

# ATTORNEY DOMESTIC MEDIATORS GWINNETT COUNTY

**Name: Chris Annunziata, Esq.**

**Telephone: 404-551-3643**

**Areas of Experience:** Commercial, Contracts, Corporate, Employment Law, Insurance, Personal Injury, Products Liability

**ADR Experience:** Mr. Annunziata is a full-time civil mediator with CKA Mediation and Arbitrations Services. He has more than eleven years experience as a civil litigator and acted as lead counsel or second chair in more than twenty trials and an equal number of mediations. His experience ranges from business disputes, employment discrimination and breach of fiduciary duties claims to wrongful death, products liability and negligence claims. He is registered as a civil mediator by the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution, and is a member of the State Bar of Georgia, the Atlanta Bar Association, and the Association for Conflict Resolution.

**Professional Experience:**

2006 - Present: CKA Mediation and Arbitration Service

2004 - 2006: Lord Bissell and Brook, LLP, Atlanta, GA

2001 - 2004: Law Offices of Christopher K. Annunziata, Atlanta, GA

2000 - 2001: Stokes, Lazarus and Carmichael, Atlanta, GA

**Education:** Fordham University School of Law, J.D., 1996; Georgia Tech, B.S.

**ADR Fees:** \$240 per hour

**Name: Bruce W. Bennett, Esq., C.P.A.**

**Telephone: 770-978-7603; Email: Bennett-ADR.com**

**Areas of Experience:** Account Disputes, Bankruptcy, Business Disputes, Child Custody, Construction, Contracts, Criminal Defense, Divorce, Employment, Franchise, Personal Injury, Probate, Real Estate, Subrogation, Tax, Trademarks, Wills and Estates

**ADR Experience:** Mr. Bennett has mediated or arbitrated over 700 cases in addition to having represented litigants in both arbitrations and mediations on numerous occasions. He has mediated and arbitrated cases between corporate, partnership and individual litigants involving amounts ranging from less than \$10,000 to over 18 million dollars. Mr. Bennett has mediated and arbitrated cases before the State and Superior courts of the State of Georgia, American Arbitration Association (AAA), New York Stock Exchange, National Association of Securities Dealers and State Bar of Georgia, and served as panel chairman, sole arbitrator, and panel arbitrator in multi-party cases.

**Professional Experience:**

2011 - Present: Bennett Arbitration & mediation, LLC, Grayson, GA

2001 - 2011: Bennett Law Offices, LLC, Lawrenceville, GA

1998 - 2000: Wren & Associates, Sugar Hill, GA

1994 - 1998: The Coca Cola Co., Atlanta, GA

1984 - 1994: National Service Industries, Inc., Atlanta, GA

**Education:** Luther Rice University, M.A., 2010; John Marshall Law School, J.D., 2000; Certified Public Accountant (C.P.A.), 1992; University of Georgia, B.B.A., 1983

**ADR Fees:** \$150 per hour

**Name: JoAnn P. Berry, Esq.**

**Telephone: 678-296-6259; Email: jbberry6@bellsouth.net**

**Areas of Experience:** Consumer/Business, Debt, Contracts, Landlord/Tenant, Real Estate, Custody, Alimony, Child Support, Visitation, Domestic cases with prior Domestic Violence

**ADR Experience:** Ms. Berry has mediated hundreds of cases including domestic cases calculating child support and involving domestic violence. Ms. Berry is registered with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution and offers private mediation services as well as mediation services through court programs. She has over twenty years experience, practicing in New York and Georgia. In New York State, Ms. Berry provided bankruptcy and creditor/debtor representation and participated in arbitrations. She has practiced in Georgia in the areas of Estate and Gift Taxation, Consumer law and Domestic law, and served as guardian ad litem. She has experience in the areas of Multilevel Business Marketing and Equal Employment. Ms. Berry mediated cases involving pro se litigants as well as individuals represented by counsel and is trained in Advanced Mediation involving Domestic Violence.

**Professional Experience:**

2004 - Present: Self Employed, Realtor. Metrobrokers GMAC

2003 - Present: Self Employed, Attorney/Mediator - General and Domestic

1997 - 2003: Staff Attorney, DeKalb County Court Administration, Decatur, GA

1988 - 1996: Staff Attorney, Georgia Governor's Office of Consumer Affairs, Atlanta, GA

1986 - 1988: Department of Treasury, Internal Revenue Service, Atlanta, GA

1985 - 1986: Staff Attorney, Municipal Employee Legal Services, New York, New York

**Education:** Howard University School of Law, J.D., 1984; State University of New York at Stony Brook, Stony Brook, NY, B.A., Psychology, 1980

**ADR Fees:** \$175.00 per hour. \$175 cancellation fee with at least 48 hours notice and \$300 if 24 hours notice or less.

