

GENERAL MEDIATORS

1 JANNA D. AKINS, ESQ.

706-745-0032

- **Areas of Experience:** Wills, Trusts, Estate and Probate law, Municipal/Government Law, Real Estate: Business Disputes, Landlord/Tenant, General Civil Litigation, Contracts.
- **Professional Experience:** Mrs. Akins was previously employed by the Central Intelligence Agency, where she developed an interest in legal issues arising from contract negotiations and disputes. She returned to Georgia to pursue her legal education and has been in private practice since 2004. She maintains a general practice of law with major practice areas being: Civil Litigation, Probate Litigation, and Municipal Law. She is a member of the American Bar Association, State Bar of Georgia, and Enotah Bar Association.
- **Education:** Emory University School of Law, Juris Doctorate, 2004. Strayer University M.B.A, 2001. Georgia Institute of Technology, Bachelor of Science in Business Management, Minors in Finance and History, 1999.
- **ADR Fees:** \$200.00 per hour (2 hour minimum)
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2 CINDIE J. ALTER, ESQ.

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- **Areas of Experience:** Family Law/General Practice of Law.
- **ADR Experience:** Registered as a mediator in Civil and Domestic cases on March 30, 2006 and as an Arbitrator on January 27, 2007. Also registered in Domestic Violence, Juvenile Delinquency and Juvenile Dependency.
- **Professional Experience:** 1978 to 1989: in the private practice of law with Ray Gary Sr., in Mableton, with extensive experience in domestic relations matters and juvenile law including divorce, contempt, modification, adoption, and deprivation proceedings. The practice also included criminal law, bankruptcy, personal injury matters and social security disability as well as assisting clients with simple wills and probate matters. 2001 to 2009: Staff Attorney for the Hon. Kenneth O. Nix, in the Superior Court of Cobb County which involved participation in all aspects of domestic relations cases including research, pre-trial conferences, and judicial interviews with minor children, trials, judicially hosted mediations and drafting orders. 2009 to 2010: associate attorney with the law firm of Belli, Weil, Grozbean & Davis engaged in the general practice of law, including domestic relations, criminal cases, personal injury, business litigation and appellate practice. April 2010 to July 2014: Senior associate attorney with the law firm of Baskin & Baskin, PC Specializing in family law. July 2014 to present, Greenbaum Alter Law Inc. focusing exclusively on mediation and arbitration.
- **Education:** BA Ohio State University, Summa Cum Laude 1975, JD Emory University School of Law 1978, admitted to practice in Georgia and Ohio in 1978.
- **ADR Fees:** \$250.00 per hour, 2 hour minimum. Accepts, cash, checks, credit cards, Venmo and Zelle. \$500.00 no show fee, 2 hour, \$500.00, cancellation fee for cancellations with less than 7 business days' notice.

- **Areas of Experience:** Divorce, custody, parenting time, contempt, modification, legitimation, same sex cases, domestic violence, probate, business dissolution, workplace mediation, and landlord tenant.
- **Professional Experience:** Mediated several thousand cases since 1998. Mediation trainer since 2001; Founder of Resolve to Solve, Inc. in 2001. Registered with Georgia's Office for Dispute Resolution, Adjunct Professor at Lanier Technical College in Human Relations and Leadership, Adjunct Professor at Kennesaw State University in Conflict Resolution Masters Program, Parent Coordinator and Divorce Coach since 2005. Pam is on the rosters in Cobb, Cherokee, DeKalb and mediates in Gwinnett, Forsyth, Hall and throughout the 9th District as well.
- **Education:** BS Poli Kennesaw State, Magna Cum Laude 1998. Masters in Human Resource Management, Keller School of Management, with Distinction, 2005.
- **ADR Fees:** \$300 per hour, 2 hour minimum. \$600 charged to cancelling party within 48 hours. Accepts Visa, Master Card, Amex, Discover, Zelle, Venmo and Cash App.
- Ms. Anderson will continue to offer mediation on the Zoom platform.
- **Email:** resolvetosolve@yahoo.com
- **Website:** www.resolve2solve.com

- **Areas of Experience:** International Mediator, General Civil, Domestic Relations, Domestic Violence and Juvenile Delinquency. Bilingual (Spanish/English). Mediates in either or both languages.
- **ADR Experience:** Fernando has been a registered mediator with the Georgia Office Of Dispute and Resolutions (G.O.D.R.) since November 2011. He has dedicated his whole career to advocating for the community, eliminating inequalities, peacemaking, and teaching leadership classes. Fernando has also been an interpreter in the judicial system for two decades, where he participated in all types of cases with the U.S. Attorney General, Georgia Attorney General, National Relations Board, Insurance Companies, State Courts, and "Call for Action" / Channel 5. These experiences motivated him to become a mediator.
- **Professional Experience:** Fernando has been trained in General Mediation at The Justice Center of Atlanta by Ms. Edith Primm, in Domestic Relations by Dr. Susan Raines, and in Juvenile Delinquency by Ms. Melissa Heard—three excellent and well-known mediators. Fernando has participated in hundreds of mediations, workers' compensation cases, personal injuries, juvenile delinquency, Landlord-tenant, and Channel 5 "Call for Action" cases. Being bilingual (English and Spanish) has made it easier for the participants to come to an agreement. As the Chair of the Human Relations Commission of Gwinnett County (H.R.C.), Fernando has acquired extensive experience in public service, public speaking, peacemaking, and community issues.
- **Education:** Fernando holds a Master of Science in International Conflict Management and Resolution from Kennesaw State University (K.S.U.) and a Bachelor of Science in Law and Criminal Justice Administration (Cum Laude) From Morris Brown College (H.B.C.U)
- Certified and registered in Virtual Mediation for safety and convenience.
- Certified Human Rights Consultant by the U.S. Institute of Diplomacy and Human Rights.

- **Languages:** English / Spanish, both fluently.
- **ADR Fees:** \$ 275.00 per hour/minimum two hours; cancellation/no-show fees apply (\$300) if notice is not received 48 hours prior to the scheduled mediation.
- **Email:** fernandrade@yahoo.com
- **Website:** <http://www.andradeandassociatesmediation.com>
- **Andrade and Associates Peacebuilding and Mediation Consulting:** Facebook, LinkedIn, YouTube, and Instagram.

5 DAVID EUGENE BARRETT, ESQ.

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- **Areas of Experience:** General Civil and Domestic.
- **Professional Experience:** 2012-Present: David E. Barrett, LLC. 1992-2012: Judge, Superior Court, Enotah Circuit. 1984-1992: David E. Barrett, Attorney at Law, Hiawassee, GA. 1984: Blasingame, Burch, Garrard & Bryant, PC, Athens, GA. 1980-1984: Erwin, Epting, Gibson, McLeod, & Blasingame, Athens, GA.
- **Education:** University of Georgia, School of Law, JD cum Laude, 1980. University of Georgia, BA (political science), Summa cum Laude, 1977. Kennesaw Junior College.
- **ADR Fees:** \$200.00 per hour, 2 hour minimum. 24 hour cancellation notice required.
- **Email:** david@davidbarrettlaw.com

6 DYANN W. BEATY

813-230-4096

- **Areas of Certification:** General Civil, Domestic, Domestic Violence, Probate
- **Professional Experience:** Magistrate Judge 2012 to present (semi-retired). Member of the Florida Bar since 1990.
- **Education:** Eckerd College, St. Petersburg Florida BA Human Resources/Clinical Counseling; Stetson University College of Law, St. Petersburg, Florida Juris Doctor, 1990.
- **ADR Fees:** \$225.00 per hour, 2 hour minimum. \$500 cancellation fee. \$500 No Show fee. Accepts: Zelle, Venmo, Credit Card with 3% processing fee applied
- **Mediation Locations:** In person throughout North Georgia, or via Zoom.
- **Email:** dyannbeatymediations@gmail.com Website: www.dwbmediations.com

7 BRUCE BENNETT, ESQ., C.P.A.

770-255-4810

- **Areas of Experience:** Business / Commercial Law; Civil Disputes; Complex Financial Litigation; Employment Law; Franchise Law; Healthcare Law; Intellectual Property; Real Estate Transactions
- **ADR Experience:** Attorney/CPA with over 30 years of business, financial and legal experience now serving as an independent arbitrator and mediator on several local, national and international ADR panels. Has presided as chair, panel, or sole arbitrator on over 300 cases and mediated over 2,000 disputes including many with complex financial and legal issues. Virtual, hybrid, and in-person sessions are welcome.

- **Professional Experience:** Prior to becoming a neutral, managed a litigation practice for several years after working as an executive for The Coca-Cola Company responsible for financial oversight of the North American Telecommunications Division. Before joining Coke was Controller and Human Resources Manager for Atlantic Envelope Company (AECO), the nation's second largest envelope manufacturing and filing equipment distribution company. Previous to AECO was Corporate Senior Auditor for National Service Industries, Inc., a Fortune 500 firm. Has served as a forensic accountant in white collar criminal cases and civil damage disputes.
- **Education:**
J.D., John Marshall Law School
M.A., Luther Rice University
B.B.A., University of Georgia
- **ADR Fees:** \$300 per hour with 2-hour minimum. A two-hour cancellation fee applies if the mediation or arbitration is cancelled / postponed within two business days prior to the start of a session.
- **Email:** bbennett@adrlogic.com
- **Website:** adrlogic.com

8 PERRY BINDER, ESQ.

9 SAIDA V. BRANDLE

678-266-2668

- **Areas of Experience:** Domestic relations including divorce, custody, child support, domestic violence, real estate, landlord/tenant, juvenile, workplace dispute and magistrate courts.
- **ADR Experience:** General civil, domestic relations, domestic violence, delinquency, juvenile deprivation, and arbitration.
- **Professional Experience:** Mediator, realtor, landlord tenant, teen mentor, education, non-profits, programs assistant, crisis management and first responder.
- **Education:** Bachelor of Arts in Human Service Delivery and Administration, 650 hours of training between the 9th District Mediation Office and the Hall County Courthouse, in Gainesville, Georgia. Certified Adolescent Mentor with Center Point in Gainesville, Georgia. Certified Substitute Teacher for Gainesville City Schools, Hall County and Gwinnett County School Districts.
- **Languages:** English and Spanish
- **ADR Fees:** Office fee: \$40. Rate per hour: \$200 (all fees are paid at the time of mediation and are split between the parties) Zoom mediations will have to have the two hour minimum and office fee paid upfront, 48 hours prior to mediation. After mediation is complete the remainder payment will be paid on the same day. 2-Hour Minimum; 48-Hour Cancellation Notice Required or Fee Assigned. Contact Saida for a detailed list of payment options
- **Email:** saidavbrandle@gmail.com
- **Website:** www.brandlemediation.com

10 PETER BRICKS, ESQ.

770-696-4577

- **Areas of Experience:** Personal Injury, Bankruptcy, General Civil Litigation
- **ADR Experience:** Peter has been a registered mediator with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolutions (GODR) since January 2022.
- **Professional Experience:** Peter has been in private practice since graduating law school in 2006. He has extensive experience in real estate, probate, and bankruptcy. Over the last decade, he has turned his focus primary to personal injury and general civil litigation. He has tried cases throughout various jurisdictions within Georgia.
- **Education:** Georgia State University, Juris Doctorate 2006. University of Texas at Austin Bachelor of Journalism, 1998.
- **ADR Fees:** \$200.00 per hour for virtual mediation(2 hour minimum). \$250.00 per hour in-person mediation(2 hour minimum). \$400 if canceled within 48 hours or no show. Accepts Visa, Mastercard, Amex, Discover and Zelle.
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- **Website:** www.brickslaw.com

