and Children's issues, Civil, Domestic, Victim Offender, Juvenile, Magistrate, Government and Criminal law

ADR Experience: Family and Children's issues, Ms. Sartain's experience as a District Attorney and as a Solicitor, and her involvement in civic organizations and community efforts involving children have added to her experience.

Professional Experience: Began law practice in 2002 focusing on family law. Ms. Sartain came to the firm from the public sector, having served for nine years as District Attorney of Georgia's Northeastern Judicial Circuit. She has a background not only in criminal law but also has a background as an advocate for children and youth, and families. Prior to her initial appointment as District Attorney, Ms. Sartain was director of Georgia's Children and Youth Coordinating Council under the leadership of Governor Zell Miller. Ms. Sartain was a founding member and served as Board Chairman for Gainesville's Edmondson-Telford Center for Children and Child advocacy. She is a past president of the Northeastern Bar Association and was appointed to the State Board of Public Safety by Governor Roy Barnes in 1999. In 1998, Georgia Trends named her one of the state's "Forty Under Forty" leaders.

Education: Mercer College, B.A., 1981
Walter F. George School of Law, Mercer University, J.D., 1984

ADR Fees: \$200.00 per hour

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Bonnie O. Powell, Esq.

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Areas of Experience: Domestic, Landlord/Tenant, Workplace Dispute

ADR Experience: **General Civil, Domestic, Domestic Violence, Workplace Dispute. Also trained in Juvenile Delinquency and Juvenile Deprivation.**

Professional Experience: Mediator, Director of Fulton Landlord/Tenant Mediation Program, Real Estate Closing Attorney

Education: Bachelor of Science, Florida State University
Juris Doctor, Georgia State University College of Law

ADR Fees: \$250.00 per hour

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Jennifer C. Pinson-Harvey, P.C., Esq.

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ADR Experience: Have settled cases or facilitated communications between parties in over 600 private and court-ordered domestic and civil mediations since 1995, including the areas of Divorce, Contract Disputes, Collections, Custody, Personal Injury, Property Issues and various other areas of legal disputes.

Professional Experience: Solo law practice since 1995 specializing in mediations, Uncontested Divorces, Wills and Incorporations. Ms. Pinson-Harvey was formerly employed in government relations with the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games. Served as a Congressional Staffer, a Municipal Law Attorney and an Associate in a General Law practice.

Education: University of Georgia, A.B.J., 1980
Emory University, M.A., 1982
George Washington University, J.D., 1988

ADR Fees: \$195.00 per hour

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Jo Carol Nessel-Sale

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Areas of Experience: Professional Malpractice; Personal Injury; Wrongful Death; Domestic Relations, including Child Custody; Criminal Law; Employment Law; Juvenile Law; Education Law; Landlord /Tenant Disputes; Attorney and Ecclesiastical Discipline

ADR Experience: Mediates Civil and Domestic relations matters and Domestic Violence issues in the Ninth and Tenth Districts and in Fulton County. Ms. Nessel-Sale is registered with the Georgia Office of Alternative Dispute Resolution in both General Civil and Domestic Relations mediation.

Professional Experience: Twenty-three years as a Trial Lawyer in both civil and criminal matters, trying 180+ cases, ranging from Medical Malpractice and Wrongful Death to Capital Homicide, Child Custody, and Employment Discrimination. Two years spent as a Chief Disciplinary Counsel, prosecuting unethical attorneys. Four years as a full-time professor of law with experience in teaching interviewing, counseling, negotiating and professional responsibility training and evidence. Since May 2006, Ms. Nessel-Sale has been in private practice, concentrating on mediation, guardian ad litem service, and ethics consulting. Member of Georgia and Utah bars.

Education: College of William and Mary, A.B.
John Carroll University, M.A. (Teaching)
University of Utah: J.D.

ADR Fees: \$175.00 per hour Cancellation Fee: two hours if less than 48 hours' notice

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Scott A. Mitchell, Esq.

Telephone: 678-475-5770

Areas of Experience: Attorney with General Practice firm, focusing on Domestic, Juvenile, Personal Injury, and Contract law

ADR Experience: Certified in: General Mediation, Arbitration, Domestic Mediation, Domestic Violence Mediation, and Juvenile Arbitration.

