

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Application for Mediators

Please complete the entire application, using additional paper if necessary. You may also attach a resume.

Name: Thomas J. Wills

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ADMISSIONS AND AFFILIATIONS

Date admitted to the Bar of the District of South Carolina: 1980 I.D. No.: 4703

Date admitted to the South Carolina Bar: 1979 Bar No.: 006162

Other courts or jurisdictions to which admitted (with dates of admission and bar nos.):
Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals 1981

Membership and positions held in bar, ADR and professional associations: SC Bar; Secretary
of SC Defense Trial Attorneys Assoc.; Member of Board of Commissioners
of Grievances and Discipline for the SC Supreme Court

Are you a member in good standing in each jurisdiction where admitted to practice law? yes no

Are you currently the subject of any pending disciplinary proceeding in any jurisdiction? yes no

Have you, within the last 5 years, been denied admission to a bar for character or ethical reasons or disciplined for professional misconduct? yes no

EDUCATION

Year law degree received 1979 Law School University of South Carolina

Other professional degrees received (including year and school):

LEGAL EXPERIENCE (A minimum of 5 years of law practice required)

Summarize legal experience (including teaching) since admission to the bar, particularly in the past five years:

I have been in practice for 16 years with the law firm of Barnwell Whaley
Patterson & Helms. My practice has involved primarily civil defense litigation
including medical malpractice, legal malpractice, product liability, government
liability, various personal injury, insurance.

Percentage of practice in last 5 years representing plaintiff 10 % or defense 90 %

Percentage of Federal or State court practice in last 5 years: Federal 50 % State 50 %

Number of years engaged in active litigation: 16

EXPERTISE

Indicate all substantive areas in which you have expertise. Place a "1" by your strongest area(s) and a "2" by all other areas in which you have expertise. (Do not rank beyond "1" and "2.") After any category you have marked, please identify any sub-areas of expertise you have (e.g. "medical malpractice" after Personal Injury).

<input type="checkbox"/> Admiralty	<input type="checkbox"/> Security or Shareholders suits
<input type="checkbox"/> Antitrust	<input type="checkbox"/> Labor
<u>2</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Contracts	<input type="checkbox"/> ERISA
<input type="checkbox"/> Environment	<u>2</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Wrongful Termination
<input type="checkbox"/> Fraud or Civil RICO	<u>2</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Civil Rights in Employment
<u>1</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance	<u>2</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Other Civil Rights
<input type="checkbox"/> Miller Act	<input type="checkbox"/> Copyrights
<u>1</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Injury	<input type="checkbox"/> Patent
<u>1</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Product Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> Trademark
<u>1</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) <u>legal malpractice</u>	

Publications: _____

MEDIATION EXPERIENCE

Mediation experience (particularly in the subject matter categories above): _____

I have been qualified as a mediator since October of 1994.

I have mediated approximately 30 cases since that time and

have arbitrated 5.

Other courts or organizations for whom you serve as a mediator: I have served

as a mediator in the state court for Charleston Common Pleas.

I am also employed by Resolute Systems of South Carolina.

Number of mediations conducted: 30

MEDIATION TRAINING

<u>Course Provider</u>	<u>Course Content</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>No. of Hours</u>
<u>Dispute Management</u>	<u>Mediation Techniques</u>	<u>Oct 1994</u>	<u>Char., SC</u>	<u>40</u>

OTHER INFORMATION

Are you familiar with the statutes, rules and practice governing mediation conferences in the District of South Carolina? yes no

Other relevant experience or skills or other information you would like considered in connection with this application:

None

Cities in which you are available to conduct mediation:

Columbia Charleston Greenville Florence

Other Beaufort, Myrtle Beach

Fees charged:

Hourly Rate: \$ 125.00 Minimum charge each mediation: \$ No Minimum Charge

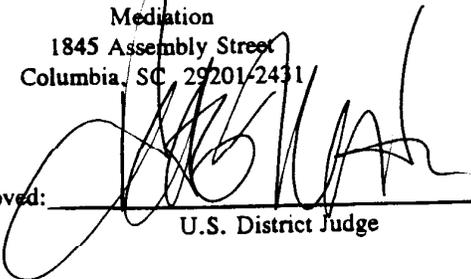
How do you bill for travel? (explain): Travel is billed at the same hourly rate as mediation.

I agree to: (1) Be subject to the Rules of Professional Conduct, Rule 407, South Carolina Appellate Court Rules; to the Rules on Disciplinary Procedure, Rule 413, South Carolina Appellate Court Rules; and the Local Rules of the District Court; (2) Provide mediation to indigents without pay if ordered by the Court; (3) Notify the Clerk of Court of any change in the above facts or otherwise in my ability to perform duties as a mediator; (4) Disclosure of information contained in this application to litigants and other members of the public.