**Name: Tracey Mason Blasi, Esq.**

**Telephone: 770-963-6909**

**Areas of Experience:** Domestic, Property, Zoning/Land Use, Government, Probate including wills, trusts and estates, Commercial Contracts, Construction, Corporate, Employment Law, Insurance, Labor/Management, Personal Injury, Products Liability, Professional Liability/Malpractice, Tax matters

**ADR Experience:** Ms. Blasi is an attorney registered with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution to arbitrate and mediate in domestic and non-domestic civil cases. She has participated in the State's training of mediators and, since becoming registered in 2000, she has mediated or arbitrated more than 700 civil cases. In addition, she currently practices in Georgia in the areas of zoning and land use law, condemnations, and serves as a Guardian ad litem in the Superior, Juvenile and Probate Courts. Ms. Mason-Blasi has training for 2007 Child Support Guidelines.

**Professional Experience:**

2000 - Present: Private Practice, Lawrenceville, GA.

2003 - 2005: Judge, Municipal Court of Duluth, GA

1995 - 2000: Anderson, Davidson & Tate, P.C., Lawrenceville, GA.

**Education:** GSU College of Law, J.D., 1995; University of North Carolina, B.A., 1983.

**ADR Fees:** \$195 per hour with one hour commitment. One hour fee assessed if not cancelled within 24 hours.

**Name: Tracy Frix Brogdon, Esq.****Telephone: 770-945-0220****Areas of Experience:** Divorce, Custody and Family Law**ADR Experience:** Ms. Brogdon is an attorney registered with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution to mediate in domestic and non-domestic civil cases. In addition, she currently practices in Georgia in the areas of domestic law and estate planning. Ms. Brogdon has extensive training on the new child support guidelines and parenting plans.**Professional Experience:**

2006 - Present: Tracy Frix Brogdon, Attorney at Law, Buford, GA

1996 - 2006: Dianne M. Frix, Attorney at Law, Buford, GA

**Education:** John Marshall Law School, JD, 2005; North Georgia College & State University, B.S., 2002**ADR Fees:** \$150 per hour**Name: William F. Brogdon, Esq.****Telephone: 770-978-1181****Areas of Experience:** Account, Banking/Finance, Commercial, Construction, Contracts, Corporate, Domestic, Employment Law, Government, Health Care, Insurance, Labor/Management, Personal Injury, Products Liability, Prof. Liability/Malpractice, Property, Zoning/Land Use, International**ADR Experience:** Mr. Brogdon is a permanent, part-time Magistrate for Gwinnett County, who has 23 years of judging experience in Municipal, Magistrate, Juvenile, State & Superior Courts. He is a registered neutral with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution in the areas of Arbitration, General Civil mediation, Domestic Relations mediation, and Specialized Domestic Violence mediation. With over 25 years as a practicing attorney he is also a practicing Solicitor in England & Wales. He currently mediates in the Ninth Judicial District, and prefer to co-mediate domestic cases with Leah Cagle, Georgia Mediation Professionals.**Professional Experience:**

2001 – Present: Judgeships Gwinnett County

1986 – Present: Private Practice, Self employed

**Education:** Europa Institute, University of Amsterdam, LL.M., 1984; Walter F. George School of Law, Mercer University, J.D., 1982; School of Business & Economics, Mercer University, MBA, 1982; Mercer University, BBA, 1979**ADR Fees:** \$200 per hour, 2 hour minimum. Also available to co-mediate with Leah Cagle at a combined total of \$200 per hour.**Name: L. Rochelle Brown, Esq.****Telephone: 770-279-0050****Areas of Experience:** Account, Contracts, Domestic**ADR Experience:** Since 1996 Ms. Brown has been in private practice as an attorney, primarily in the area of family law (divorce, custody, child support, legitimation, adoption). Over the past 10 years she has participated in numerous mediations, and firmly believes that mediation offers many advantages to both the parties and the attorneys involved in the disputes. Therefore, she is expanding her practice to include work as a domestic mediator. Ms. Brown has training for 2007 Child Support Guidelines.**Professional Experience:**