11 WILLIAM F. BROGDON, ESQ.

770- 861-0171

- **ADR Fees:** \$300/hr.
- **Email:** brogdonlaw@gmail.com

12 SUSAN D. BROWN

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- **Areas of Experience:** Susan has practiced law in Northeast Georgia for 35 years, with experience in Family Law, Divorce, Custody, Child Support, Parenting Time, Domestic Violence, Guardian ad Litem, Adoption, Contracts, Real Estate, Personal Injury and General Civil Litigation.
- **ADR Experience:** Susan has been a mediator for 25 years, conducting in person, virtual and hybrid mediations. Susan is certified to mediate all types of civil and domestic cases including cases involving domestic violence, although she mediates a variety of ordered and privately scheduled mediations in the Mountain, Enotah, Piedmont, Appalachian and Gwinnett Judicial Circuits.
- **Professional Experience:** Susan was in private practice from 1992 to 2021, practicing in Divorce, Family Law, Adoption, Criminal Law, Probate, Juvenile Law, Guardian ad Litem and Mediation services. Susan was a Staff Attorney for the Hon. Richard W. Story in the Northeastern Judicial Circuit from 1989-1992, and Staff Attorney for Hon. Clint G. Bearden from 2021-2025.
- **Education:** University of Georgia, School of Law, J.D., 1989. Alma College, B.A., 1986.
- **ADR Fees:** \$300.00 per hour, minimum 2-hours, Law Pay, Venmo, PayPal, Zelle and Firm Checks accepted, cash is accepted for in person mediation, 2-hour fee for cancellations less than 48 hours prior to session.
- **Email:** susan@colemanchambers.com
- **Website:** www.colemanchambers.com

- **Areas of Experience:** Family law.
- **ADR Experience:** Registered neutral with Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution in General Civil Mediation and Domestic Relations Mediation.
- **Professional Experience:** Practiced in the area of family law throughout career, advocating in divorces, child support modifications, and child custody matters. Also served as a court appointed guardian ad litem for a number of years in juvenile courts across Georgia.
- **Education:** University of Georgia, 1999. University of Georgia School of Law, 2002
- **Languages:** English and Spanish
- **ADR Fees:** \$275 per hour, with 2-hour minimum. English/Spanish interpretation services are included in fee. A cancellation fee of \$300 applies in cancellation occurs within 48 hours. Credit cards and cash are accepted. Available after-hours and weekends
- **Email:** jamesoncampbell1@gmail.com

- **Areas of Experience:** Divorce mediations, Magistrate Court- small claims, including but not limited to: workplace disputes, landlord/tenant, contracts, construction, general and civil matters. Pre-warrant mediations.
- **ADR Experience:** A trained and registered Neutral with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution since 2007. Mrs. Carroll works privately and with the following court programs: Gwinnett County and Ninth Judicial District.
- **Professional Experience:** 2007-Present: Mediator. 2012-Present: Program Manager-Mentor Me North Georgia. 2003-Present: Executive Director and acting President of Hall Family Initiative Residences, Inc. Hall FIR, Inc. is a not for profit corporation that provides permanent, supportive housing to those that suffer from a chronic mental illness.
- **Education:** University of Georgia, B.S. Psychology, 2001.
- **ADR Fees:** \$ 175.00 per hour. 2 hour minimum cancellation fee for cancellations with less than a 72 hour notice.
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- **Website:** www.carrollconflictresolution.com

- **Areas of Experience:** Construction, personal injury, contracts, real property, small business representation, and collection.
- **ADR Experience:** Practicing attorney licensed in the State of Georgia, Mr. Chambers has participated in the Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) process since 1997. He is a registered Neutral with the State of Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution for business, civil and general mediations. He was a former State Court Judge in Hall County, Georgia.

- **Professional Experience:** 1996-Present: Coleman & Chambers, LLP Gainesville, GA. Partner Mr. Chambers' litigation practice concentration was on construction, personal injury, business disputes, condemnation, contracts, real property, collections and municipal law. 1999-2004: State Court Judge Hall County (Associate/Part-time Judge). Civil and criminal motions (over 150 trials bench and jury). Numerous Domestic bench trials and criminal plea days by appointment for Superior Court Judges. 1996: Hunt, Coleman, Vaughan & Chambers, PA, Gainesville, GA. Partner, focus on construction disputes, contract disputes, real property and general business representation. 1993-1996: Whelchel, Dunlap & Gignilliat, Gainesville, GA, Associate real property law, commercial and business representation. 1990-1993: Assistant District Attorney, Northeastern Judicial Circuit, Felony trial term for Hall, Dawson, Lumpkin and White Counties.
- **Education:** Gainesville Junior College, 1984. Mercer University, B.A. 1987. Mercer University, Walter F. George School of Law, J.D., 1989.
- **ADR Fees:** \$400.00 per hour, 2 hour minimum with a 48 hour cancellation term. \$100.00 per hour/per party if three or more parties are involved.
- **Website:** www.colemanchambers.com

16 CHRIS CHAPPELL, ESQ.

678-749-4013

- **Areas of Experience:** Family Law (divorce, custody, child support); Contracts (breach, damages, formation); Landlord/Tenant; Construction Law; Business Law; Wills and Estates.
- **ADR Experience:** Began mediating cases part time starting in 2005 and full time since 2013. Has mediated various General/Civil Cases and Domestic cases. Mediation experience includes Magistrate, Superior, and Appeals court mediations. Excels at tailoring and adapting methods and techniques towards each unique mediation session and each party's needs.
- **Professional Experience:** Began Law practice with a focus on Family, Business, and Real Estate Law. Has been a practicing attorney for 12 years.
- **Education:** J.D. Mississippi College School of law, (2011). B.S. Kennesaw State University, Political Science with minor in Alternative Dispute Resolution (2005). General Civil Training in mediation (2005 and 2013). Divorce and Family Mediation Training (2014). Specialized Issues in Domestic Violence (2017).
- **ADR Fees:** \$250.00 per hour; \$500.00 cancellation fee if less than 24-hour notice. Accepts Cash, Check, Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover Card. Available nights and weekends.
- **Email:** cchappell54@gmail.com

17 MICHAEL A. CHASTAIN

706-300-1581

- **Areas of Experience:** Family Law (divorce, custody, child support); Probate Law; Wills and Estates, Contracts (breach, damages, formation); Landlord/Tenant; Construction Law; Business Law.
- **ADR Experience:** Registered as a Neutral with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution for General Civil as well as Domestic Law Mediation.
- **Professional Experience:** Probate Court Judge January 2001- Present, Magistrate Court Judge 2012- Present

- **Education:** Associate degree Business Administration, B.S. Criminal Justice, MPA Columbus State University.
- **ADR Fees:** \$300.00 per hour with 3-hour minimum; \$500.00 cancellation fee if less than 3 business day notice.
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- **Website:** <http://crossroadsfamilymediation.com>

18 ANN S. CLANTON

770-633-2597

- **Areas of Experience:** Domestic, Commercial-business to business, construction, employment, and discrimination.
- **ADR Experience:** Registered as a mediator-neutral with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution. Ms. Clanton has been mediation cases since 1978. She is a member of the Panel of Neutrals with Henning Mediation & Arbitration Services, Inc., Atlanta. President of the Georgia Council for Dispute Resolution, 40 hours training for certification, Atlanta Justice Center, 40 hours Domestic Training, Betty Manly.
- **Professional Experience:** 1984-1988: President, Legal Ease, Inc. Atlanta, Ga. 1988-1993: Vice President, MLQ Attorney Services, Inc., Atlanta, GA. 1993-1998: Vice President, DeopNet, Inc., Atlanta, GA. 1998-Present: President, eNeutral, Inc. a subsidiary of Henning Mediation & Arbitration Services, Inc. Atlanta, GA, Videoconference Dispute Resolution.
- **Education:** Samford University, Graduate Studies. NC State University, Graduate Studies.
- **ADR Fees:** \$100 per party per hour, 2 hour minimum.

19 HERMAN CLARK, ESQ.

706-273-4059 AND 706-635-1010

- **Areas of Experience:** Extensive experience in: Environmental Law; Zoning and Land use planning law; corporate law; business law; governmental law; insurance law; personal law; domestic law; construction, engineering and property law; litigation.
- **ADR Experience:** Mediator in the North Georgia area since the early 1990's, State Certified Mediator and Early Intervention Neutral, Certified Arbitrator with AAA for over 40 years (Construction Arbitration Panel).
- **Professional Experience:** 1989- Present: Practicing Attorney. 1980-1989: General Counsel (Engineering Firm). 1979-1980: Senior Contract Administrator. 1972-1979: Chief Director Construction, Specifications and Engineering.
- **Education:** U.S. Air Force Education includes Contract Administration, Government Contract and Civil Law. Military: Justice Air Command and Staff College; Air War College. Brenau University, B.S. in Professional Studies, 2 years Civil Engineering Undergraduate work. Woodrow Wilson College of Law, J.D. Cum Laude, 1978.
- **ADR Fees:** \$300.00 per hour, 2 hour minimum. \$75.00 per hour travel charge for matters outside the Appalachian Judicial Circuit and a \$300.00 cancelation fee for cancelations within 48 business hours
- **Email:** hermanclark@cac-law.com

- **Areas of Experience:** Domestic relations including divorce and child support, landlord/tenant, neighbor, and workplace disputes. Pre-warrant mediation including dispossessory and criminal mediations.
- **ADR Experience:** Certified mediator for general civil and domestic relations cases. Training through Henning Mediation and Arbitration Services, Inc.
- **Professional Experience:** 1989-2014. Sr. United States Probation Officer, Northern District of Georgia, Atlanta and Gainesville Divisions.
- **Education:** University of West Georgia, B.S., 1985
- **ADR Fees:** \$175 per hour, two hours minimum 48-hour cancellation notice required.
- **Email:** sallieclark@bellsouth.net

- **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 & Rogers, LLP: Gainesville, Georgia. Partner with: Insurance Defense, Personal Injury, Construction disputes, Juvenile, Domestic, Contracts, Collection and Employment experience. 1996: Hunt, Coleman, Vaughan & Chambers, PA, Gainesville, GA: Partner focusing on collections construction disputes, contract disputes, juvenile, domestic, child custody and personal injury. 1994-1996: Hunt, Coleman, Vaughan & Chambers, PA: Gainesville, GA, focusing on commercial and business litigation, personal injury, divorce, contracts disputes, construction disputes and collection matters. 1993-1994: Hunt & Coleman, PA: Gainesville, GA, Partner, civil litigation, including business disputes, personal injury, divorce and custody. 1989-1993: Smith, Gilliam & Williams, PA: Gainesville, GA, 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:** \$350.00 per hour for two (2) party cases, or \$175.00 per party, per hour. For parties of three (3) or more, his fee is \$175.00 per party, per hour. His travel fee is \$175.00 per hour to and from mediations outside of Gainesville, Georgia.
- **Email:** bob@colemanchambers.com
- **Website:** www.colemanchambers.com

- **Areas of Experience:** Superior Court Judge 1998-2010, Domestic Law, Divorce, Child Custody, Child Support & Modification cases, Contracts, Commercial & Business Litigation, Personal Injury, Municipal & County Government Cases, Trust & Estates, Criminal Law.
- **ADR Experiences:** Trained and Certified by Henning Mediation & Arbitration Services, Inc. Registered as a General and Domestic Mediator with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution. While serving as a Superior Court Judge applied mediation principals to many cases whether deciding a case on its merits or after conferring with counsel.
- **Professional Experiences:** 2010-Present: Cornwell Law, LLC, Attorney. 1999-2010: Superior Court Judge, Mountain Judicial Circuit. 1981-1999: Solicitor, State Court of Stephens County. 1977-1998: Attorney, Private Practice.
- **Education:** Clemson University, B.S. 1973. University of South Carolina School of Law 1974. Woodrow Wilson College of Law, JD 1977. National Judicial College, General Jurisdiction 2000.
- **ADR Fees:** \$220.00 per hour, 2 hour minimum. \$440.00 No show/cancellation fee for less than a 48 hour notice.
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- **Website:** www.cornwelllaw.com

- **Areas of Experience:** General civil litigation, including small claims/Magistrate Court, personal injury/torts, landlord/tenant, insurance disputes, property and neighbor disputes, contracts
- **Professional Experiences:** Chief Assistant District Attorney, Enotah Judicial Circuit, 2011-2015 (retirement) Assistant District Attorney, Enotah and Appalachian Circuits, 2001-2010 Georgia Attorney's Office, civil litigation, state and federal courts, 1986-2001 Private insurance defense practice, Atlanta, 1984-1986 Active member of State Bar of Georgia since June 1984 Martindale-Hubbell AV rating
- **Education:** Mercer University Walter F. George School of Law, Juris Doctor, cum laude, 1984 Mercer University College of Liberal Arts, Bachelor of Arts, magna cum laude, 1981 Young Harris College, 1978-1979 Fannin County High School, 1978, with honors
- **ADR Fees:** \$ \$150 per hour in Fannin, Union and Gilmer counties, \$200 per hour with two hour minimum in other counties. 24 hour cancellation required. Payment by cash or firm or certified check only.
- **Email:** ccoxbrakefield@gmail.com

- **Areas of Experience:** Family Law: divorce, child custody, child support, modification of custody and support, paternity, legitimation, adoption, elder law, hospice care and end of life issues and probate.

