

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: 4/1/74 I.D. No.: 3722

Date admitted to the South Carolina Bar: 11/3/73 Bar No.: 4934

Other courts or jurisdictions to which admitted (with dates of admission and bar nos.): Texas 00788844,
12/31/93; Georgia 626125, 10/26/77; Pennsylvania 42465, 11/9/84,

District of Columbia 229906, 6/9/76.
Membership and positions held in bar, ADR and professional associations: Education sub-committee of
SC Bar Comm. on ADR, SC Council on Mediation & ADR, SPIDR, Texas Assoc.
of Mediators, State Bar of Texas ADR section, Academy of Family Mediators

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 1973 Law School University of South Carolina

Other professional degrees received (including year and school): Master of Dispute Resolution,
Pepperdine University School of Law (1997), Master of Divinity, Candler
School of Theology, Emory University (1979), M.Ed.(Counseling), USC, 1976

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:
1970's: general civil practice. 1986-93: labor, employment, and
immigration law. Since 1993, practice limited to federal administrative
matters, predominantly deportation defense and BIA appeals, while
developing expertise in alternative dispute resolution processes.

I intend to devote full time to ADR practice after concluding all
pending immigration matters.

Percentage of practice in last 5 years representing plaintiff _____ % or defense 100 % immigration matters

Percentage of Federal or State court practice in last 5 years: Federal 95 % State 5 % Texas practice

Number of years engaged in active litigation: 11

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

Publications: Articles published by the SC Bar CLE Division: "Alternative Disput Resolution: Options For The South Carolina Lawyer:" "Things You Hope You Never See in Mediation, But Will." - March, 1996
MEDIATION EXPERIENCE

Mediation experience (particularly in the subject matter categories above): Over 200 hours court mandated civil mediation and settlement conference moderation, Dept. "0." Superior Court of Los Angeles; Over 160 hours family, community, and victim/offender mediation; 90 hours systems design, third party neutral assessment, and mediation of church disputes.

Other courts or organizations for whom you serve as a mediator: Texas Courts: Hidalgo and Cameron Counties; South Carolina arbitrator and mediator; Claremont DR Ctr. (CA).

Number of mediations conducted: @70

MEDIATION TRAINING

Course Provider	Course Content	Date	Place	No. of Hours
A.A.White	Dispute Resolution Institute	12/95	Houston, Texas	40 hours
Sam Houston State Univ.	Family Mediation	3/96	Huntsville, Texas	24 hours
Pepperdine University School of Law	Master of Dispute Resolution degree			
Univ. of South Florida	Employment Dispute Mediation	1/98	Tampa, Florida	7 hours

OTHER INFORMATION

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

Other relevant experience or skills or other information you would like considered in connection with this application:
Trained ADR professional holding a second law degree in the field.

Skills include assessment, consultation, co-mediation, and collaborative
DR system design appropriate for multi-party conflicts. Please see
attached practice description.

Cities in which you are available to conduct mediation:

X Columbia X Charleston X Greenville X Florence
Other without reserve

Fees charged:

Hourly Rate: \$ 175 Minimum charge each mediation: \$ 350

How do you bill for travel? (explain): mileage and actual expenses within 125 miles
of Charleston. Beyond 125 miles, a negotiated per diem in addition
to out of pocket expenses.

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 John Maxwell Handlin Date January 8, 1998
Applicant

Return completed application to:
U.S. District Court
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Approved: Donna W. Shedd Date 1/21/98
U.S. District Judge

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PRACTICE DESCRIPTION

A trained, experienced conflict resolution professional offering dispute resolution and conflict avoidance systems design, third party neutral assessment, mediation, and arbitration of interpersonal and organizational disputes.

EDUCATION

1995-97 Master of Dispute Resolution, School of Law, Pepperdine University.
1993-94 Post graduate study: Systematic Theology, Mount Saint Mary's Seminary
1976-79 Master of Divinity, Candler School of Theology, Emory University
1974-76 Master of Education (Counseling), University of South Carolina
1970-73 Juris Doctor, School of Law, University of South Carolina
1967-70 Bachelor of Arts (History), University of South Carolina

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

1997 - Conflict Resolution Services, 18 Broad Street, Charleston, SC. Alternative dispute resolution practice offering mediation, arbitration, consultation, and counsel.
1993-1997 - Attorney and Mediator, Harlingen, TX. Civil mediator in the State Courts of Texas and California.
1986-1993 - Attorney, Charleston, SC. Civil practice including immigration and employment matters.
1979-1986 - United Methodist Parish Minister and Chaplain.
1974-1976 - Director of Law Placement & Student Affairs, School of Law, University of South Carolina.
1973-1974 - Managing Partner, Corley, Sandlin and Perry, Attorneys at Law, Columbia, SC. General civil practice.

ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION EXPERIENCE

Over 200 hours court mandated civil mediation and settlement conference moderation, Superior Court, Los Angeles, CA.

Over 160 hours family, community, and victim/offender mediation through the Claremont Dispute Resolution Center, Claremont, CA.

90 hours systems design, negotiation, and mediation of church disputes in Texas, Virginia, and Michigan, as well as an estimated 90 hours of consultation nationally.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE AND PUBLICATIONS

Fall 1997 - Lecturer in Interpersonal Conflict Resolution, Master of Arts in Conflict Resolution, Columbia College of SC.
March 15, 1996 - Papers published by South Carolina Bar CLE Division:
"Alternative Dispute Resolution: Options for the South Carolina Lawyer"
"Things You Hope You Never See in Mediation, But Will"
September 1995 - Book review - "Friedman's Guide to Divorce Mediation: 834 Texas Bar Journal

CERTIFICATIONS, LICENSES, AND MEMBERSHIPS

Certified civil mediator and arbitrator in South Carolina, Texas, and California. Admitted to the bar in South Carolina, Georgia, Texas, Pennsylvania, and the District of Columbia. SC Bar Committee on ADR, SC Council on Mediation and ADR, Texas Association of Mediators, the Academy of Family Mediators, and the Society of Professionals In Dispute Resolution (SPIDR).

AWARDS

1996 - National Pro Bono Award of the American Immigration Lawyers Association
1995 - PROBAR Award, "For Outstanding Service in Defense of Human Rights Through Asylum Representation."
1992 - South Carolina Bar Pro Bono Service Award.

REFERENCES

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