

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: 12/14/82 I.D. No.: 1403

Date admitted to the South Carolina Bar: 11/82 Bar No.: 791

Other courts or jurisdictions to which admitted (with dates of admission and bar nos.): U.S. Court of Appeals, 4<sup>th</sup> Circuit, 3/3/93

Membership and positions held in bar, ADR and professional associations: S.C. Bar Association; Member Ethics

Advisory Committee; Beaufort County Bar Association, Vice President

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: 1982 Law School: University of South Carolina

Other professional degrees received (including year and school): None. (MA, 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:

My experience has been chiefly in civil litigation for the past 18 years, although I have a general practice with emphasis on Maritime litigation.

Percentage of practice in last 5 years representing plaintiff 75 % or defense 25 %

Percentage of Federal or State court practice in last 5 years: Federal 15 % State 85 %

Number of years engaged in active litigation: 18

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**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).

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

Publications: None

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**MEDIATION EXPERIENCE**

Mediation experience (particularly in the subject matter categories above): I have participated in approximately 30 mediations as the representative of a party. I have also participated in several arbitrations

Other courts or organizations for whom you serve as a mediator (please note any certifications): I am certified by the S.C. Supreme Court's Board of Arbitrator and Mediator Certification as a circuit court mediator

Number of mediations conducted: 0 Number of other ADR sessions conducted: 1

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**MEDIATION AND OTHER ADR TRAINING**

Course Provider	Course Content	Date	Place	No. of Hours
S.C. Council for Conflict Resolution	Civil Court Mediation Training	07/10/00 to 07/14/00	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:

27 years service as an Officer in the U.S. Army (active & National Guard); 3 years as a High School teacher; 3 years as a college English instructor

Cities in which you are available to conduct mediation:

X Columbia      X Charleston      X Greenville      X Florence

Other: Hilton Head Island; Beaufort; Myrtle Beach; Georgetown

Fees charged:

Hourly Rate: \$ 125.00-200.00      Minimum charge each mediation: \$ 250.00

How do you bill for travel? (explain): Mileage at \$0.32 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: John Bowen      Date: January 4, 2001  
John R.C. Bowen, 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: 1/3/01  
ADRP Program

Approved: [Signature]      Date: 1/9/01  
U.S. District Judge