- **ADR Experience:**Trainer/Lecturer: Georgia Family law- Mediation training program- Atlanta Justice Center-2007- current. Speaker- Georgia Mediators Association Seminar –Mediation Hot Topics and Trends, 2014. Speaker- Georgia Mediators Association Seminar- Online and Face to Face: Future Mediation, 2012. Immediate Past President-Georgia Mediators Association. Member- Alternative Dispute Resolution Section State Bar of Georgia. Certified Mediator- Office of Dispute Resolution, 2000-current. Registered Court Rosters: Cobb County, Gwinnett County, 7th District, and 9th District. Private Mediator, 2000- Current. Private Arbitrator, 2007- Current.
- **Professional Experience:** Owner: Dettmering Mediation, 2006- Current. Founding Partner: Gentry, Smith, Dettmering, Morgan & Schnatmeier, LLP, 2006- Current. Member of Cobb Divorce team 2014-Curent. Admitted to Practice Law: State of Georgia, 1985-Current, Supreme Court State of Georgia, 1985-Current, Supreme Court of the United States, 2000- Current.
- **Education:** University of Wisconsin – Madison – Bachelor of Arts. Emory University School of Law-Juris Doctor, 1985.
- **ADR Fees:** \$250.00 per hour, 2 hour minimum. \$500 cancellation fee. \$500 No Show fee. Accepts: Zelle, Venmo, Gredit Card with 3% processing fee applied.
- **Mediation Locations:** Conference room available at no additional charge: Dettmering Mediation: 278 North Marietta Parkway, Marietta, GA.
- **Email:** ann@cobbcountyattorneys.com

25 KATHLEEN (KIT) J. DEVINE

678-773-9120

- **Areas of Experience:** General Civil, Family & Domestic and Juvenile Delinquency Mediation. Professional experience in Criminal Law, Employment, domestic violence, experience working with addiction and recovery populations and faith-based populations.
- **ADR Experience:** Certified by and registered with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution in General Civil, Family/Domestic Relations and Juvenile Delinquency Mediation. Also trained in mediation church conflict.
- **Professional Experience:** Ms. Devine has 10 years’ experience with the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, 13 years’ experience as a Human Resource Executive (including manufacturing, restaurant/entertainment, and Native American Government entities), and 12 years’ experience as an Assistant District Attorney in Hall and Dawson Counties. Ms. Devine served as chair of the Domestic Violence Task Force in Hall County for two years. She also served as a certified Stephen Minister Leader in the United Methodist Church and mediates conflicts within the church. Currently serves Hall County Juvenile Court as a child attorney and Guardian Ad Litem in dependency actions and is a parent attorney for Family Treatment Court.
- **Education:** Georgia State College and University, B.A., 1982. Emory University School of Law, J.D., 2001.
- **ADR Fees:** \$200.00 per hour, 1 hour minimum.
- **Email:** devinefive9@gmail.com

26 LAUREN D. DEVINE, ESQ.

470-978-7715

- **Areas of Experience:** Family law

- **ADR Experience:** Registered to serve as a neutral in General Civil, Domestic Relations and Domestic Violence mediations.
- **Professional Experience:** Lauren exclusively practiced family law until 2023, when she formed Devine Divorce Mediation, LLC to focus entirely on mediating cases. Lauren was recognized by her peers as a Georgia Super Lawyers Rising Star Honoree in 2021, 2022, and 2023. While in law school, Lauren interned with the Honorable Jane C. Barwick of the Superior Court of Fulton County, where she observed numerous court proceedings involving family law matters and conducted extensive research on the subject of family law.
- **Education:** Georgia State University College of Law, JD (*cum laude*), 2017. University of Missouri, BA (Mass Media and Political Communication) with a minor in Political Science, 2012. Admitted to practice law in Georgia in 2017.
- **ADR Fees:** \$150.00 per hour, 2-hour minimum. \$300 if cancelled within 24 hours or no show.
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- **Online Calendar:** <https://calendly.com/devinedivorcemediation>

27 MEREDITH DITCHEN-OAKLEY, ESQ.

770-401-2997

- **Areas of Experience:** Family Law, Estates, Guardianship and Probate, Divorce, Legitimation, Custody, Modifications, Child Support, Visitation
- **ADR Experience:** Registered Mediator since 2006, Registered in Arbitration since 2007, Domestic Violence in 2016, also trained as a Parent Coordinator in 2014 and has served as a Guardian Ad Litem in Cobb, Douglas, Cherokee, Gwinnett and Fulton Counties since 2001. On the ADR roster in Cobb County and mediates throughout metro Atlanta.
- **Professional Experience:** Admitted to Georgia Bar in 1998, practiced law in metro Atlanta primarily in family law, adoptions, estates and probate, guardianships since 1998. Has practiced as a Guardian Ad Litem since 2001, Parent Coordinator since 2014 and has been mediating cases since 2006.
- **Education:** B.S in Political Science and French in 1992, with honors; J.D. Marquette University Law School 1997, cum laude
- **ADR Fees:** \$300.00 per hour, 2 hour cancellation fee to the cancelling party if cancelled in less than 48 hours and if less than 24 hours or a no show at mediation, 4 hour cancellation fee to the cancelling/no show party.
- **Payments accepted:** Cash, Attorney Check and party checks guaranteed by attorney, credit and debit cards (Discover, Master Card, American Express and Visa). \$35.00 returned check fees
- **Email:** mditchen@ditchenlaw.com

28 JULIE ELIZABETH ERNST, ESQ. (JULIE ERNST-FORTIN-PC)

770-613-9524

- **Areas of Experience:** 30 years' experience specializing in Family Law/Domestic Relations (Divorce, Custody, Child Support, Parenting Time, Domestic Violence, Juvenile Deprivation,

Guardian ad Litem), including Probate, Estate Planning, Contracts, Real Estate, Personal Injury, Landlord/Tenant, Collections and Employment cases.

- **ADR Experience:** Ms. Ernst mediates 4-6 family law cases per week for lawyers with pending court cases and parties wishing to settle prior to filing. She's mediated thousands of divorce, custody, child support and complex domestic relations cases throughout Georgia, in-person and online. Watch her video on virtual mediation at <https://julieernst.com/zoom-tips> . With over 300 hours of advanced training, she's authorized to mediate Domestic Relations, Domestic Violence and Juvenile Deprivation cases. She's trained mediators, judged mediation competitions, consults on how to negotiate most effectively, and serves as Guardian ad Litem. A member of the Family Law Section of the State Bar of Georgia, Forsyth Bar Association, Atlanta Bar Association and Gwinnett Bar Association, she's certified to be selected by the parties and is approved to accept court-referred mediations in the Sixth, Seventh, Ninth and Tenth Districts of Georgia, as well as Fulton, Dekalb, Gwinnett, Clayton and Cobb Counties. Through <https://agreetodivorce.com/>, Ms. Ernst works with couples to settle all issues before filing for divorce and provides flat fee uncontested and cooperative divorces.
- **Professional Experience:** Private Practice in Divorce, Family Law and Mediation services since 1999, including flat fee uncontested and cooperative divorce. Supervising and Staff Attorney for Georgia Legal Services Program, Inc., 1995 to 1999. Assistant Public Defender, Northern Judicial Circuit 1994-1995. Tobin & Hoffspiegel 1993-1994.
- **Education:** Georgia State University, College of Law, J.D., 1994. Miami University, School of Arts & Sciences, B.A., 1989.
- **ADR Fees:** \$300.00 per hour, minimum 2-hours, Credit/Debit cards accepted, 2-hour fee for cancellations less than 48 hours prior to session.
- **Email:** julie@agreetodivorce.com
- **Website:** To check availability and schedule mediation: <https://julieernst.com>; For those interested in divorce: <https://agreetodivorce.com>

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- **Areas of Experience:** General Civil Litigation (including Personal injury, contracts, probate matters, and landlord/tenant disputes) with an emphasis on Domestic matters including Divorce, Custody, Child Support and Domestic Violence.
 - **ADR Experience:** Ms. Fishman is currently certified to mediate all types of civil and domestic cases including cases involving domestic violence. Although she mediates a variety of cases, the majority of her mediations are in the domestic areas. Ms. Fishman accepts both court ordered and privately scheduled mediations. She has 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-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:** \$250.00 per hour, 2-hour minimum, 48 hour cancellation notice or \$500.00 fee.
- **Email:** altsolts@earthlink.net

30 KRISTINE FLETCHER , ESQ.

678-880-4023

- **Areas of Experience:** Family Law/Juvenile Law/Grandparent Custody/ Divorce/ Custody/ Parenting Time/Modification/Contempt/Legitimation/Domestic Violence/Probate
- **ADR Experience:** Registered as a mediator since 2011. Also registered in Domestic cases, Domestic Violence cases, Probate cases and as an Arbitrator.
- **Professional Experience:** Kristine is the owner of Kristine M. Fletcher, LLC, founded in 2014, where she mediates, serves as a Guardian ad Litem, and practices family law and juvenile law. She represents children, parents, grandparents, and relatives in all manner of domestic and juvenile practice. She is admitted to practice in all the state trial courts of Georgia, the Georgia Court of Appeals, and the Supreme Court of Georgia.
 Kristine began her career with a small family law firm in Cherokee County, where she represented men and women as marriages came to an end or family law issues were litigated. She also represented parents and children in dependency proceedings before the Juvenile Court when children were removed from their homes. Kristine then worked for a different small firm in Canton, where she represented clients in family law matters and represented DFCS as a prosecutor in dependency proceedings before the Juvenile Court.
 Kristine is also a member of the Amicable Divorce Network as both a mediator and a litigator.
- **Education:** BBA University of Georgia 2008, JD Georgia State University School of Law 2011, admitted to practice law in Georgia in 2011.
- **ADR Fees:** \$300.00 per hour. Accepts, cash, checks and credit cards.
- **Email:** kf@kfletcherlaw.com
- **Website:** www.kfletcherlaw.com or book directly at <https://calendly.com/kfletcherlaw/mediation>

31 ANDY FLINK

770-354-3471

- **Areas of Experience:** Domestic and Business Mediation, Arbitration. Divorce, modifications, contempt actions, child custody, visitation, child support, business disputes, trusts, estates and real estate.
- **ADR Experience:** In the past 7 years Andy has mediated over 1000 domestic and business disputes, both court connected and privately. Andy has always had an entrepreneurial spirit, starting his first retail business while a junior in college. His retail experience led him to ultimately being appointed Chairman of the Board of Directors of a retail company that was sold to a publicly traded NASDAQ Fortune 500 entity. He has specific expertise in cases that require in depth experience of complex financial issues. As a once divorced dad himself, Andy also has extensive personal knowledge with respect to custody issues. Andy is a registered neutral with the GODR and a roster member of Cobb, DeKalb and Fulton counties as well as the 9th District ADR. He is a contributing author on the subject of mediation to the State Bar of Georgia Family Law Review, The Atlanta Bar Association and the Cobb Quarterly review, and has mediated with more than 450 Atlanta and surrounding area family lawyers. Most recently Andy was asked to

speak on the subject of mediation at the 2017 Family Law and was appointed to the on-site mediation roster in Fulton County Superior Court.