1996 – Present: Self employed, private practice, Lawrenceville, GA

1979 – 1996: X-Cel Contacts, Duluth, GA

**Education:** Atlanta Law School, J.D., 1988; Georgia State University, B.A., 1981.**ADR Fees:** \$150 per hour**Name: Teri L. Brown, Esq.****Telephone: 678-346-5672****Areas of Experience:** Account, Banking Finance, Commercial, Contracts, Corporate, Domestic, Insurance, Personal Injury, Prof. Liability/Malpractice, Property, Bankruptcy**ADR Experience:** Teri L. Brown is a registered neutral with the GA Office of Dispute Resolution, having received over 150 hours of training in civil and domestic mediation. She has a law degree from Georgia State University College of Law and a Bachelor's degree in Psychology. She has several years bank management and business experience, she worked as a paralegal for over 10 years, has worked with bankruptcy trustees (creditor and debtor issues) and debt collection. Ms. Brown has a solid background in family issues, divorce, adoption, custody, child support, wills and probate, real estate, HOA issues, landlord/tenant disputes and contracts.**Professional Experience:**

2007 – Present: Civil and Domestic Mediation, Arbitration, Acworth, GA

2007 – 2008: United State Trustee, Dept of Justice, Atlanta, GA

2007 – 2008: Georgia State University College of Law, Atlanta, GA

1997-2000, 2003-2004: Josie Redwine, PC, Marietta, GA

1994 – 1996: Weaver, Mosebach, Piosa, Hixon, &amp; Marles, Allentown, PA

**Education:** Georgia State University College of Law, J.D. 2008; University of Texas at Dallas, MBA Program, 1991; Southern Arkansas University, B.S., 1979**ADR Fees:** \$100 per hour**Name: Robert A. Burnett, Esq.****Telephone: 404-504-7045****Areas of Experience:** Domestic**ADR Experience:** After serving as a United Methodist Minister for 6 years Mr. Burnett attended Georgia State Law School, graduating in 1990. He has been a sole practitioner since 1993, exclusively in domestic relations since 1995, practicing in Fulton, Cobb, DeKalb, Gwinnett and Forsyth counties. Mr. Burnett started serving as a guardian ad litem in custody disputes in 2004, and has served in over 45 cases since that time. He has been practicing as a domestic relations neutral exclusively since 2010, serving as a mediator, guardian ad litem and arbitrator. www.robertaburnett.com**Professional Experience:**

1993 - Present: Robert A. Burnett, P.C., Atlanta, GA

1992 - 1993: Welch, Spell, Reemsnyder &amp; Pless, Atlanta, GA

1990 - 1992: Webb, Carlock, Copeland, Semler &amp; Stair, Atlanta, GA

1985 - 1990: Various positions during law school

1979 - 1985: United Methodist Church

**Education:** Georgia State College of Law, JD, 1990; Candler School of Theology (Emory), M Div, 1979; Emory University, BA, 1975**ADR Fees:** \$200 per hour

**Name: Betty L. Bush, Esq.****Telephone: 404-763-2536****Areas of Experience:** Account, Banking/Finance, Commercial, Construction, Contracts, Corporate, Domestic, Employment, Government, Health Care, Insurance, Labor/Management, Personal Injury, Prof Liability/Malpractice, Property, Zoning/Land Use**ADR Experience:** Betty L. Bush is an attorney who has arbitrated and mediated cases as Counsel for a major fortune 500 corporate company for over ten years. She has received training in divorce mediation from the Atlanta Divorce Mediators, Inc. approved by the Family Academy of Mediators. Betty L. Bush is a registered neutral with the state of Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution to do general/civil/business mediations as well. She currently practices family, business and probate law.**Professional Experience:**

2001 - Present: Self -employed, Law Practice

1999 - 2001: Author

1988 - 1999: Allstate Insurance Co., Counsel, Atlanta, GA

1987 - 1988: Harmon, Smith &amp; Bridges, Counsel, Atlanta, GA

1985 - 1986: DeKalb Superior Court, Law Clerk for Honorable Carol W. Hunstein, Decatur, GA

1981: Legislative Assistant for U.S. Congressman Douglas Barnard, Jr., Washington, DC

**Education:** University of Georgia, J.D., 1985; University of Georgia, BBA Accounting, 1981**ADR Fees:** \$165.00 per hour, or any portion there of, some cases fee is flexible. Must cancel within 24 hours or a minimal of \$100.00 is charged, plus travel expenses.**Name: Michael T. Byrne, Esq.****Telephone: 770-979-4300****Areas of Experience:** Account, Commercial, Contracts, Domestic, Insurance, Personal Injury, Products Liability, Professional Liability/Malpractice**ADR Experience:** Mr. Byrne has been in private practice of law since 1987. He began his career doing primarily insurance defense related cases focusing on tort liability. Additionally, he worked on several matters related to insurance coverage issues. For the past twenty years, he has been involved in the general practice of law handling various types of disputes involving personal injury law, domestic and family law issues, as well as general contract and real estate litigation matters. Early in his career, he was exposed to mediation and has successfully represented several hundred clients through the mediation process.**Professional Experience:**