Professional Experience: Licensed to practice law since 2003; currently licensed in South Carolina and Georgia. Background in Public Interest and Juvenile Justice

Education: Furman University, B.A. in English, 1997

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Martha H. McConkey

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Professional Experience: I have been a registered Neutral with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution since 1993. I have been mediating divorce custody cases since 1994. I have taught the Basic Mediation Skills class for neutral registration through the Justice Center of Atlanta since 1994 and also the Advanced Mediation Course, Special Education Mediation, Workplace Dispute Mediation and the Divorce/Custody Mediation. I have been an onsite mediator for Fulton Superior Court since its inception in 1998, and I am on the ADR list with Fulton Superior Court, Cobb Superior Court, and 9th Judicial District.

Education: Georgia State University, Master of Education

ADR Fees: \$250 per hour

James E. Mahar, Jr., Esq.

Telephone: 770-532-6312

Areas of Experience: Personal Injury, Wrongful Death, Product Liability, Domestic Relations, Premises Liability, Commercial Disputes, Toxic Torts, Libel and Slander, Insurance Law, Civil Rights, and Professional Negligence

ADR Experience: Mediation-Arbitration Training: Basic Mediation Training by Atlanta Justice Center 1992; Advanced Mediation Training by Ninth District Office of Dispute Resolution 1996, 1997-2000; Early Neutral Evaluation Training by Ninth District Office of Dispute Resolution 1996; Arbitration Training by Ninth District Office of Dispute Resolution 1999; and Domestic Mediation Training by Resolution Resources 2003. Estimated Number of Cases Handled: Over 600.

Professional Experience: Partner, Husley, Oliver & Mahar, LLP, in private practice since 1974, handling litigation in State and Federal courts on behalf of both plaintiffs and defendants. Cases included Personal Injury, Wrongful Death, Product Liability, Premises Liability, Commercial disputes and Toxic Torts. Mr. Mahar is a registered General Mediator, Domestic Mediator, Arbitrator, and Early Neutral Evaluator with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution. He was admitted to the Bar in 1974. Member of the State Bar of Georgia (ADR and General Practice and Trial Sections); American Bar Association (Litigation and ADR Sections); Gainesville-Northeastern Circuit Bar Association (President 1996 – 1997); and Georgia Council for Dispute Resolution and also Founding Member, Georgia Academy of Mediators & Arbitrators

Education: University of Georgia, A.B., 1967
University of Georgia School of Law, J.D., 1974

ADR Fees: \$200.00 per hour

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Valerie Lyle

Telephone: 770-535-6909

Areas of Experience: General Mediation Domestic Mediation, Domestic Violence Mediation and Arbitration

Professional Experience: Ninth Judicial Administrative District, Office of Dispute Resolution - Director

ADR Fees: \$175.00 per hour

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Robert N. Leitch, Esq.

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Areas of Experience: Personal Injury, Domestic, Domestic Violence, Commercial, Construction, and Employment

ADR Experience: Mr. Leitch has been a full-time practicing neutral since 1990 and has conducted over 1,200 mediation, arbitrations and case evaluations. He is on the panels of Gwinnett, Cobb, Clayton and DeKalb Counties, Henning Mediation & Arbitration, the American Arbitration Association and the NASD. He has trained mediators in 7 states and is currently on the National Faculty for Arbitrator Trainers for the American Arbitration Association and an adjunct professor of Alternative Dispute Resolution at Georgia State College of Law. Mr. Leitch is registered with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution (GODR) in General Mediation, Domestic Relations Mediation, Arbitration and Early Neutral Evaluation since 1994. He is an advanced practitioner in the Association for Conflict Resolution (ACR).

Professional Experience: Admitted to the Georgia Bar in 1974
Magistrate Court and State Court Judge by Designation in DeKalb County since 1990
Former Associate Judge of the Cobb County Juvenile Court
General Practice of Law
Superior Court Judge by designation in DeKalb County since 2004

Education: Emory University School of Law, J.D., 1974
Fairfield University, B.A., 1969
London School of Economics and Political Science, Independent Study 1966-67
ADR training: The American Arbitration Association
The National Judicial College
Pepperdine University
School of Law's Institute of Dispute Resolution
The Justice Center of Atlanta

ADR Fees: \$300.00 per hour; minimum 2 hours. A travel fee of \$100.00 per hour will apply if the mediation is in any location other than Hall, Cherokee or Forsyth County; a late cancellation fee of \$300.00.