- **Professional Experience:** Shareholder and board chairman for Harmon Stores, \$85+ million retail conglomerate, (sold in 2002) as well as owner and founder of Players World, a regional sporting goods chain located in the Southeast (sold in 2008). One year later Andy founded Flink Consulting, LLC, a full- service mediation, arbitration and consulting firm.
- **Education:** BBA Accounting/Banking/Finance, University of Georgia.
- **ADR Fees:** \$325.00 per hour. Two-hour fee charged for cancellations inside of 48 hours, Four-hour fee charged for cancellations inside of 24 hours. Forms of payment accepted include cash, checks and credit cards at no extra fee.
- **Email:** andy@andyflink.com
- **Website:** www.andyflink.com

32 TERESA M. GARCIA, ESQ.

770-723-0900

- **Areas of Experience:** Civil, Domestic, and Domestic Violence
- **ADR Experience:** Ms. Garcia has had a private practice in family and adoption law since 1996. She is fluent in Spanish and serves the English and Spanish speaking community. She is certified in general civil, domestic relations, domestic violence mediation, and arbitration and is also registered as a mediator with Cobb and Gwinnett Counties and the 6th and 7th Judicial Districts. She has served as a mediator since 2012 and mediated more than 200 cases.
- **Professional Experience:** 1996 to Present: Law Office of Teresa M. Garcia, LLC. Tucker, Georgia;
- **Education:** Emory School of Law, J.D.; Vassar College, B.A.
- **ADR Fees:** \$ 200.00 per hour. Ms. Garcia accepts attorney's checks, payments by credit/debit card via Square (with a 4% surcharge) and Zelle
- **Email:** tgarcia@tgarcialaw.com

33 LINDA GETTLE, ESQ.

770-795-8000

- **Areas of Experience:** Family Law.
- **ADR Experience:** Although I was a family law lawyer and guardian ad litem for many years, I now have been mediating full time for over 15 years. I was registered as a neutral in 1998. I have mediated over 7,000 family law cases. I am domestic violence trained and arbitration trained. I typically book 2 mediations a day but will book a full day for mediation. I am available on most Saturdays if need be.
- **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, cum laude; Woodrow Wilson College of Law, 1987 summa cum laude/Valedictorian.
- **ADR Fees:** \$250.00 per hour, two hour minimum. \$500.00 cancellation fee if cancelled less than 3 business days (except legal conflict). Cash or check.

- **Areas of Experience:** General Civil, Domestic Relations, and Juvenile Dependency and Delinquency.
- **ADR Experience:** Ms. Glass is a registered mediator with the Georgia office of Dispute Resolution since January 2014. She focuses her career in the Spanish Community in this country. Her past assignments have resulted in an opportunity to grow and function in many roles and responsibilities. The US opened the doors for The Alternative Dispute Resolution filed. She was training in domestic relations, domestic violence, and juvenile dependency and delinquency cases. Her bilingual skills allow her to work in Spanish, when allowed, and translate into English. Ms. Glass serves as a neutral at the Superior Cobb County Court and the 9th Judicial District in Gainesville, and Clayton Judicial Circuit ADR.
- **Professional Experience:** Ms. Glass is a bilingual professional with local and international corporate experience functioning in a multicultural environment. Such positions have incorporated experience in standardizing corporate efficiency assessment/training using the “continuous improvement model”. She has worked for the Department of Justice in Atlanta, subcontracted by private companies that offer translation services. She has been the office manager for a family business developing many clerical and accounting duties, plus legal contracts. She worked for the Federal Judiciary of Tucuman for five years, contracted by the Honorable National Supreme Court to serve a judiciary Governor, Senator Representatives while coordinated training lectures addressed to those assigned for presiding elections and voting activities. She has been working on foreign county political affairs., serving the Consulate General of Argentina in Atlanta for over two years as a consular assistant.
- **Education:** Graduated as Doctor in Law and Solicitor from the National University of Tucuman, holding a degree in Translation.
- **ADR Fees:** \$200.00 per hour.
- **Email:** nancypglass@gmail.com

- **Areas of Experience:** General, and Early Neutral Evaluation.
- **ADR Experience:** Founder of AIM (Atlanta Independent Mediators), Mr. Gold has averaged three to five cases per week as an ADR neutral (mediator, case evaluator and arbitrator) for many years through court-annexed programs in DeKalb, Cobb, Gwinnett, Fulton, 7th JAD, 9th JAD, NASD, and in private sessions. Formerly with Henning Mediation and Arbitration Services and Miles Mediation, NASD Arbitration Panelist and Chairperson.
- **Professional Experience:** Practicing attorney in Georgia since 1984. Transitioned to full-time mediation in 2003. Legal career began as an in-house attorney for Rich’s Department Stores handling General Corporate, Contracts, General Liability and Works Compensation from defense perspective for four 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:** Virtual mediation only: \$165.00 per party per hour, \$135.00 per party per hour for three or parties, 3 hour minimum.

- **Cancellation Fees:** Two hours if less than 48 business day hours' notice.
- **Email:** stevenjgold711@gmail.com

36 LYNN H. GOLDMAN, ESQ.

404-275-9678

- **Areas of Experience:** Custody, Dependency, Delinquency, Adoption and Family Law.
- **ADR Experience:** Registered as a Domestic, Delinquency, and Dependency Mediator. Ms. Goldman has been mediation for over 12 years in child related cases. She also is a consultant with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution to help create new juvenile court mediation programs around the state. In this role she drafted the current law on mediation in the juvenile courts. Ms. Goldman regularly trains attorneys, mediators, judges and other court stakeholders on the use of mediation. She also started the dependency mediation program in Fulton County Juvenile Court and was the director for four years.
- **Professional Experience:** 2014- present: Attorney with Claiboren|Fox|Bradley, LLC. 2010-2014: Mediation Director-Fulton Juvenile Court. 2005-2009: Program Manager- One Child, One Lawyer, AVLF. 1998-2002: Attorney with Atlanta Legal Aid Society. 193-1995: Clayton County Department of Family and Children Services.
- **Education:** Bachelors of Social Work from the University of Alabama, 1993, JD from the University of Georgia School of Law, 1998. Admitted to the State Bar of Georgia, 1998. Registered Mediator since 2003.
- **ADR Fees:** \$250.00 per hour, 2 hour minimum.

37 WHITNEY WINBURN GOODSTONE

706-207-2923

- **Areas of Experience:** Domestic/Domestic Violence mediations including custody, parenting plans, child support calculations, spousal support, division of property, and modifications; General Civil Mediation in matters of personal injury, business, contracts, employment, insurance, real property, and construction litigation; Dependency mediations; and Juvenile Delinquency mediations.
- **ADR Experience:** In addition to studying law in Sydney and practicing law with a large Australian law firm, Whitney Goodstone is a registered and experienced Neutral with the State of Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution. Whitney has extensive and diverse training, along with life and business experiences, that enable her to help parties creatively resolve their issues. Since 2012, Whitney has mediated over 1200 matters throughout North Georgia.
- **Professional Experience:** Mediator, arbitrator and owner of Advance ADR LLC, a mediation and arbitration firm; Mediation Coach, University of Georgia School of Law; Mediation Coach, JW Fanning Institute for Leadership Development; Vice President, Wirko LLC, importer/exporter; President, Top Cabinets USA LLC, importer/supplier; Realtor, 3tree Realty LLC (Athens, GA), and Executive Assistant, Deep Roots Property Management LLC
- **Past Professional Experience:** Lawyer, Corrs Chambers Westgarth (Sydney, Australia), a world class corporate law firm with offices in Sydney, Melbourne, Perth and Brisbane
- **Education:** University of Georgia - BBA Double Major International Business / Finance; University of New South Wales Faculty of Law - Bachelor of Laws (Sydney, Australia).
- **ADR Fees:** \$225.00 per hour*

*will negotiate travel rates for locations outside northeast Georgia
48-Hour Cancellation Notice required or \$300 fee applies

- **Email:** whitney@advanceadr.com
- **Website:** www.advanceadr.com

38 INEZ GRANT, GILLSVILLE LAW, INC.

770 297-0620

- **Areas of Experience:** Domestic/Domestic Violence mediations including custody, parenting plans, child support calculations, spousal support, division of property, and modification of divorce decrees; General Civil Mediation in matters of business, contracts, and other litigation; Dependency mediations; and Juvenile Delinquency mediations.
- Virtual or on-site mediation services
- Bilingual services available.
- **ADR Experience:** Inez is a practicing attorney licensed in the State of Georgia since 1992. Inez was part of the original adoption of mediation within the Court system in Hall County. She focuses her practice on family law, juvenile law, criminal law and immigration. She has a fully bilingual staff and is able to provide interpreters for mediation. Inez received her training from the Justice Center of Atlanta, Inc and received her divorce mediation from Henning Mediation and Arbitration Services. Inez is registered with State of Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution
- Inez is also one of the partners in EQUAL GROUND MEDIATION SERVICES which also offers joint and dual mediations in all areas listed above by zoom or in person. You can reach <https://equalgroundmediationservices.com/>.
- **Professional Experience:** 1992-2008 Prosecutor with various State and Superior Courts in Hall, Barrow and Forsyth Counties. 2008-present private general practice Gillsville Law, LLC (with a brief return to prosecution from 2013 until 2015) covering North Georgia area. Gillsville Law, LLC is located on historic Green Street and can accommodate mediation within the office building. Member of Brenau Mediation Advisory Board.
- **Education:** Brenau College BA, John Marshall Law School (1992)
- **ADR Fees:** \$225.00 per hour 48 hour cancellation Notice or cancellation fee of \$200.00.
- **Accepted methods of payment:** Check, cash, credit or debit card at the end of the mediation session.
- **Email:** inez@gillsvillelaw.com or receptionist@gillsvillelaw.com(bilingual)
- **Website:** www.gillsvillelaw.com

39 MAGGIE GRANT,

310 717 6937

- **Areas of Experience:** General Civil (all areas); Certified Paralegal and worked in the Real Estate and Mortgage fields as a Paralegal; Mortgage Processor and Closing Agent; Worked for Thomson-West as a sales representative and national research trainer on Westlaw; As a filmmaker, actor, writer and producer, skilled in creating a harmonious negotiating process and building team environments. Comfortable speaking in front of any size group and teaching.
- **Professional Experience:** Maggie is also partners with her sister, Attorney Inez Grant, at EQUAL GROUND MEDIATION SERVICES. Offering MEDIATION and ARBITRATION SERVICES. <https://equalgroundmediationservices.godaddysites.com/> Offering VIRTUAL (ZOOM) mediations

in the areas of: DOMESTIC MEDIATIONS- Divorce, Settlements, Modifications; FAMILY LAW - Adoption, Legitimizations, etc.; JUVENILE; CIVIL; and ELDER LAW. We offer a free 20-minute consultation.

