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: 1975 I.D. No.: 708

Date admitted to the South Carolina Bar: 1975 Bar No.: 1878

Other courts or jurisdictions to which admitted (with dates of admission and bar nos.):

Membership and positions held in bar, ADR and professional associations: See attached resume

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

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

EDUCATION

Year law degree received 1975 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:
Civil defense litigation and workers' compensation mediation

Percentage of practice in last 5 years representing plaintiff 5 % or defense 95 %

Percentage of Federal or State court practice in last 5 years: Federal 10 % State 40 %

Number of years engaged in active litigation: 26

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

Publications:

MEDIATION EXPERIENCE

Mediation experience (particularly in the subject matter categories above):
Mediated cases for lawyers in Columbia over last 3 years without any certification or formal training. Now I have the formal training also represented lots of clients in mediation.

Other courts or organizations for whom you serve as a mediator (please note any certifications):
S.C. Court of Common Pleas

Number of mediations conducted: 12 Number of other ADR sessions conducted: 4 arbitrations

MEDIATION AND OTHER ADR TRAINING

Course Provider	Course Content	Date	Place	No. of Hours
Harness & Associates	Civil Mediation	3/22-26/01	Pineville, N.C.	43 hours

OTHER INFORMATION

Are you familiar with the statutes, rules and practice governing alternative dispute resolution 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:

Cities in which you are available to conduct mediation:

X Columbia X Charleston X Greenville X Florence

Other Statewide

Fees charged:

Hourly Rate: $200.00 Minimum charge each mediation: $ None

How do you bill for travel? (explain): Will negotiate

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: 4/12/01
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: 4/17/01
ADR Program

Approved: _____ Date: 4/17/01
U.S. District Judge

3/2000

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EDUCATION:

Davidson College	*B.A. Political Science 1972*
USC School of Law	*J.D. 1975*

SC BAR ACTIVITIES:

- *Member – House of Delegates 1982–present*
- *Member – Workers' Compensation Section (Chairman 1992–1993)*
- *Member – CLE Committee 1988-1994*
- *Chairman – Lawyer Referral Service 1992–1994*
- *Member – Trial and Appellate Practice Section (Council Member 1996–present)*
- *Speaker at numerous Bar sponsored CLE programs*
- *Participant in Pro Bono program – 1994 Pro Bono Law Firm of the Year*
- *S.C. Bar Foundation – Life Fellow*

OTHER LAW RELATED ACTIVIES:

- *Member – American Bar Association*
- *Member – Richland County Bar*
- *Member – S.C. Defense Trial Lawyers Association*
- *Member – Defense Research Institute*
- *Member – S.C. Self-Insurer's Association*
  (Board of Directors 1989-1992)
  (Vice President 1992-1994)
  (President 1994-1996)
- *Member - S.C. Chamber of Commerce Task Force for Workers' Compensation Reform*

PERSONAL:

Born April 12, 1950 –Walterboro, SC
Married to Rebecca C. Ellis
Three Children
Member of Trinity Cathedral
Former President of Columbia Lyric Opera
Chairman – Columbia Traffic Safety Committee
Former Coach – Youth Football, Classic League Soccer, Girl's Softball
Board of Directors – Carolina Sunshine for Children, Inc.