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Jill P. (Schaffer) Langberg, Esq.

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Areas of Experience: Contracts, Insurance, Products Liability, Medical Malpractice, Environmental, Employment, Elder Care Issues. Graduate school training in Clinical Psychology, Domestic Violence, Juvenile, and Domestic

ADR Experience: 13 Years of mediation and arbitration experience

Professional Experience: 1995 - Present: Attorney: Tatum, Levine & Powell
1998 - Present: Independent contractor mediator and arbitrator
1985 - 1986: Public defender, Atlanta, Georgia
1983 - 1984: Student Legal Specialist in appeals, District Attorney, New York
1982 - 1983: Law clerk to Superior Court Judge, New York

Education: Brooklyn Law School, J.D. 1984
Emory University, BA Psychology, 1968, 1979

ADR Fees: \$150.00 per hour

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Phil M. Landrum, III

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Areas of Experience: Civil, Domestic, Probate, Real Estate, School Law, Electric Membership Corporation Disputes.

ADR Experience: Mr. Landrum completed a 20-hour General Mediation Training with The Justice Center of Atlanta, March 2003; Clinical Practicum for Mediation with The Justice Center of Atlanta, June 2003; a 40-hour Divorce Mediation Training with Resolution Resources Corporation, October 2003; Divorce Mediation Practicum with Resolutions Resources Corporation, November 2003; and Mediating Cases Involving Domestic Violence, December 2003.

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Professional Experience: 1992 - Present: Practicing Attorney
2003 - Present: Mediator

Education: The Citadel, B.A.,
University of Georgia, School of Law: J.D.

ADR Fees: \$150.00 per hour for mediation

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Kathryn N. Hedden

Telephone: 770-330-1349

Areas of Experience: Domestic, Domestic Violence, Civil, Landlord/Tenant, Real Estate, Contracts, Labor-Management, Probate and Juvenile (including school law).

ADR Experience: For over twenty-four years I have worked as a Mediator and have been certified in three states, NJ, GA and SC. I have mediated for the Magistrate and Superior Courts of Cobb, Fulton and Forsyth counties. Since 1993 I have been doing private mediations in the area of Divorce and Custody. I am a registered Neutral for the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution. My practice has been primarily in the area of Domestic law and I have specialized training in the area of Domestic Violence.

Professional Experience: I am a solo practitioner in Forsyth County with primary emphasis on mediation and Collaborative law for civil and domestic cases. I have over twenty four years of experience and I am licensed Attorney in good standing in Georgia and New Jersey.

Education: Virginia Commonwealth University, B.S., 1974
Rutgers School of Law – Newark, J.D., 1984

ADR Fees: \$175.00 per hour

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Melissa Heard

Telephone: 770-778-7618

Areas of Experience: Domestic Relations, Domestic Violence, Deprivation, Juvenile, General-Civil, Probate, Labor-Management, Civic Organizations, Medical Malpractice, Products Liability, School-Educational, Religious Disputes, and Child Custody

ADR Experience: Ms. Heard has been mediating professionally since 1992 and training Mediators since 1999. She is registered with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution. Ms. Heard has worked with the elderly, adults and children for over 13 years in Social Services through training counseling, and supervisory management. Melissa mediates over 275 cases per year in her areas of experience and consults with other cases for evaluations. She believes mediation works best when the parties utilize the mediator as a facilitator to assist in the resolution of disputes. Melissa is on the lists of several counties including the Seventh and Ninth Judicial District, DeKalb, Fulton and Cobb Counties.

Professional Experience: 2003 - Present: Seventh Judicial District Divorcing Parents Seminar, Trainer
2000 - Present: Success Consulting & Mediation, Inc., Dallas, Georgia
1999 - Present: Trainer with Atlanta Divorce Mediators/Mediation Training Institute; Atlanta, Georgia
2000 - 2003: Instructor, Children of Divorce Classes; Paulding & Polk County
2000 - 2001: Paulding Collaborative for Children & Families; Dallas, Georgia
1998 - 2000: Initiative for Affordable Housing/DeKalb; Decatur, Georgia
1995 - 1998: Murphy Harpst Children's Centers; Cedartown, Georgia

Education: Brenau Women's University, B.A., Broadcasting/ Marketing, 1992
University of Tennessee, Knoxville; Master of Science in Social Work Treatment, 1994

