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.

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ADMISSIONS AND AFFILIATIONS

Date admitted to the Bar of the District of South Carolina: 1983 I.D. No.: 2090

Date admitted to the South Carolina Bar: 11/19/80 Bar No.: 2465

Other courts or jurisdictions to which admitted (with dates of admission and bar nos.):
FL 10/81 #328340; MD 11/79 No Bar #.

Membership and positions held in bar, ADR and professional associations:
Past President, S.C. Trial Lawyers Association

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

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

EDUCATION

Year law degree received 1979, 1983 Law School Univ. of MD Law School, JD
Tulane Univ. Law School, LLM

Other professional degrees received (including year and school)

Lawyer in private practice since 1985, U.S. Navy JAGC 1979 - 1983

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:

Percentage of practice in last 5 years representing plaintiff 99 % or defense 1 %

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

Number of years engaged in active litigation: 31

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).

1 Admiralty	____ Security or Shareholders suits
____ Antitrust	____ Labor
____ Contracts	____ ERISA
____ Environment	____ Wrongful Termination
____ Fraud or Civil RICO	____ Civil Rights in Employment
____ Insurance	____ Other Civil Rights
____ Miller Act	____ Copyrights
1 Personal Injury	____ Patent
2 Product Liability	____ Trademark
____ Other (specify)____	

Publications: See attached C/V.

MEDIATION EXPERIENCE

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

I have served as a neutral in 50+ cases involving admiralty or Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act issues.

Other courts or organizations for whom you serve as a mediator (please note any certifications):

Number of mediations conducted: 50+ Number of other ADR sessions conducted: ____

MEDIATION AND OTHER ADR TRAINING

Course Provider	Course Content	Date	Place	No. of Hours
S.C. Bar	Civil Mediator Training	4/8/10 - 4/12/10	Columbia, SC	40

OTHER INFORMATION

Are you familiar with the statutes, rules and practice governing alternative dispute resolution in the District of South Carolina? XX 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 _____

Fees charged:

Hourly Rate: $ 300.00 Minimum charge each mediation:$ n/a

How do you bill for travel? (explain):

Hourly rate charged for travel. Travel expense not billed.

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: Edward Rabb Date: 7 May 10
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: Danny H. Mullis Date: 5/13/10
ADR Program

Approved: _____ Date: 5/23/10
U.S. District Judge

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BIOGRAPHICAL RESUME OF

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Education:

B.A. Government and Politics, December 1975, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland.

J.D., May 1979, University of Maryland School of Law, Baltimore, Maryland.

L.L.M. In Admiralty, May 1983, Tulane University School of Law, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Employment:

Riesen Law Firm, L.L.P., Lawyer in General Practice with emphasis in Civil Litigation and Admiralty Law, September 1983 to present.

United States Navy, Judge Advocate General's Corps, Assistant Staff Judge Advocate, Chief of Naval Reserve, New Orleans, Louisiana; Administrative and Criminal Law, January 1982 to September 1983.

Head Legal Assistance Officer, Naval Legal Service Office, Charleston, South Carolina, Legal Aid, June 1981 to January 1982.

Defense Counsel, Naval Legal Service Office, Charleston, South Carolina; Counsel in General and Special Court Martials, December 1975 to June 1981.

Graduate Naval Justice School, Newport, Rhode Island.

U.S. Navy Court of Military Review, Washington, D.C., Clerk, July 1978 to September 1978.

Awards:

William P. Cunningham Award for exceptional achievement and service to the University of Maryland School of Law, May 1979.

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Certifications: *Board Certified by the National Board of Trial Advocacy in Civil Trial Advocacy, 1997*