- **Education:** Graduated with a BS in Political Science/BA in Theatre, University Miami/Florida; International University; Certified Paralegal University of Miami; Abraham Lincoln Law School Los Angeles, CA; Capella Law School San Jose, CA
- **ADR Fees:** \$225.00 per hour 48 hour cancellation Notice or cancellation fee of \$200.00.
- Very flexible schedule
- **Email:** myaccessga@gmail.com
- Available on short notice

40 DANIEL E. GULDEN, ESQ.

404-303-8250

- **Areas of Experience:** Commercial, Contracts, Employment, Estate & Probate, Domestic, Personal Injury.
- **ADR Experience:** **Mediation:** 30+ years and 2,500+ cases of mediation experience involving business, commercial/contract, real estate, accounting, estate & probate, divorce, employment and securities.
Arbitration: 30+ years and 200+ cases involving business/contract, securities, accounting. Dan is in private practice now focusing solely on alternative dispute resolution and has mediated and arbitrated a wide variety of cases. He has mediated for Metro Atlanta and Central Georgia court programs, the AAA (American Arbitration Assn.), the Justice Center of Atlanta, FINRA (Financial Industry Regulatory Authority), and national panels in employment cases for Fortune 500 companies and Federal agencies. Dan is a Board member & former Chair of the DR Section of the Atlanta Bar Assn. His memberships include the Ga. Bar, Atlanta Bar Assn., Dekalb Bar Assn., Sandy Springs Bar Assn., NADN (National Assn. of Distinguished Neutrals, Diplomate Member), APFM (Association of Professional Family Mediators, Practitioner Member). He is available to conduct mediation on Zoom when in-person isn't practical.
- **Professional Experience:** Prior to focusing solely on alternative dispute resolution, Dan was in solo legal practice; served as Chief Admin. Officer and in-house counsel for a steel manufacturer and was responsible for the orderly wind-up of the company's affairs following its sale. Before that, he served as an attorney with the Office of Chief Counsel for the IRS in Washington, DC.
- **Education:** Georgetown U. Law Center, LL.M (Tax); Emory U. Law School, J.D.; Dartmouth College, A.B.
- **ADR Fees:** \$450 per hour (\$225 per side in a 2-party case). Cancellation Fee: \$450 if less than 48 business hours' notice.
- **Email:** gulden.adr@gmail.com
- **Website:** www.georgiamediators.org/daniel-gulden

- **Areas of Experience:** General and Civil mediation, including business, construction, litigation, contract, landlord/tenant; pre-warrant mediations, juvenile delinquency mediations, juvenile deprivation/dependency mediations.
- **ADR Experience:** 2011-Present: Registered Neutral with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution. Mediated in Magistrate courts in Forsyth, Hall Cherokee and Gilmer County. Mediated in State Courts in Cherokee and Hall County. Mediated in Juvenile Court in Dawson County.
- **Professional Experience:** Forsyth County, Cumming, GA: Coordinator, Victim Advocate Unite Sheriff's Office - 12 years. Litigation Paralegal (Civil and Criminal) - 17 years. Portman Properties, Atlanta, GA. Hansel Post Brandon and Dorsey, Atlanta, GA. Simon and Sheridan, Los Angeles, CA.
- **Education:** Georgia State University, B.S., Public and Urban Affairs, 1984 Magna cum Laude. University of Georgia, the Fanning Institute, Mediation Certificate, 2011. Juvenile Delinquency Certificate, GODR 2013. Juvenile Deprivation/Dependency Certificate, 2013, GODR.
- **ADR Fees:** \$125.00 per hour.
- **Email:** brendabhadaway@gmail.com

- **Areas of Experience:** Domestic, General Civil and Juvenile.
- **ADR Experience:** Certified Mediator for General Civil and Domestic cases. Has mediated hundreds of cases.
- **Professional Experience:** Department of Family and Children Services, High School Teacher, Executive Account Manager for National Brands in the food industry. Seven year of service with inmates in the Hall County Detention Center.
- **Education:** North Georgia College and State University, B.A. in English Education.
- **ADR Fees:** \$200.00 per hour.
- **Email:** susan.hamby@gmail.com

- **Areas of Experience:** General civil matters: contracts, corporation, commercial, negligence, personal injury, real property, zoning, land use, condemnations, HOA disputes, trusts, estates, municipal government matters, landlord/tenant, banking; Domestic matters: divorce, custody, support and modification, and; Criminal law.
- **ADR Experience:** Prior to assuming the bench at the beginning of 1997, Judge Harris completed 60 hours of mediation training. Near the end of his twenty-two years of judicial service, he completed another 80 hours of mediation training and then registered with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution. Trained in general civil mediation at the National Judicial College by noted trainer and mediator, Nancy Neal Yeend, he was also trained in domestic mediation at Henning Mediation and Arbitration Services by Patricia A. Siuta. He earlier completed arbitrator training from Henning.

- **Professional Experience:** 2001-2018: Superior Court Judge, Blue Ridge Judicial Circuit, Cherokee County. 2013-2018: Chief Judge. 1997-2001: Presiding Juvenile Court Judge, Cherokee County. 1983-1997: Attorney in Private Practice. 1981-1983: Staff Attorney to the Judges of the Blue Ridge Judicial Circuit.
- **Education:** Emory University, B.A., 1978. Mercer University School of Law, J.D., 1981. General Jurisdiction training at the National Judicial College, 2003.
- **ADR Fees:** \$350.00 per hour, no minimum.
- **Email:** office@jacksonharris.com

44 EDWARD L. HARTNESS

770-540-7415

- **Areas of Experience:** General civil matters: contracts, corporation, commercial, negligence, personal injury, real property, zoning, land use, condemnations, HOA disputes, trusts, estates, municipal government matters, landlord/tenant, banking; Domestic matters: divorce, custody, support and modification, and; Criminal law.
- **Areas of Experience:** All matters arising in probate, State and Superior Court, including but not limited to domestic relations, custody, contracts, corporations, partnerships, limited liability companies, business disputes, real property disputes, personal injury, commercial, construction, wills, trusts, estate and probate law, and general civil litigation.
- **ADR Experience:** Certified as a general mediator and as a domestic mediator.
- **Professional Experience:** General trial practice for 44 years since June of 1974, trying numerous cases in all of the above areas, with a concentration in family law and domestic relations.
- **Education:** University of Georgia, BBA in 1971, University of Georgia School of Law, J.D. in 1974
- **ADR Fees:** \$125.00 per hour per party, 2 hour minimum, \$250.00 cancellation fee within 2 days of mediation.
- **Email:** elhartness@bellsouth.net

45 MELISSA HEARD

770-778-7618(CELL) 404-523-8236 x204(OFFICE)

- **Areas of Experience:** Family matters (however family is defined), divorce, custody, legitimation, parenting time, modification, contempt, IPVA (domestic violence), workplace, Juvenile delinquency and dependency, probate, landlord tenant and other case types. In court connected and private cases, military, federal, state and local agencies.
- **Professional Experience:** Mediating since 1991, providing services in several thousand cases across various case types, states, and countries.
As of January 2024, Melissa has become the Executive Director of the Justice Center of Atlanta, Inc. and will be providing services under the non-profit. Mediation Trainer since 1999; Success Consulting & Mediation founder in private practice as a neutral and consultant since 2000; FEMA Reservist with the ADR Cadre serving disaster staff and survivors across the country since 2017; and Registered with the Georgia Commission in the following categories: General Civil, Domestic Relations, Specialized Domestic Violence, Probate, Special Education, Delinquency and Dependency Mediation.

- **Education:** Brenau University (Women’s College) 1992 BA; University of Tennessee, Knoxville – College of Social Work 1994 1994 MSSW.
- **ADR Fees:** Half day (\$800.00) or Full day (\$1,500.00) rate. Accepts checks and credit card payments. Zoom platform and in person available.
- **Email:** melissa@justicecenter.org

46 ANGELA J. HIGHSMITH

706-499-5285

- **Areas of Experience:** Divorce, custody, child support, parenting time, visitation, legitimation, modification, contempt, adoption, grandparent custody, domestic violence, juvenile dependency, homeschool education, elder law, and probate matters.
- **ADR Experience:** Registered Neutral with Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution in General Mediation, Domestic Relations Mediation, Specialized Domestic Violence Mediation, Juvenile Delinquency Mediation, Juvenile Dependency Mediation, and Non-Binding Arbitration. Ms. Highsmith has mediated divorce, custody, child support, parenting time, alimony, legitimation, adoption, termination of parental rights, civil cases, will contest, and probate matters.
- **Professional Experience:** Mediator, Arbitrator, Child Welfare Law Specialist, Guardian ad Litem, Associate Special Assistant Attorney General (for Division of Family and Children Services and Division of Aging Services), Family Law Attorney, Superior Court Law Clerk, U.S. Bankruptcy Court Internship (Eastern District of Arkansas).
- **Education and Publications and Presentations:** Georgia State University, B.A. History (1998); University of Arkansas School of Law, J.D. (2002); Child Welfare Law Specialist (2023); Litigating Custody of Homeschooled Children in Georgia, *The Family Review*, Winter 2017, 4-5. Ms. Highsmith has presented ICJE-approved CLE courses on child support and financial affidavits.
- **ADR Fee:** \$250 per hour (divided between two parties/sides); for three or more parties, fee is \$100 per party per hour. Two-hour minimum with fees paid 48 hours in advance of mediation for non-represented parties; 48-hour cancellation notice required or \$500 fee applied. Accepted payments: cash, credit/debit (with 3% processing fee), or firm check (no personal checks). Travel expenses may be applied for mediations outside of the Ninth District Administrative District.
- **Mediation Platforms:** In-person, ZOOM, hybrid. Ms. Highsmith can schedule virtual mediations and provide links to all parties.
- **Email:** angelahighsmith@gmail.com

47 TRICIA HISE

706-754-0985 (CLARKESVILLE); 770-892-6295 (GAINESVILLE)

- **Areas of Experience:** General Civil, Family, and Domestic Law; Divorce, Child Custody, Modifications, Alimony, Child Support, Family Law, Grandparent/Relative Custody, Equitable Caregiver, Guardian ad Litem, Legitimation, Paternity, Contracts, Personal Injury, Probate, Guardianships, Conservatorships, Landlord-Tenant Disputes, Domestic Violence Matters, Criminal Law.
- **ADR Experience:** Ms. Hise is certified to mediate all types of civil and domestic cases, is a certified domestic violence/intimate partner mediator, and is also a certified arbitrator. Ms. Hise

has extensive experience in the field of domestic law and has maintained her own general civil practice with mediation-related experience since 2009.

- **Professional Experience:** Licensed practicing attorney in Georgia since 2005, practicing law throughout the state of Georgia. In 2007 Ms. Hise entered private practice (Richard Tunkle, LLC), focusing on general civil litigation, criminal matters, has maintained a specialized focus on family and domestic litigation, and is a certified Guardian ad Litem. Ms. Hise has extensive experience in complex domestic and family law litigation and opened her own firm in 2009. In 2012 Ms. Hise co-founded Hotard & Hise, LLC with offices located in Clarkesville and Gainesville, GA.
- **Education:** University of Georgia, Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, 1999. Southwestern Law School, Los Angeles, CA, Juris Doctor, 2004.
- **ADR Fees:** \$250 per hour with 2-hour minimum. Cancellation fee within 48 hours is \$500 and No-Show Fee is \$500. Ms. Hise accepts attorney/law firm checks, credit card payments (3.5% convenience fee added), or payment by Zelle. Available after hours, extended mediation sessions, and weekends.
- **Email:** thise@hotardhiselaw.com
- **Website:** www.hotardhiselaw.com

48 GIL HOWARD, ESQ.

770-928-6886(OFFICE) 678-462-9235(CELL)

- **Areas of Experience:** I have practiced law in the Cobb and Cherokee County area for the last forty-five years. For the past thirty years, my practice has focused exclusively on family law and personal injury cases. I have represented clients in literally thousands of domestic cases. Prior experience includes a considerable amount of federal criminal litigation and contract litigation.
- **ADR Experience:** I have now served as a mediator since 2011 and during that time have mediated hundreds of domestic cases and a significant number of personal injury and contract cases. I take an aggressive and active approach to mediation and consider my success rate to be high.
- **Education:** I received my Juris Doctorate Degree in Law from Atlanta Law School in 1979 and I received my Master's Degree in Law in 1980.
- **ADR Fees:** My hourly rate is \$200.00 per hour with a two-hour minimum. Any mediation that is canceled with less than two business days' notice will be charged a \$400.00 cancellation fee. I am very flexible in terms of scheduling and rescheduling mediations to meet the needs of the attorneys involved. When necessary, I can schedule mediations on weekends or outside of normal business hours.
- **Email:** [ghoward@ghowardlaw.com](mailto:goward@ghowardlaw.com)