ADR Fees: \$150.00 per hour with \$300.00 late cancellation fee/ \$300.00 no show fee

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Beth Stone Hand, LMSW

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Primary Occupation: I am a Licensed Master Social Worker in good standing with the State of Georgia. I have mediated over 250 General Civil & Domestic cases since March of 2006. I received my Bachelor of Arts degree from New York University in 1993 and my Master of Social Work degree from the University of Georgia in 2004. I am a member of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, and in addition to the training requirements for the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution, I have completed over 40 hours of extensive training in Parenting Coordination: Helping High Conflict Parents Resolve Disputes and Advanced Issues in Child Custody: Abuse, Alienation and other Challenges. I co-facilitate the Divorcing Parent Seminar for the 9th Judicial District, updated the Divorcing Parent Seminar curriculum for the 9th JAD ADR and periodically teach Developmentally Appropriate Parenting Plans to attorneys and others in the ADR field. Prior to focusing my practice to ADR, I was a school Social Worker and worked extensively with at-risk children, children with disabilities and their families.

ADR Fees: \$150.00 per hour – 2 hour minimum, 48-hour, cancellation notice required or \$300.

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Susan M. Hamby

Telephone: 678-410-3671
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Areas of Experience: Domestic, General Civil and Juvenile.

ADR Experience: Certified Mediator for General Civil and Domestic cases. Hundreds of cases mediated.

Professional Experience: Department of Family and Children Services, High School Teacher, Executive Account Manager for National Brands in the food industry.

Volunteer Services: 7 years service with inmates in Hall County Detention Center

Education: North Georgia College and State University, B.A. in English Education

ADR Fees: \$175.00 per hour

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Daniel E. Gulden, Esq.

Telephone: 404-847-9529

Areas of Experience: Business, Domestic, Estate Matters, Employment, and Personal Injury

ADR Experience: Dan Gulden has been a trained mediator since 1990, and a trained Arbitrator since 1988. He has mediated hundreds of disputes. He has served as a mentor in mediation programs in DeKalb County and the 3rd Judicial Administrative District. He mediates privately and for various panels, including the American Arbitration, the Justice Center of Atlanta, court-annexed programs in metro Atlanta and North and Central Georgia. He has participated in training Mediators for various programs, spoken to law school ADR classes, and is on the Board of the ADRL Section of the Atlanta Bar Association (since 1996). Dan believes it is the Mediator's role to guide the disputing parties through the choices they may have and the decisions to be made and in the process, to seek workable solutions.

Professional Experience: 1998 - Present: Private Practice, Atlanta; now limiting practice to serving as a Neutral
1977 - 1988: Chief Administrative Officer, Camp Steel Works, with responsibility for contracts, employee-labor relations, and banking and creditor relationships.
1975 - 1977: Attorney and Sr. Attorney, Office of Chief Counsel, IRS Washington, DC
1969 - 1973: Attorney and Sr. Attorney, Office of Chief Counsel, IRS Washington, DC

Education: Dartmouth College, A.B., 1966
Emory, University School of Law, JD, 1969
Georgetown University of Law Center, LL.M. (Tax), 1973

ADR Fees: \$250.00 - \$280 per hour. For cases outside of Cherokee, Forsyth and Hall Counties travel time charge of \$75.00 per hour

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Robin Lynn E. Gordon

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Areas of Experience: Domestic, Education, Juvenile, Employment, and Civil

ADR Experience: Registered Neutral in Civil and Domestic Mediation with the Supreme Court of Georgia, and the Office of Dispute Resolution. From 1998 to present Ms. Gordon is a full-time mediator in Private Practice in Alpharetta, Active Mediator in the Ninth District, Cobb and Gwinnett County Judicial Districts. From 2001 to Present Ms. Gordon is a Mediation Trainer at Mediation Training Institute and Atlanta Divorce Mediators in Atlanta. She has had advanced training in Domestic Violence and Juvenile Mediation Training. She is also a Practitioner Member of the Association for Conflict Resolution (ACR), and the National Association of Social Workers (NASW) Member.

