

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

Application for Mediators

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ADMISSIONS AND AFFILIATIONS

Date admitted to the South Carolina Bar: 1980

Date admitted to the Bar of the United States District Court of the District of South Carolina: 1982

Other court or jurisdictions to which admitted (with dates of admission): US Court of Appeals - 12/29/82

EDUCATION

Year law degree received: 1980 Law School: University of Maine, School of Law

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:
Trial attorney in general civil practice with trial practice in Family Courts and general civil and Family mediation and arbitration.

Percentage of practice in last 5 years representing plaintiff 80% or defense 20%

Number of years engaged in active litigation: 15

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).

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

Publications:

MEDIATION EXPERIENCE

Mediation experience (particularly in the subject matter categories above): State, Federal and Family Court Law weeks; general attorney referrals.

Other courts or organizations for whom you serve as a mediator: see above

Number of mediations conducted: 10+

MEDIATION TRAINING

<u>Course Provider</u>	<u>Course Content</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>No. of Hours</u>
The Divorce Mediation Institute Ann Arbor Michigan		3/17/92	Chas., SC	40
SC Bar CLE	Circuit Ct. Arbitration Rules	6/30/95	Chas., SC	8.0
SC Bar CLE	Family Court Mediation Rules	6/30/95	Chas., SC	8.0

Various Law Week Mediation Training

OTHER INFORMATION

Other relevant experience or skills or other information you would like considered:

Cities in which you are available to conduct mediation:

- Columbia
- Charleston
- Greenville
- Florence

Other

Fees charged:

Hourly Rate: \$ 125

Minimum charge each mediation: \$ 250

How do you bill for travel? (explain): hourly rate is applied