49 MANDA C. HUGHES, ESQ.

706-632-2083

- **Areas of Experience:** General Civil matters, Education Law, Juvenile Law, Probate, Guardian ad Litem.
- **ADR Experience:** Registered Mediator, with specialized training in Special Education Mediation, Juvenile Delinquency and Dependency Mediation, and Probate Mediation. Registered Arbitrator

- **Professional Experience:** The Law Office of Manda C. Hughes (formerly Manda C. Gwatney), Blue Ridge, GA (2007-Present). Registered as a Neutral with Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution (2006-Present). Teacher (1995-2002, including Literary Coordinator and department chair from 2000-2002).
- **Education:** North Georgia College and State University, B.A., 1995. University of Georgia, Masters of Education, 1998, Educational Leadership Endorsement, 2000, Specialist in Education, 2000. Georgia State University, College of Law, 2007.
- **ADR Fees:** \$200.00 per hour, 2 hour minimum.
- **Email:** manda.c.hughes@gmail.com
- **Website:** www.gwatneylaw.com

50 NICOLE WOOLFORK HULL, ESQ.

706-395-5303

- **Areas of Experience:** Family Law, Juvenile Delinquency & Delinquency, Education and Special Education Law.
- **ADR Experience:** Civil, Domestic, Juvenile, Special Education, and Georgia Office of Dispute Approved Mediation Trainer.
- **Professional Experience:** Before going into private practice, Nicole's professional experience included two judicial externships with Judge John Beam, Jr. (Chatham County) and Judge Robin Shearer (Athens-Clark County), Clerking for the Carl Vinson Institute of Government, working with Emory University School of Law Summer Child Advocacy Program, worked for the Ninth Judicial Administrative District Office of Dispute Resolution as the Director of Operations, and worked as an associate at Kenneth Dious & Associates. Additionally, Nicole has served as the Vice President for the Board of Directors for the Georgia Conflict Center, currently serves on the Juvenile Mediation Sub Committee for the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution, and as an Adjunct Professor for Brenau University's Conflict Resolution Program & Legal Studies Program.
- **Education:** Nicole graduated cum Laude from Mercer University with a dual degree in Sociology and Criminal Justice and also the Walter F. George School of Law.
- **ADR Fees:** \$150.00 per hour, 1 hour minimum. 48 hour cancellation notice required or \$300.00 no show/cancellation fee.
- **Email:** nicole@thehullfirmllc.com
- **Website:** www.thehullfirmllc.com

51 HENRY (HANK) W. KIMMEL, ESQ.

404-735-9132

- **Areas of Experience:** Domestic, Real Estate, Probate, Condominium Association, Landlord-Tenant, Personal Injury, Contracts, Lemon Law.
- **ADR Experience:** Mr. Kimmel has helped settle more than 5,000 disputes (including more than 500 virtually) in Georgia through his private practice and as a mediator in metro Atlanta and surrounding areas. A registered mediator since 1999, Mr. Kimmel has specialized training in Domestic, Domestic Violence, Juvenile, Probate, and Landlord-Tenant mediation – and for

Guardian Ad Litem work. He has also served as a mediation coach for the John Marshall Law School, the University of Georgia, Emory University, and the Fulton County Landlord-Tenant program. Mr. Kimmel also has worked extensively as a journalist, playwright, and tennis professional, and brings those related skills to his work as a mediator.

- **Professional Experience:**
 - 2000-present: Principal, Henry W. William, Esq., Mediation Services (GA)
 - 2002-present: Managing Partner, Turtle Bay House Properties LLC (NY)
 - 1999-2001: Executive Director, Georgia Lawyer for the Arts (GA)
- **Education:** Emory School of Law; Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism; and Brown University.
- **ADR Fees:** \$275.00 per hour for zoom, \$325 for in-person mediation. Two-hour minimum. Cancellation fee for less than 72 hours notice: \$350 if no travel is involved; \$500 if travel is involved.
- **Email:** hwkimmel@gmail.com

52 SHERI LAKE

404-382-7112

- **Areas of Experience:** Family Law, Divorce, Modifications, Contempt Actions, Child Custody, Parenting Time, Child Support
- **ADR Experience:** In the past 4 years since she became a registered mediator, Sheri has mediated over 500 family law disputes, both court-connected and privately. Sheri is a registered neutral with the GODR and a roster member of Cobb, Gwinnett and Cherokee counties as well as the 9th Judicial Administrative District, although she has mediated cases throughout metro Atlanta and north Georgia.
- **Professional Experience:** Sheri is an attorney in good standing with the State Bar of Georgia and the State Bar of California. She has been practicing family law for over two decades and today her practice is divided between amicable divorces, mediation and Guardian ad Litem appointments in Superior court.
- **Education:** BA in History, Georgia State University, 1990 magna cum laude; Juris Doctorate, Georgia State University, 1997
- **ADR Fees:** \$225.00 per hour for virtual mediations/\$250.00 per hour for in person mediations. Two-hour fee charged for cancellations inside of 48 hours and four-hour fee charged for cancellations inside of 24 hours except in the event of medical emergencies, legal conflicts or written settlement of the case. Forms of payment accepted include electronic cash transfer applications (Venmo, CashApp, Zelle or Apple Pay) or credit cards with an additional fee.
- **Email:** sheri@lakemediation.com
- **Website:** www.lakemediation.com

53 PHIL M. LANDRUM, III, ESQ.

706-692-6464

- **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. Mediating cases involving Domestic Violence, December 2003.
- **Professional Experience:** 1992- Present: Practicing Attorney. 2003-Present: Mediator.
- **Education:** The Citadel, B.A. University of Georgia, School of Law, J.D.
- **ADR Fees:** \$250.00 per hour.
- **Email:** phil@appalachianmediationcompany.com
- **Website:** <https://appalachianmediationcompany.com/>

54 D. THOMAS LEFEVRE, ESQ.

770-536-0101

- **Areas of Experience:** Commercial Contracts; Contract Disputes; Construction; Real Estate; Zoning; Eminent Domain; Landlord/Tenant; Personal Injury; Business Relationships; Probate and Civil Matters
- **ADR Experience:** Received Mediation training at the Atlanta Justice Center in August 1992. Became a Certified Mediator in October 1992. Received Early Neutral Evaluation Training in October 1996 and completed Advanced Mediation Training in June 1996. Received Certification as an Arbitrator in April 2002.
- **Professional Experience:** Currently engaged in private law practice in Hall County, Georgia with the law firm of Stewart, Melvin & Frost, LLP. Mediator as of 1992 with the Ninth Judicial Administrative District. Conducting mediations and arbitration hearings for private parties since 1992.
- **Education:** Cumberland School of Law, Samford University, J.D., 1980 North Georgia College, B.S. in Political Science, 1976
- **ADR Fees:** For pricing, please contact Legion Mediation.
- **Email:** tlefevre@smf-law.com
- **Website:** www.smf-law.com

55 ALYSON LEMBECK, ESQ.

404-233-2800

- **Areas of Experience:** Family Law
- **ADR Experience:** Registered as a mediator in Civil and Domestic cases, as an Arbitrator, and registered in Domestic Violence. Extensive mediation experience.
- **Professional Experience:** Alyson is a partner in the firm of Kaye, Lembeck, Hitt & French Family Law, where she exclusively practices family law. Alyson has practiced family law since 2002. Alyson serves as a *Guardian ad Litem*, in contested custody matters. Alyson is certified in Collaborative Law. Alyson was recognized by her peers as a Georgia Super Lawyer Rising Star in 2010 – through the current year.
- **Education:** Valedictorian of University of Florida 1999 where Alyson received her B.A., JD Emory University School of Law 2002, admitted to practice in Georgia in 2002.
- **ADR Fees:** \$350.00 per hour. No cancellation fee.
- **Email:** alembeck@klhffamily.com

- **mediation calendar:** ellisfunk.appointy.com/

56 VALERIE LYLE

770-535-6909

- **Areas of Experience:** General, Domestic, Domestic Violence Mediations and Arbitration.
- **Professional Experience:** Ninth Judicial Administrative District Office of Dispute Resolution, Director.
- **ADR Fees:** \$200.00 per hour.
- **Website:** www.adr9.com

57 ANGIE MARTIN MCKINNEY

770-887-3162

- **Areas of experience:** Member of the Georgia Bar since 1991. Practiced in the areas of: securities litigation, civil litigation, domestic relations, adoptions, wills and estates, probate, real estate, business law, and personal injury.
- **ADR experience:** Registered neutral with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution for general civil, domestic, and domestic violence cases; and, as an arbitrator. Other mediation rosters: Gwinnett and Cobb counties. Also mediate Fulton County cases.
- **Professional experience: Past** - interned with the Securities and Exchange Commission Atlanta Division; Series 63 and 7 Securities licensed with Merrill Lynch; attorney with securities litigation firm in Atlanta; partner with law firm Boling Rice, LLC; owner/operator of small business. Present – of counsel attorney and mediator with Boling Rice, LLC.
- **Education:** University of North Georgia – BBA in finance 1985; Georgia State University College of Law, *Juris Doctor, cum laude*, 1991.
- **ADR Fees:** \$295 per hour with a two-hour minimum. Cancellations within 48 business hours of the mediation incur a fee equal to the two-hour minimum. (Arbitration rate - \$400 per hour for two-party cases.)
- **Method of mediation:** in-person at her office in Cumming, ZOOM, or away from her office (travel fee of \$150 if more than twenty miles from her office.)
- **Email:** amckinney@bolingrice.com
- **Website:** mediations can be booked online at bolingrice.com

58 TRACY ANN MOORE-GRANT, ESQ.

770-889-0846

- **Areas of Experience:** Divorce, Family Violence, Child Support, Custody and Visitation, Contempt, and Civil Litigation.
- **ADR Experience:** Ms. Moore is a registered Georgia Mediator in the areas of Family Law, General Civil Litigation, and Domestic Violence. She is also a registered arbitrator.
- **Professional Experience:** Ms. Moore began practicing law in 2002 with the law firm of Banks & Stubbs, LLP in Cumming, Ga, where she was a partner from 2008-2015 before founding the firm of Patterson Moore Butler. Her background is in all areas of family law and her practice is focused on the North Georgia Area. She specializes in family law litigation and mediation. Ms. Moore is the current coordinator for the Family Law Section of the Forsyth County Bar, former president of the Forsyth County Bar, member of the dispute resolution committee for the

Forsyth County Bar and is involved in several community and alumnae organizations. Ms. Moore was named 2008 “Woman of Forsyth” and assisted with the development of the 2012 Standing Order in Forsyth County. In 2015, Ms. Moore was awarded the Client Distinction Award from lawyers.com and the Client Satisfaction Award in 2016 from the American Institute of Family Law Attorneys. The firm of Patterson Moore Butler is equipped to host mediations in Cumming, Georgia as they have three conference rooms and attorney offices with a large table to accommodate attorneys and parties. We also travel to your office location to conduct mediations. Mediations can be booked online via their website at www.pattersonmoorebutler.com.