Professional Experience: 1998 - Present: Full Time Mediator in private practice in Alpharetta
1998 - Present: Full Time Mediator in private practice in Alpharetta as Domestic & Civil Mediator, in the Ninth District, Cobb, Gwinnett and DeKalb Counties
1997 - 1998: Human Resources Director for Inter Community Cancer Centers of America.
1995 - 1997: Early Childhood Education Consultant for the State of Georgia
1986 - 1995: Teacher (Palo Alto Unified School District, CA) & (Gwinnett County School District, Ga.)
1983 - 1986: Human Resources Manager-Syntex Pharmaceutical Company, Palo Alto, CA.
1983 - 1984: Resident Director-University of Michigan Housing, Ann Arbor, MI
1979 - 1983: Clinical Educator-Mt. Carmel Hospital, Detroit, MI.

Education: University of Michigan, B.A., 1978
Oakland University, M. Ed, 1982
University of Michigan, M.S.W., 1984

ADR Fees: \$200.00 per hour, 24-hour cancellation notice required or \$600.00.

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Steven J. Gold, Esq.

Telephone: 770-270-8290

Areas of Experience: General Mediation, Domestic Mediation, Domestic Violence Mediation, Arbitration, and Early Neutral Evaluation.

ADR Experience: Beginning in 1998, average 2 to 3 cases per week as an ADR Neutral (Mediator, Case Evaluator and Arbitrator) in court-annexed programs in DeKalb, Cobb, Gwinnett, Fulton, 7th Judicial District and 9th Judicial District, and NASD in private sessions and through Henning Mediation and Arbitration Service.

Professional Experience: Practicing Attorney in Georgia since 1984. Legal career began as in-house Attorney for Rich's Dept. Stores handling General Corporate, Contracts, General Liability and Workers Compensation from defense perspective for 4 years. He then went into private practice doing Plaintiff's Personal Injury and General Civil.

Education: Antioch College, BA, 1973
Emory University School of Law, JD, 1983

ADR Fees: \$150.00 per hour minimum 2 hours, \$850.00 Per Day, maximum 8 hours,
Cancellation Fees: One hour if no travel to site, 2 hours if no-show at site.

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Linda Gettle

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Areas of Experience: Family Law

ADR Experience: Ms. Gettle has been mediating since 1998 and has mediated over 1,500 cases.

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Professional Experience: Ms. Gettle is an attorney in good standing with the State Bar of Georgia. Her practice is divided between Family Law litigation, mediation and being a Guardian ad Litem in Superior Court.

Education: University of TN at Chattanooga, B.S. English/Education, 1976
Woodrow Wilson College of Law 1987

ADR Fees: \$200.00 per hour

Joe Gardner, Esq.

Telephone: 770-938-7689

Areas of Experience: Commercial Law, Contracts, Probate, Taxation, Landlord-Tenant, Corporations, Partnership Dissolution, Domestic Relations, Personal Injury, Child Custody-Child Deprivation, and Real & Personal Property Disputes

ADR Experience: Mr. Gardner has been a Mediator since March, 1998. He currently mediates about 20 cases per month. He has mediated in the Magistrate, Juvenile, Probate, State and Superior Courts in Gwinnett County and the Ninth Judicial Administrative District. He has advanced mediation training in Juvenile and Domestic Relations. He also has training for Violence in the Mediation Setting, Agreement Writing, Domestic Violence, Child Deprivation and Case Evaluation. Mr. Gardner practiced law from 1968 to 2000. He is retired from active practice.

Professional Experience: 1998 - Present: Private Mediation Practice
1968 - 2000: Private Practice of Law - Atlanta area
1961 - 1965: U.S. Navy

Education: Miami University, B.S., 1961
Emory University School of Law, J.D., 1968
Emory University School of Law, LLM, 1977

ADR Fees: \$150.00 per hour

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James W. Friedewald, Esq.

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ADR Fees: \$175.00 per hour

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David A. Fox, Esq.

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Areas of Experience: Civil Litigation Criminal Litigation, and Family Law

ADR Experience: Mr. Fox has mediated cases for more than 8 years and has received his mediation training with Atlanta Divorce Mediation. He was certified in 1994. He has received Advanced Mediation Training through the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution, and the Ninth Judicial Administrative District, along with Deprivation Mediation Training for Juvenile Courts. Mr. Fox has attended CLE Courses on Mediation, Arbitration and Early Neutral Evaluation. He is a certified Neutral with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution and a registered Neutral with the Ninth Judicial Administrative District.