1991 - Present: Self employed, Law Practice, Atlanta/Gwinnett

1989 – 1991: Donald J. Ellis, P.C., Atlanta

1986 – 1988: Carter &amp; Ansley, Atlanta, GA

1983 – 1986: Wildman, Harrold, Allen, Dixon &amp; Branch, Atlanta, GA

**Education:** Georgia State University, J.D., 1987; Creighton University, B.A., 1979**ADR Fees:** \$200 per hour**Name: Hala Carey, Esq.****Telephone: 404-395-0050****Areas of Experience:** Contracts, Domestic, Employment Law, Government, Insurance, Person Injury, products Liability, prof.Liability/Malpractice, Property, Zoning/Land Use, Civil rights, Premises Liability, Class C misdemeanors**ADR Experience:** Ms. Carey is a licensed attorney in good standing in both Georgia and Texas with seven years of civil litigation experience. Practice areas included personal injury, premises liability, professional malpractice, contract disputes, employment contracts, employment discrimination, sexual harassment, civil rights defense (§ 1981 and 1983 cases) involving local governments and public officials, and general counsel to clients on preventive litigation measures.**Professional Experience:**

April 2009 – Present: Carey Associates, L.L.C., Atlanta, GA

August 1994 – May 2001: Vial, Hamilton, Koch &amp; Knox, L.L.P., Dallas, TX

**Education:** University of Texas School of Law, J.D., 1994; Baruch College- City University of New York, B.B.A., 1987**ADR Fees:** \$200 per hour**Name: Charles W. Chesbro, Esq.****Telephone: 770-952-5000****Areas of Experience:** Account, Commercial, Construction, Contracts, Corporate, Domestic, Personal Injury, Property**ADR Experience:** Currently a Magistrate Judge in Cobb County since 1990. Judge Chesbro has heard and decided hundreds of civil cases (jurisdiction up to \$15,000). He has been an adjunct professor at Kennesaw State University, since 1992 (Government, Mock Trial, Legal Research, and Negotiation). Institute for Continuing Judicial Education for Magistrate Recertification Faculty – Contracts, Trial, Evidence, etc. He has been an attorney at law since 1987, admitted in Georgia, Colorado, and District of Columbia. Judge Chesbro has been mediating since 1992, beginning in Cobb Superior Court. He has also served as a certified Case Evaluator since 1993.**Professional Experience:**

1990 - Present: Magistrate Court, Cobb County, Marietta, GA

1990 - Present: Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw, GA

1989 - Present: Private Practice Attorney, Atlanta, GA

**Education:** Georgia State University Law School, J.D., 1987; University of Texas at El Paso, B.A., Business Administration, 1984.**ADR Fees:** \$195 per hour**Name: Philip S. Coe, Esq.****Telephone: 770-719-9363****Areas of Experience:** Commercial, Construction, Contracts, Corporate, Domestic, Personal Injury, Products Liability, Domestic, Personal Injury, Products Liability, Professional Liability/Malpractice, Property.**ADR Experience:** Mr. Coe is a trial lawyer with extensive experience in divorce and domestic relations cases, business and commercial disputes, personal injury actions, probate litigation, real estate and construction disputes and a broad range of other matters. [www.philipcoelaw.com](http://www.philipcoelaw.com)**Professional Experience:**

1994 – Present: Law Offices of Philip S. Coe, Fayette, GA

1982 – 1994: Webb &amp; Daniel, Atlanta, GA

1980 – 1982: Lamon, Elrod &amp; Harkelroad, Atlanta, GA

1975 - 1980: Hansell, Post, Brandon &amp; Dorsey, Atlanta, GA

**Education:** Candler School of Theology Emory University, M.T.S. (Master's of Theological Studies), 2001; Georgia State University, M.B.A., 1986; Harvard Law School, J.D., 1975; University of Florida, B.S., 1971**ADR Fees:** \$250 per hour

**Name: Lawrence A. Cooper, Esq.****Telephone: 404-814-0000****Areas of Experience:** Contracts, Domestic, Personal Injury, Products Liability, Prof. Liability/Malpractice**ADR Experience:** Mr. Cooper has been a lawyer in Georgia since 1975, and has handled a wide variety of civil and domestic cases. He has a J.D. from St. Mary's University School of Law and an L.L.M. from Emory University School of Law.**Professional Experience:**