- **Education:** University of North Georgia, B.S., 1999, Major Criminal Justice, Minor in Psychology. University of Memphis School of Law, J.D., 2002, awarded Dean’s Award for Best Brief, Dean’s Award for Most Persuasive Argument, served as Chief Justice of Mock Trial.
- **ADR Fees:** \$275.00 per hour, 2 hour minimum for mediations. 48 hour cancellation required or parties are charged for 2 hours of time.
- **Email:** tamoore@pattersonmoorebutler.com

59 JAMES M. OTTLEY, ESQ.

- **Areas of Experience:** General Civil with focus on real estate and commercial lending (contracts, real property, landlord/tenant, boundary line disputes, title matters, and SBA and conventional loan closings).
- **Professional Experience:** Currently practice commercial real estate lending law (primarily 7a and 504 SBA loans). Prior to current commercial lending practice, practiced foreclosure law and real estate title litigation. Currently hold Georgia Real Estate Broker’s license and manage portfolio of single family rental homes. Registered Neutral with GODR.
- **Education:** Duke University, B.A., 1993. University of Georgia School of Law, J.D., cum laude, 1997.
- **ADR Fees:** \$250 per hour, 2 hour minimum.
- **Email:** jottley@stoutkaiser.com

60 HANNAH PALMER

770-888-7150

- **Areas of Experience:** Divorce, custody, parenting time, child support, contempt, modification, legitimation, same sex cases, domestic violence, and landlord tenant
- **Professional Experience:** Mediated hundreds of cases since registering with the GODR as a mediator in 2016. Associate Mediation Trainer with Resolve to Solve, Inc. since 2017. In addition to the 9th District, Hannah is also on the Cobb, Dekalb, Gwinnett, and 7th District ADR lists. Mediates both in person and virtually.
- **Education:** Studied Political Science and Cognitive Science at the University of Georgia (2015). Obtained a Master’s in Conflict Resolution and Reconciliation from Abilene Christian University (2017)
- **ADR Fees:** \$275 per hour, 2 hour minimum. \$600 if cancelled within 48 hours or no show. Accepts Visa, Master Card, Amex, Discover, Zelle, Venmo and Cash App.
- **Email:** resolvetosolve.hannah@yahoo.com

- **Website:** resolve2solve.com

61 ROB PARKER

404-625-5641

- **Areas of Experience:** General Civil and Domestic.
- **ADR Experience:** Training in General Civil, Domestic, and Domestic Violence mediation. Been mediating since 2015 at all levels of court. Good with unrepresented parties.
- **Education:** B.S. in Psychology from the University of Georgia. J.D. from Georgia State University, College of Law.
- **ADR Fees:** \$200.00 per hour. Accepts cash, check, or credit card.
- **Email:** robparkermediation@gmail.com

62 JENNIFER C. PINSON-HARVEY, ESQ.

770-935-0026

- **ADR of Experience:** Has settled cases or facilitated communications between parties in several thousand private and court-ordered domestic and civil mediations since 1995, including the areas of family law (divorce, custody, modification, legitimation and contempt), contract disputes, collections, 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. Previously worked in state government relations with the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games, as a Congressional staffer, a municipal law association 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:** \$295.00 per hour. Accepts Visa, MasterCard, Discover, and American Express. Cancellation fees apply if notice of cancellation is not received 48 hours prior to scheduled mediation. \$310 if commute is necessary.
- **Accepted Methods of payment:** cash, checks, Zelle, Venmo, CashApp, as well as all major credit and debt cards with a 3% fee.
- **Email:** jenpinhar@gmail.com

63 BONNIE O. POWELL, ESQ.

404-918-3581

- **Areas of Experience:** Domestic, Landlord/Tenant, Workplace and Probate disputes.
- **ADR Experience:** General civil, domestic, domestic violence, workplace disputes. Also trained in Probate and Juvenile Delinquency and Deprivation.
- **Professional Experience:** Mediator, Arbitrator, Attorney, Adjunct Professor of Dispute Resolution, Director of Fulton Landlord/Tenant Mediation Program.
- **Education:** Bachelor of Science, Florida State University. Juris Doctor, Georgia State University College of Law.
- **ADR Fees:** \$325.00 per hour with a minimum of 2 hours; a 2-hour fee will be charged against the cancelling party if cancelled less than 72 hours of session. Payment can be made by cash, Zelle, or credit card.
- **Email:** bonnie@powelladr.com

- **Areas of Expertise:** Domestic Relations, Personal Injury, Probate, Business Disputes.
- Registered with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution (GODR) in the General Civil, Domestic and Specialized Domestic Violence categories
- **ADR Experience:** Deborah Reddick has been a trained and certified mediator since 2016. She has also served as a member of the Georgia Bar Association Fee Arbitration panel since 2018. In addition to offering private mediation services, she is an active roster member of several local ADR programs including The Ninth and Sixth Districts, Cobb, Gwinnett, Clayton, Coweta and Fulton Counties. As of spring, 2024 she has facilitated well over 2,500 mediation sessions including personal injury, probate, landlord/tenant, divorce, child custody/support and business disputes. In early 2020, Deborah expanded her practice to include virtual online mediation services. To date, she has successfully facilitated over 1500 online mediation sessions.
- **ADR Fees:** \$250.00 per hour. Services offered in person or via Zoom.
- **Email:** georgiamediator1@gmail.com

- **Areas of Expertise:** General & Civil Mediation; Divorce & Family Mediation, Domestic Relations, Domestic Violence; Juvenile Delinquency & Juvenile Dependency; & Probate.
- **ADR Experience:** Over 8 years mediation experience in Magistrate and Superior Courts and privately scheduled appointments. In person sessions, ZOOM and DocuSign platforms available.
- **Professional Experience:** Owner of Doll Ritchie & Associates, LLC. Certified as neutral mediator for State of Georgia Office of ADR. Certified as Executive Coach through The Hudson Institute of Santa Barbara. Somatic Awareness Coach. In-depth experience in employer/employee conflict resolution; landlord disputes, contractor and subcontractor disputes, estate disputes, real estate and insurance settlements, contract grievance management and labor bargaining process; patient & long-term care advocacy; adult training and group facilitation. Over twenty-five years as senior executive Human Resources Leader with large, multi-campus healthcare organizations and fifteen years HR professional in Fortune 100 manufacturing & distribution organizations.
- **Education:** Social Work & Psychology, Huntingdon College, B.A.; Organizational & Management Development, Brenau University, M.Ed. Civil General Mediation training at JW Fanning Institute, Arbitration and Domestic Relations Mediation at Henning Mediation Services, Domestic Violence & Family Mediation at Resolve to Solve, Inc. Juvenile Delinquency & Juvenile Dependency; and Probate through GOADR.
- **ADR Fees:** \$200.00 per hour/2-hour minimum; 48-hour (Business Days) cancellation notice required or cancellation fee of \$200 applies to both parties.
- **Method of payment:** Cash, Credit/Debit card, Venmo, PayPal
- **Email:** Rit329d@gmail.com

- **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 been 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 Zell Miller. Ms. Sartain was a founding member and served a 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:** \$250.00 per hour for cases in Hall County. \$250 per hour for cases outside of Hall County.
- **Email:** lsartain@smf-law.com
- **Website:** www.smf-law.com

67 DIANE B. SKINNER

404-771-3691

- **Areas of Experience:** Family mediation, divorce, custody, domestic relations, and domestic violence, probate court, elder care, labor and work place disputes, state court, magistrate court and small claims.
- **ADR Experience:** Registered Mediator with the State of Georgia since 1998, Ms. Skinner has always believed what is in the best interest of the children should be the first priority. Ms. Skinner mediates privately and in court ordered cases. She is also registered with the Ninth Judicial District and the Cobb County Judicial District.
- **Professional Experience:** 1998-Present: Mediator
- **Education:** Georgia State University, 1981.
- **ADR Fees:** \$200.00 per hour. \$300.00 late cancellation fee or no-show fee.
- **METHODS OF PAYMENT:** Cash or PayPal.
- **Email:** dianebskinner@aol.com
- **Website:** www.dianebskinner.com

68 JOHN D. SOURS, ESQ.

404-510-4014

- **Areas of Experience: Commercial:** Business to Business Disputes; Internal Business Disputes; Trade Secrets; Insurance Claims and Coverages; Workplace Disputes; Employment Discrimination; Wage-Hour Claims: ADEA Claims
Construction and Real Estate: Residential. Commercial and Government Contracts; Claims and Disputes for Changed and Extra Work; Design Contracts, Claims and

Disputes; Residential and Commercial Real Estate; Landlord-Tenant; Office Leasing
Boundary Disputes

Consumer: Vehicle Sales, Leasing, financing and Repairs; Lemon Law Disputes; Fraud
and Negligence; Debt Collection; Credit Repair; Unfair Business Practices; TCAP, EFTA,
and Securities Claims

- **ADR Experience:** AAA Basic and Advanced Mediation and Arbitration Training, 1983-
current; Henning Mediation Training, 2016; FINRA Mediation and Arbitration Training;
registered with Georgia ODR since inception; 9th District ADR training, 2018-current;
Served as Mediator in over 300 disputes and as sole or panel Arbitrator in over 100
cases
- **Professional Experience:** Founding partner of Wasson, Sours & Harris, P.C. of Atlanta,
with 35+ years of specialized dealings in litigation and dispute resolution in
construction, government contract, labor and employment, and real estate matters.
Served under Gov. Nathan Deal as Administrator of Georgia Office of Consumer
Protection for 5.5 years. Formulated and taught courses in Construction, Negotiation
and ADR, Commercial Real Estate. Labor and HR and related subjects for over 25 years
as adjunct professor at Georgia Tech, Southern Poly and Reinhardt, and lectured in CLE
courses in 5 states.
- **Education:** A.B. in Government and Economics and J.D in Law, College of William &
Mary, Williamsburg, VA; L.L.M., Georgetown, University, Washington, D.C.
- **ADR Fees:** \$120 per hour per party, with payment for two hours in advance, plus
reimbursement of filing fee
- **Email Address:** jandcsours@comcast.net

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- **Areas of Experience:** General Civil and Domestic; Family Law (divorce, custody, child support,
legitimation, modification, adoption); magistrate court-small claims; probate, wills, and estates;
guardianship; contracts, general practice of law; arbitration
 - **ADR Experience:** Ms. Stuart has been a certified Registered mediator since 2019. She is
registered and certified in the areas of general civil mediation, domestic relations
mediation, specialized domestic violence mediation, and non-binding
arbitration. Ms. Stuart has conducted hundreds of mediations in the areas of divorce,
custody, child support, parenting time, alimony, legitimation, adoption, child support,
civil cases, will contests, probate matters, personal injury, and business disputes.
 - **Professional Experience:** Ms. Stuart was admitted to the practice of law in 2012. She is
licensed in Georgia, Florida, Tennessee, and Washington D.C. She is currently a practicing
attorney at Marger Stuart Law and was previously with Edwin Marger in practice until his
passing. Ms. Stuart's practice is a small-town law firm hoping to aid all that come in the
door. As a result, Ms. Stuart has a wide variety of experience in different legal areas.
However, most of her practice is domestic relations, probate and estate law, and criminal

defense. Ms. Stuart also serves as Guardian ad Litem in contested custody matters, probate, and juvenile matters.