Professional Experience: 1974 - Present: Practicing Attorney
1976 -1977: Gainesville-Northeastern Bar Association (Secretary, Younger Lawyers Section
1970 - 1977: State Bar of Georgia; Georgia Trial Lawyers Associations
1970 - 1977: Captain U. S. Army
1986: Graduate of Fall College, The National College of Juvenile and Family Law
1994 - Present: Private mediation practice

Education: University of Georgia, ABA, 1970, J.D., 1973
Phi Delta Phi Special Assistant Attorney General, State of Georgia, 1980-1990

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Juvenile Court Judge Hall County Gainesville, Georgia 1986-1990

ADR Fees: \$200.00 per hour

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Marjorie Fishman

Telephone: 706 757-8878

Areas of Experience: General Civil Litigation (including Personal Injury, Contracts, Probate matters, Landlord-Tenant disputes) with an emphasis on Domestic matters including Divorce, Custody, Child Support, Domestic Violence.

ADR Experience: I am currently certified to mediate all types of Civil and Domestic cases including cases involving Domestic Violence. Although I mediate a variety of cases, the majority of my mediations are in the Domestic arena. I accept both court-ordered and privately scheduled mediations. I have been mediating since 1996, and average approximately 125 cases per year.

Professional Experience: Associate Nelson and Hill 1988-1991
Adjunct Faculty/Paralegal; Athens Area Technical Institute 1991-1996
Trainer/Instructor Mediation, Peer Mediation and Law Related
Education; University of Georgia, Institute of Government 1996-2000
Self-Employed Mediator 1996 to Present

Education: University of Georgia School of Law, J.D., 1988
Settlement Institute Mediation Training, 1995
Atlanta Divorce Mediators Domestic Mediation Training, 1995
Domestic Violence Mediation Training, 2003
Henning Arbitration Training, 2006

ADR Fees: \$200 per hour; 48-hour cancellation notice or \$200 fee

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W. Roy Finch, Esq.

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Areas of Experience: Domestic Relations, Commercial, Contracts, Personal Injury, and Probate

ADR Experience: Certified mediator for General Civil and Domestic cases founded Finch Mediation & Arbitration Services, 2002. Mediation Trainer for Decision Management Associates, Atlanta, Georgia - Macon, Georgia, mediated over 2500 cases.

Professional Experience: Law Practice emphasizing Family Law and Domestic Relations since 1992
Practice currently limited to Mediation
Member, Family Law and ADR Sections of Georgia State Bar, Member Family Law and ADR sections of Atlanta Bar Association, Member Western Circuit Bar Association

Education: Georgia State University, B.A., 1989
University of Georgia School of Law, J.D., 1992

ADR Fees: \$250.00 per hour; \$250 cancellation fee within five days of mediation

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Julie Ernst-Fortin, Esq.

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Areas of Experience: Divorce, Custody, Child Support, Visitation, Domestic Violence, Probate, Estate Planning, Contracts, Real Estate, Personal Injury, Juvenile, Deprivations, Landlord-Tenant, Collections, and Employment

ADR Experience: Ms. Ernst-Fortin has been licensed to practice law in Georgia and Virginia since 1994 and has litigated hundreds of divorce, custody and child support actions. Her firm currently focuses on Uncontested Divorce, Mediation, GAL work, Wills, Trusts, and Probate. A Mediator registered with the State of Georgia since 1998, she has mediated thousands of disputes throughout Georgia and online, averaging 4 to 6 cases weekly. Due to over 200 hours of advanced mediation training, she is authorized to mediate Domestic Relations, Domestic Violence, Juvenile Deprivation cases. She trains Mediators with Resolve to Solve, Inc. Judges university mediation competitions, and consults on how to negotiate effectively. She is a member of the Family Law Section of the Georgia Bar. She is certified to be selected by the parties and is approved to accept court-referred mediations in Fulton, DeKalb, Gwinnett, Clayton and Cobb Counties, as well as the Sixth, Seventh, Ninth and Tenth Districts. In addition to working with parties in the court system, Ms. Ernst-Fortin works privately with couples who want to settle all issues before filing an uncontested divorce. She also helps couples who already agree on how to end their marriage obtain an uncontested divorce for an economical fee. Visit www.agreetodivorce.com for more information.