Ratings: *Martindale Hubbel A/V*

Licenses: *Maryland (1979); South Carolina (1980), Florida (1981)*

Professional Affiliations: *President, S.C. Trial Lawyers Association 1997 to 1998; President Elect, S.C. Trial Lawyers Association 1996 to 1997; Vice President, S.C. Trial Lawyers Association 1995 to 1996; Treasurer, S.C. Trial Lawyers Association 1994 to 1995; Secretary, S.C. Trial Lawyers Association 1993 to 1994; Editor, S.C. Trial Lawyers Association Bulletin 1992 to 1993; Chairman of the Ethics and Civility Committee beginning 1992; Board of Governors, S.C. Trial Lawyers Association 1986 to 1991; Chairman of Torts and Negligence Subcommittee, S.C. Trial Lawyers Association 1988 - 1992; Past Chairman Ethics Subcommittee S.C. Trial Lawyers Association 1988 to 1990; S.C. Legislative Steering Committee 1988 to present; Executive Committee, S.C. Trial Lawyers Association 1989 to 1990; Nominating Committee, S.C. Trial Lawyers Association 1989 to 1990; Executive Committee, Charleston County Bar Association 1993, 1997; Honors and Awards Committee, S.C. Trial Lawyers Association, 1991 to present; S.C. Trial Lawyers Association; American Bar Association; S.C. Bar Association; Maryland Bar Association; Florida Bar Association; Association of Trial Lawyers of America (Admiralty, Product Liability and Workers' Compensation Sections); Maritime Law Association of the United States (Proctor); Southeastern Admiralty Law Institute; American Board of Trial Advocates; President, American Board of Trial Advocates, Charleston Chapter 2005 to 2006; Board Member Admiralty Law Institute, Charleston School of Law 2005 - ; Workplace Injury Litigation Group; Firearms Litigation Group; Board of Governors, National Board of Trial Advocacy, 2000 to present;*

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Publications and Lectures:

Lecturer Remedies and Damages, S.C. Bar Association Seminar, June 1989; Update of S.C. Insurance Law, October 1989; Author Arbitration as an Answer for Property Damage Woes, S.C. Trial Lawyers Association Bulletin, Spring 1988; Author Is Loss of Use Recoverable in a Total Loss Case?, S.C. Trial Lawyers Association Bulletin, Summer 1989, reprinted by S.C. Bar Association Damages and Remedies, June 1989; Author of materials, and Chairman of Maritime Workers' Compensation Seminar, N. Charleston, S.C., August 1991; Author Don't Forget The In Rem Remedy, Auto Torts Seminar, S.C. Trial Lawyers Association, Atlanta, GA, December, 1991; Author Charitable Immunity in South Carolina, S.C. Trial Lawyers Association Bulletin, Summer 1992; Author and Lecturer Premises Liability, Association of Trial Lawyers of America National Meetings, Washington, 1992, San Francisco, 1993, Atlanta, 1993; Author Using Quicken for Lawyer Trust Accounts, S.C. Trial Lawyers Association Bulletin, Spring 1993; Author A Look at Peephole Litigation, American Trial Lawyers Association Trial, October 1994; Author Butler and Osborne, Their Effects on UIM Coverage, S.C. Trial Lawyers Association Bulletin, Spring 1997; Lecturer "Hot Tips from Experts", S.C. Bar Association Seminar, 1996; Lecturer "Cross-Examination of Safety Experts", S.C. Bar Association Seminar, 1996; Author and Lecturer Making Criminals Pay, Auto Insurance for Intentional Acts, S.C. Trial Lawyers Association Auto Torts Seminar, Atlanta, GA 1997; Author and Lecturer Survey of State Lien Law, South Eastern Admiralty Law Association Meeting, Savannah, GA 1998;Author and Lecturer Longshore Trial Practice from a Claimant's Perspective, Loyola University School of Law, Annual Longshore Seminar, New Orleans, LA 2000; Author The Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act--South Carolina's Other Compensation System, S.C. Trial Lawyers Association Bulletin, Winter 1999; Lecturer How to Try a Wreck Case, II, S.C. Bar Association Seminar, 2001; Speaker Charleston Art of Trial Advocacy Workshop, 2000, 2001; Speaker U.S. Department of Labor Administrative Law Judges Conference, Charleston, SC 2001; Author and Lecturer Concurrent Jurisdiction of LHWCA, ATLA, July 2002; Author and Lecturer What I Know Now That I Wish I Knew Then, S.C. Trial Lawyers Convention, July, 2002; Author and Lecturer Concurrent Jurisdiction of LHWCA, South Carolina Bar CLE, March 2006; Author and Lecturer LHWCA Concurrent Jurisdiction and Collateral Estoppel, Loyola University Longshore Seminar, April 2006;

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Military Background:

Platoon Leader Candidate, U.S. Marine Corps, (Air), March 1973 to November 1974.
Commissioned Ensign, U.S. Navy, Law Student Program, June 1977.
Active Duty, Judge Advocate General Corps, U.S. Navy, October 1979 to September, 1983
Special Duty Officer (Intelligence), Naval Investigative Service, Reserve Unit 1407, September 1983 to October 1991. Reserve Agent, Naval Investigative Service, 1985 to 1991. Commander, U.S. Naval Reserve Intelligence Corps, 1991 to 2005.