- **Education:** University of Georgia Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, Criminal Justice, and Sociology (2007); Florida Coastal School of Law Juris Doctor (2011)
- **ADR Fees:** \$250.00 per hour, 2 hour minimum, \$500 cancellation fee if cancelled less than two (2) business days.
- **Mediation services offered:** Ms. Stuart offers in person, virtual, and hybrid mediation sessions in all areas listed above. Moreover, Marger Stuart Law (Ms. Stuart's firm) is equipped to host mediation sessions with three conference rooms and several breakout rooms, if requested.
- **Email:** cortney@margerstuartlaw.com
- **Website:** www.margerstuartlaw.com

70 VANESSA E. SYKES, ESQ.

770-532-6312

- **Areas of Experience:** Family law (divorce, custody, parenting time, contempt, modification, legitimation, domestic violence); general civil law; employment law; personal injury; condemnation; landlord/tenant.
- **Professional Experience:** Licensed attorney since 2001, with focus in family law since 2011. Registered mediator with Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution since 2020. Has served as a Guardian ad Litem for Superior and Juvenile Courts in Georgia since 2012. Staff Attorney for Hon. C. Andrew Fuller of the Superior Courts of the Northeastern Judicial Circuit 2001-2006. Assistant District Attorney for Hall County District Attorney's Office 2006-2011. Partner at Hulsey, Oliver & Mahar, LLP in Gainesville, Georgia 2011 to present. Has handled jury trials, bench trials, appeals, oral arguments, motion practice, mediation, and general litigation.
- **Education:** ABJ from the University of Georgia, Magna Cum Laude, 1998. JD from the University of Georgia, Cum Laude, 2001. Admitted to practice in the Superior and State Courts of Georgia, Georgia Court of Appeals, Georgia Supreme Court and the United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia.
- **ADR Fees:** \$275.00 per hour, two hour minimum. Fees to be paid on the date of mediation. Accepts cash, checks and credit cards. \$275.00 cancellation fee if cancelled within 48 hours or no show.
- **ADR Preferences:** Available to host at Hulsey, Oliver & Mahar, LLP, by Zoom, or will travel to counsel's office. No travel fee imposed.
- **Email/Website :** ves@homlaw.com and www.homlaw.com

71 CLINT TESTON, ESQ.

- **ADR Fees:** \$250 per hour.
- **Email:** clint@testonburruss.com

- **Areas of Experience:** Divorce, Custody, Legitimation, Domestic Violence, Contempt
- **Professional Experience:** Natalie has been a family law attorney for over a decade. She leads her firm's award-winning family law department. She has helped approximately a thousand families in Northeast Georgia through representation, Guardian ad Litem work and Mediation. She has vast experience with complex custody cases and complicated/high asset divorce cases.
- **Education:** University of Georgia, B.A. History 2008, University of Georgia, B.A. International Affairs 2008, University of Georgia School of Law, J.D. 2011
- **ADR Fees:** \$275.00 per hour, two (2) hour minimum
- **Email:** natalie@colemanchambers.com
- **Website:** <https://www.colemanchambers.com/attorney/natalie-v-teston/>

- **Areas of Experience:** Paola is a bilingual Mediator (English and Spanish), Family Law Attorney and Criminal Defense Attorney.
- **ADR Experience:** Paola is a registered bilingual neutral, able to mediate in English or in Spanish, as needed, preferably via Zoom. Paola utilizes her Family Law and life experience to assist parties and counsel to work to reach a compromise.
- **Professional Experience:** Paola has been an attorney since 1998, starting her career as a Public Defender with DeKalb County for 13 ½ years. She then founded Torselli Law Firm, LLC, in 2012 and added Family Law to her practice. She has worked in both areas of law, with a concentration in Family Law. In 2019, Paola trained to become a Mediator, making her a seasoned litigator, who understands that sometimes reaching a compromise, with compassion, is what best benefits a case involving families.
- **Education:** Paola attended the Georgia State College of Law on a part-time basis, while working full-time at Bank of America and at SunTrust (now Truist). She earned her Juris Doctor Degree in 1998. Prior to that, she attended Furman University, where she earned her Bachelor of Arts Degree in 1992, with a double major in Political Science and Spanish studies.
- **Languages:** Paola speaks English and Spanish fluently, with Spanish being her first language.
- **Fees:** \$250.00/hour, with a one-hour cancellation fee (less than 24 hours' notice)
- **Email:** ptorselli@torsellilaw.com
- **Website:** www.torsellilaw.com

- **Areas of Experience:** Practicing attorney in Georgia since 1980 with vast experience in family law, divorce, child custody, child support, custody modification cases, grandparent custody cases, property dispute cases, civil litigation in general.
- **ADR Experience:** Trained and certified neutral, registered as a general and domestic relations mediator, registered as domestic violence/intimate partner violence **mediator**, **registered as probate mediator** and registered with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution.
- **Professional Experience:** Served as Chief Magistrate of Rabun County, Georgia from 1983 until 2000. Sat as Superior Court Judge by designation in the Mountain Judicial Circuit. Presenter at the Family Law Institute and registered mediator. Prevailing counsel in the **seminal** grandparent custody case of Wade v. Clark, 273 Ga. 587 (2001), cited in court decisions nationwide in appellate decisions in grandparent custody cases.
- **Education:** University of Georgia, B.A. in 1977 and University of Georgia School of Law, J.D. in 1980.
- **ADR Fees:** \$250.00 per hour, 2 hour minimum, \$500.00 no show/cancellation fee for less than a 48 hour notice.
- **Email:** janice@etsrabunlaw.com

- **Areas of Experience:** Family law, divorce, child custody, child support, custody modification, and workplace disputes.
- **ADR and Professional Experience:** 2016 – Present: General civil and family law mediation, in person and via Zoom. Registered Neutral with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution. Experienced in Georgia child support calculations, Zoom and DocuSign. 2022 – Present: Data Analyst with specialty in Excel, Workflow and DataScan.
- **Education and Publications:** Brenau University, B.A. Conflict Resolution & Legal Studies, Cum Laude, 2007; Brenau University, B.A. Music Performance, Cum Laude, 2007; Georgia Northwestern Technical College, Certificate of Medical Billing and Coding, 2023.
- **ADR Fees:** \$180.00 per hour, 2-Hour Minimum, 24-Hour Cancellation Notice required or \$350 Fee Applied. Accepts cash, card, Zelle or CashApp.
- **Availability:** Unavailable to mediate during the months of January – April. Limited availability during the months of September and October. Additional availability after 5:00 p.m. and on weekends.
- **Email:** wattsmediation@gmail.com

- **Areas of Experience:** Family Law. Domestic Relations Attorney.
- **Professional Experience:** I have been practicing domestic law in the State of Georgia for over 35 years. My main concentration in the law is the area of Domestic Relations. I have been a certified mediator since 1993. I have been certified as an Arbitrator for over 25 years. I have

extensive experience in handling both bench and jury trials. I mediate over 50 domestic cases per year. I also have experience in collaborative law.

- **Education:** Florida State University, B.S., 1966. Woodrow Wilson College of Law, J.D., 1980.
- **ADR Fees:** \$250.00 per hour. I accept cash and checks.
- **Email:** marian@fmweekspc.com, m.weeks@fmweekspc.com

77 JOSHUA WELCH, ESQ.

770-535-0225

- **Experience:** Joshua was born and raised in North Georgia. He currently lives in Braselton with his wife and children. Joshua served in the United States Marine Corps in the aviation field for six years. Joshua has experience in all manner of domestic relations litigation, including divorce; child custody, visitation, and child support; alimony and spousal support; paternity issues and legitimation of children; post-divorce issues; grandparent and third party custody/visitation; child welfare and advocacy; probate matters, and personal injury actions.
Ninth District Opportunity Board Member
Georgia Association of Counsel for Children (GACC) Board Member
State Bar of Georgia; Georgia Court of Appeals; U.S. District Court, Northern District of Georgia; Supreme Court of Georgia; American Bar Association; Gainesville Bar Association (Northeastern Judicial Circuit)''
- **Education:** J.D., John Marshall Law School; B.A., North Georgia College and State University
- **ADR Fees:** \$350 per hour, 2-hour minimum, Accepts Cash, Check, Venmo, Cashapp, or Card. 3.5% processing fee for use of card or Cashapp. \$200 cancellation fee if cancelled within 2 business days

78 MICHELLE E. WEST, ESQ.

404-441-4612

- **Areas of ADR Experience:** Collection, Construction, Contracts, Corporate, Civil (General), Domestic, Domestic Violence Insurance, Landlord-Tenant, Employment Law, Labor/management, Personal Injury, Property, Juvenile, Probate, Workplace.
- **Experience:** Ms. West is a registered neutral with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution in civil and domestic matters. She offers both private and court ordered mediation. Ms. West has over 20 years of experience in practicing law in Georgia and over 15 years in mediation. She has practiced in the areas of family law, immigration, real-estate, landlord-tenant, estate planning, probate and small business. Ms. West is also a trained Guardian Ad Litem and Arbitrator, a member of the Gwinnett County Bar Association, and a past President of the Georgia Association for Woman Lawyers, Statewide and Gwinnett Chapter. She also has experience in mediating international child abduction cases pursuant to the Hague Convention.
- **Professional Experience:**
 - 2023 – Present: Gwinnett County Magistrate Judge (Part-time). Designated to sit in Superior Court; State Court; Probate Court and Juvenile Court
 - 2022 – Present: MeWe Consults, LLC, Founder and Principal
 - 2019 – 2022: State Bar of Georgia, Director, Institute of Continuing Legal Education, Atlanta, GA
 - 2013 – 2019: State Bar of Georgia, Director, Transition into Law Practice Program, Atlanta, GA
 - 2006 - 2014: M. West Legal, LLC, Lilburn, GA

- 2005 – 2006: Law Office of Green & Associates, Atlanta, GA
- 2002- 2005: Georgia Legal Services, Gainesville, GA
- **Education:** Emory University School of Law, J.D., 2002; Georgetown University, B.S.F.S., 1997
- **ADR Fees:** \$200 per hour, virtual or in-person. Accepts cash and credit cards
- **Email:** michelle@meweconsults.com

79 NEDRA L. WICK, ESQ.

678-612-1031

- **Professional Experience:** Ms. Wick has been a licensed attorney in the State of Georgia since 1995. In 2001, she focused her practice to ADR, a field with which she first became involved in 1977. As a registered mediator in Georgia, Ms. Wick also arbitrates cases nationwide. She is certified for court selection in the Sixth, Seventh, Ninth, Clayton, Cobb, DeKalb, and Gwinnett Judicial Districts. She has served as a Mediator in over 2,500 disputes. Ms. Wick teaches a basic and advanced mediation class with the Mediation Training Institute/Atlanta Divorce Mediators. She has been featured on WABE Georgia Public Radio.
- **ADR Fees:** \$250.00 per hour, 48-hour cancellation notice required or \$350.
- **Email:** nlwick@bellsouth.net
- **Website:** www.wickmediation.com

80 JUDGE RICHARD T. WINEGARDEN

678-576-5444

- **Areas of Experience:** Domestic Law, Divorce, Child Custody, Child Support and Modification cases, contracts, commercial, personal injury property, zoning and land use, condemnations, municipal and county government cases, school cases, real estate, trust and estates, utility matters, banking, landlord/tenant, and criminal law. .
- **ADR Experience:** Registered as a General and Domestic Mediator and as an Arbitrator with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution. Judge Winegarden has been involved with ADR principles for 21 years as a Superior Court Judge. He was trained as a General Mediator by Ansley Barton, J.D. and Susan Raines. He was also trained as a Domestic Mediator by Henning Mediation and Arbitration Services, Inc. Judge Winegarden also received required Arbitrator training from Henning.
- **Professional Experience:** 1987-2008: Superior Court Judge, Gwinnett Judicial Circuit. 2000-2002: Ninth Districts Administrative Judge. 1983-1987: State Court Judge, Gwinnett Judicial Circuit. 1976-1983: Attorney in Private Practice. 1974-1976: Gwinnett County Assistant District Attorney.
- **Education:** University of Michigan, BBA, 1971. Wayne State University, College of Law, J.D., 1974. National Judicial College Graduate.
- **ADR Fees:** \$185.00 per hour.
- **Email:** winega_r@bellsouth.net

- **Areas of Experience:** Personal Injury; Wrongful Death; Insurance Defense; Commercial Construction; Insurance Disputes; General Civil Litigation; Workers' Compensation.
- **Professional Experience:** Ms. Yenerall has an extensive background insurance disputes, including personal injury, wrongful death, construction, landlord/tenant and workers' compensation. She is a member of the State Bar of Georgia and the Gainesville-Northeastern Bar Association and is admitted to practice in Georgia Court of Appeals, the Supreme Court of Georgia and in federal court for the Northern District of Georgia. She is a part-time Magistrate Judge in Dawson county and has been a mediator since 2007.
- Staff Counsel, Amtrust (2023-present); Partner at Stewart, Melvin & Frost, LLP (2013 – 2023), Associate Attorney (2007 – 2013); Previous: Stephens & Shuler (2000 – 2006).
- **Education:** Gainesville State College, A.A. (1998); North Georgia College & State University, B.S. (2000); John Marshall Law School - Atlanta, J.D. (2007).
- **ADR Fees:** \$300.00 per hour (2 hour minimum).
- **Email:** amandayenerall@me.com