Professional Experience: 1999 - Present: Divorce & Family Law and Mediation Services. Julie Ernst-Fortin, PC
1995 - 1999: Supervising and Staff Attorney, Georgia Legal Services Program, Inc.
1995: Assistant Public Defender, Northern Judicial Circuit.
1994: Sole Practice
1993 - 1994: Tobin & Hoffspiegel

Education: Miami University, School of Arts & Sciences, B.A., 1989
Georgia State University, College of Law J.D., 1994

ADR Fees: \$200.00 per hour, Credit/Debit Card Acceptance Available, 2 hour fee for cancellation less than 48 hours prior to session.

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John F. Elger, Esq.

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Areas of Experience: Construction, Divorce and Child Custody, Probate, Wills and Trusts, General Business and Commercial, Personal Finance, School Law

ADR Experience: State Registered in General and Domestic Relations; served as mediator and arbitrator since 1985. Represented parties in 100s of Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) proceedings since 1979, primarily in the areas of construction, general commercial and domestic relations.

Professional Experience: Attorney in Georgia since 1977 (Partner, Managing Partner of 25-lawyer construction and general litigation firm; Of Counsel with Domestic Relations litigation firm); Civil Engineer; Certified Financial Planner®; Certified Divorce Financial Analyst™; Associate Professor of Business, Legal Studies, and Personal Financial Planning for 17 years; College President for 5 years; Board of Education member for 4 years

Education: Stanford University, BS-Civil Engineering, 1971
The University Of Texas School of Law-JD, 1977
Georgia State University, MBA, Concentration in Risk Management and Insurance, 1998

ADR Fees: \$150/hour

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Areas of Expertise: Domestic Litigation (Divorce, Child Custody, Adoption, Child Support Actions), Mediation Services (Civil and Domestic), Criminal Law, Civil Litigation, Zoning, Government.

ADR Experience: I have completed training in Civil Mediation, Domestic Mediation and Family Violence Mediation, and am a registered with the State of Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution.

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Professional Experience: I have practiced law in the Gainesville area for over eighteen years. My primary areas of practice are Domestic Litigation (Divorce, Child Custody, Adoption, and Child Support Actions), Criminal Defense, Mediation Services, and Civil Litigation.
I am the founder and owner of the Law Offices of Joe Raymond Diaz, P.C. which was established in 2001 and is located in the Historic Garner/Hulsey House located at 616 Green Street. I serve as Vice Chairman of the Gainesville Planning and Appeals Board, and serve on the Boards of the Friends of the Parks, and the Democratic Party of Hall County and the State Democratic Party of Georgia.

Education: Duke University, A.B. /B.A. in Political Science and Economics, 1989
University of Georgia School of Law, J.D., Cum Laude

ADR Fees: \$175.00 per hour. (Minimum two hour)
Spanish/English Interpreter (If desired): \$35.00 per hour.

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ADR Experience: Five years mediation experience including training Mediators at Kennesaw State University through Divorce Mediation, Inc.

Professional Experience: Twenty-one years Family Law and Civil Litigation

Education: University of Wisconsin-Madison, B.A.
Emory University: J.D.

ADR Fees: \$200 per hour

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Areas of Experience: Domestic Relations, Family Violence, General/Civil, Arbitration, Parenting Coordination

Professional Experience: Licensed Attorney-State of Georgia (All Courts, including Court of Appeals & Supreme Court; District Court-Northern District of Georgia)

Education: B.S.-Political Science/Pre-Law: J.D.

ADR Fees: \$175.00 per hour

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Areas of Experience: Divorce, Custody, Family Law, Contracts, Personal Injury, Business Disputes, Collection and Construction.

ADR Experience: John R. Coleman, Jr. (Bob) is a practicing attorney licensed in the State of Georgia. He has participated in the Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) process since 1989 and has mediated over 300 cases. Mr. Coleman received training in Divorce Mediation from Atlanta Divorce Mediators, Inc. and is a registered Neutral with the State of Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution to do General-Civil business, Domestic, and Domestic Violence.

Professional Experience: 1996 - Present: Coleman & Chambers, LLP: Gainesville, Georgia. Partner with: Insurance Defense, Personal Injury, Construction disputes, Juvenile, Domestic, Contracts, Collection and Employment experience.