I certify that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signature  Date 10/9/95
Applicant

Return completed application to:
U.S. District Court
Mediation
1845 Assembly Street
Columbia, SC 29201-2431

Approved:  Date 10/16/95
U.S. District Judge

SUPPLEMENT

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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Name: THOMAS J. WILLS

Firm or Office Name: WILLS & MASSALON, LLC

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ADMISSIONS AND AFFILIATIONS

Date admitted to the Bar of the District of South Carolina: 1989 I.D. No.: 4703

Date admitted to the South Carolina Bar: 1979 Bar No.: 6162

Other courts or jurisdictions to which admitted (with dates of admission and bar nos.): Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals 1981

Membership and positions held in bar, ADR and professional associations: Former chairman of the trial and appellate advocacy section of SC Bar; president of SC Defense Trial Attorneys Assn 1996-1997; member of American Board of Trial Advocates

Are you a member in good standing in each jurisdiction where admitted to practice law? yes no

Are you currently the subject of any pending disciplinary proceeding in any jurisdiction? yes no

Have you, within the last 5 years, been denied admission to a bar for character or ethical reasons or disciplined for professional misconduct? yes no

EDUCATION

Year law degree received 1979 Law School U.S.C.

Other professional degrees received (including year and school) None

LEGAL EXPERIENCE (A minimum of 5 years of law practice required)

Summarize legal experience (including teaching) since admission to the bar, particularly in the past five years:

Engaged in defense litigation practice for approximately 20 years with emphasis on

legal and medical malpractice, products liability, construction and commercial disputes.

In the past five years my practice has become increasingly more focused on

ADR work

SUPPLEMENT

Percentage of practice in last 5 years representing plaintiff 30 % or defense 70 %

Percentage of Federal or State court practice in last 5 years: Federal % State %

Number of years engaged in active litigation: 20

EXPERTISE

Indicate all substantive areas in which you have expertise. Place a "1" by your strongest area(s) and a "2" by all other areas in which you have expertise. (Do not rank beyond "1" and "2.") After any category you have marked, please identify any sub-areas of expertise you have (e.g. "medical malpractice" after Personal Injury).

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<u> </u> Miller Act	<u> </u> Copyrights
<u> 1</u> Personal Injury	<u> </u> Patent
<u> 1</u> Product Liability	<u> </u> Trademark
<u> 1</u> Other (specify) <u>legal malpractice</u>	

Publications: _____

MEDIATION EXPERIENCE

Mediation experience (particularly in the subject matter categories above): ~~I have been qualified as a mediator since 10/94. I have mediated approximately 800 cases since that time and have arbitrated approximately 30~~

Other courts or organizations for whom you serve as a mediator (please note any certifications): I have served as a mediator in the state court for Charleston Common Pleas and USDC

Number of mediations conducted: 800 Number of other ADR sessions conducted: 30

MEDIATION AND OTHER ADR TRAINING

<u>Course Provider</u>	<u>Course Content</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>No. of Hours</u>
<u>DMI</u>	<u>Mediation Techniques</u>	<u>10/94</u>	<u>Chas, SC</u>	<u>40</u>

SUPPLEMENT

OTHER INFORMATION

Are you familiar with the statutes, rules and practice governing alternative dispute resolution in the District of South Carolina? yes no

Other relevant experience or skills or other information you would like considered in connection with this application:

Cities in which you are available to conduct mediation:

Columbia Charleston Greenville Florence

Other: Beaufort, Myrtle Beach

Fees charged:

Hourly Rate: \$ 250 Minimum charge each mediation: \$ No minimum charge

How do you bill for travel? (explain): Travel is billed at the same hourly rate as mediation plus \$.31 per mile

I agree to: (1) Be subject to the Rules of Professional Conduct, Rule 407, South Carolina Appellate Court Rules; the Rules for Lawyer Disciplinary Enforcement, Rule 413, South Carolina Appellate Court Rules; and the Local Rules of the District Court; (2) Provide mediation to indigents without pay if ordered by the Court; (3) Notify the Alternative Dispute Resolution Program Director of any change in the above facts or otherwise in my ability to perform duties as a mediator; (4) Disclosure of information contained in this application to litigants and other members of the public.

I certify that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signature:  _____ Date: 6/8/00
Applicant

Return completed application to:
Danny H. Mullis, Director
Alternative Dispute Resolution Program
United States District Court
Post Office Box 835
Charleston, SC 29402-0835

Reviewed: _____ Date: _____
ADR Program

Approved: Initially approved 10/16/95 by _____ Date: _____
Judge Norton _____ Judge