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1996: Hunt, Coleman, Vaughan & Chambers, PA, Gainesville, Georgia, Partner focusing on Collections, Construction Disputes, Contract Disputes, Juvenile, Domestic, Child Custody, and Personal Injury.
1994 - 1996: Hunt, Coleman, Vaughan & Chambers, PA, Gainesville, Georgia, Focusing on commercial and business litigation, personal injury, divorce, contracts disputes, construction disputes and collection matters
1993 - 1994: Hunt & Coleman, PA, Gainesville, Georgia, Partner, Civil litigation, including business disputes, personal injury, divorce and custody
1989 - 1993: Smith, Gilliam & Williams, PA, Gainesville, Georgia, Associate commercial, and business litigation, insurance defense, personal injury, worker's compensation, and contractual disputes.

Education: Auburn University, B.A., 1986
Mercer University, Walter F. George School of Law, and J.D., 1989

ADR Fees: \$200.00 per hour (2-hour minimum with 48-hour cancellation terms).

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Areas of Experience: General Mediation, Domestic Mediation, Domestic Violence Mediation, and Arbitration

ADR Experience: My first mediation training was in 1987, while working for a large insurance firm. I instructed in agent education and mediation training. Facilitated mediation with agents and clients, and supervisors and employees as well as designed agent education materials. I have a Master's Degree in Conflict Resolution in addition to 185 hours of mediation training in the states of Georgia and Texas. I have a background as a Licensed Christian Counselor specializing in individual, family, and marital conflict. I have 29+ years experience as a small business owner, with my husband, in retail, residential, and commercial development and construction. I am a member of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, the Georgia Christian Counselors Association, and the American Association of Christian Counselors. I am a registered neutral with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution.

Professional Experience: Present Georgia Mediation Professionals, Inc., President, Owner,
2005-2011: Leah Cagle CPC, LCC, Licensed Christian Counselor, Professionally trained Life/Leadership Coach, Professional Mediator
1990-Present: LCM, Inc.,
1985-1987: A. L. Williams/Milico Insurance, Duluth, GA
1984-1985 Gwinnett County Public Schools
1982-1984 Hall County Public Schools

Education: 2009-2010 Abilene Christian University Master of Arts, Conflict Resolution
1978-1982 Shorter College, Rome, Georgia Bachelor of Arts, English

ADR Fees: \$200.00 per hour - 2 hour minimum, 48-hour cancellation notice required or cancellation fee of \$300. I accept all major credit cards.

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Areas of Experience: Personal Injury, General Civil Litigation, Real Estate/ Construction Litigation, Contracts

ADR Experience: Mediated over 200 cases for local courts including Magistrate and Superior Court. Mr. Breakfield is a registered Mediator with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution (GODR) and with the Ninth Judicial District of Georgia.

Professional Experience: Breakfield & Dean, LLC in Gainesville, GA

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Education: Mercer Law School, J.D., 2001

ADR Fees: \$150.00 per hour (willing to take short notice cases and flexible on scheduling). No cancellation fee if the case is mediated in Gainesville, GA. No cancellation fee outside of Gainesville if all parties, including the Mediator, are notified prior to leaving for the mediation session. Several conference rooms are available to host the mediation, if needed.

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Sean A. Black, Esq.

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Areas of Experience: General Civil Litigation, Residential Construction Litigation, Real Estate Brokerage Commission Litigation, Real Estate Litigation, Personal Injury, Premises Liability, Automobile Crash Litigation, State and Federal Criminal Law, Privacy Rights, Police Misconduct and Civil Rights Litigation, Estate Disputes, Business Disputes, Contract Disputes, Medical Malpractice, and Family Law Litigation

ADR Experience: Mr. Black is a registered mediator since 2002.

Professional Experience: Mr. Black has been in private practice since 1992. He maintains a general practice of law with major practice areas being Criminal and DUI Defense, Personal Injury including Medical Malpractice, and Family Law. He is a member of the American Bar Association, State Bar of Georgia, Association of Trial Lawyers of America, Georgia Trial Lawyers Association, National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, Georgia Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers and National College of DUI Defense.

Education: Emory University School of Law, J.D., 1992
Mercer University, B.A., English, 1989

ADR Fees: \$140.00 per hour with travel expenses negotiable for mediation outside normal geographic practice area. There is a two-hour minimum. \$100.00 cancellation fee if cancellation occurs less than 48 hours prior to scheduled session.

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