2001 - Present: Cohen, Cooper, Estep &amp; Mudder, Partner, Atlanta, GA

1989 - 2001: Sole practitioner, Atlanta, GA

1979 - 1988: Cohen, Mackin, Pollock, Cooper (Cohen &amp; Cooper) Partner, Atlanta, GA

1977 - 1978: Cohen, Mackin &amp; Pollock, Private Practice, Atlanta, GA

1976-1977: Judge Holt, Fulton Superior Court, Law Clerk

1975 - 1975: Joel Merren, Associate, Atlanta, GA

**Education:** Emory University School of Law, L.L.M., 1980; St. Mary's University School of Law, J.D., 1974; Tulane University, 1970**ADR Fees:** \$200 per hour**Name: Sheila F. Cranman, Esq.****Telephone: 404-668-2578; Email: sbfesq@yahoo.com****Areas of Experience:** Family mediation (divorce, custody, visitation), juvenile mediation (delinquency, deprivation, parent-child, and truancy), workplace disputes, and general civil mediation.**ADR Experience:** Since 1992, she has mediated hundreds of civil, domestic and juvenile cases. She is an Advanced Practitioner Member of the Association for Conflict Resolution. Georgia Deprivation Mediation Pilot Steering Committee Member. Board Member, Atlanta, Bar Association Alternative Dispute Resolution Lawyers' (ADRL) Section. Licensed Attorney in Georgia (1994).**Professional Experience:**

2000 - 2001: Visiting Assistant Professor of Law and Director of Juvenile Delinquency and Families in Need of Services Mediation Program at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock School of Law. Board Member Arkansas Conflict Resolution Association

1997 - 1999: Mediation Program Coordinator Clayton County Juvenile Court

**Education:** Franklin Pierce Law Center, J.D., 1994; Indiana University, B.A., 1988**ADR Fees:** \$200 per hour**Name: David S. DeLugas, Esq.****Telephone: 770-485-0170; Email: david@outsidetheboxdisputeresolution.com****Areas of Experience:** Mediation and Arbitration of divorce and modification (custody, parenting plan, support, division of property, contempt, legitimation) and all other family law issues.**ADR Experience:** Founder, Outside The Box Dispute Resolution Center and Sit Talk Win-Win. Registered as a domestic mediator, civil mediator, domestic violence mediator, and arbitrator with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution. Serving as a Guardian Ad Litem in family law cases. A member of the State Bar of Georgia, ADR Section and Family Law Section; the Georgia Mediators Association; Association for Conflict Resolution - Georgia Chapter (inactive member Illinois and Missouri bars). More information at <http://www.outsidetheboxdisputeresolution.com>.**Professional Experience:**

2000 to present: Sit Talk Win-Win, LLC d/b/a Outside The Box Dispute Resolution Center

1988 to present: David S. DeLugas, P.C., Marietta, Georgia

1986 to 1988: Kilpatrick Stockton (f/k/a Kilpatrick &amp; Cody), Atlanta, Georgia

1984 to 1986: Gray, Gilliland &amp; Gold, Atlanta, Georgia

1981 to 1984: Coburn, Croft &amp; Putzell, St. Louis, MO

1976 to 1978: Xerox Corporation, Greensboro, North Carolina - sales

**Education:** University of North Carolina, J.D., 1981; Duke University, B.A., Management, 1976.**ADR Fees:** \$200 per hour with a 2 hour minimum. \$200 cancellation fee if less than 24 hours notice, \$50 late fee per side which does not pay at the conclusion of the mediation. Evening and weekend mediation sessions available.**Name: Ronald E. Dobelstein, Esq.****Telephone: 770-408-7020****Areas of Experience:** Commercial, Contracts, Domestic**ADR Experience:** Mr. Dobelstein has been a mediator/arbitrator for more than twenty years and has been involved in numerous proceedings both domestic and civil. In addition to certified civil and divorce mediations, he has mediated/arbitrated as a panelist with the American Arbitration Association. He currently has an active law practice in most civil areas including divorce, commercial and construction.**Professional Experience:**

1998 - Present: Ronald E. Dobelstein, P.C., Alpharetta, GA

1987 - 1998: Ronald E. Dobelstein, P.A., Miami, FL

**Education:** University of Miami, J.D., 1976; George Washington University, M.S.A., 1972; Hofstra University, B.A., 1969.**ADR Fees:** \$250 per hour**Name: Lori B. Duff, Esq.****Telephone: 770-466-6149****Areas of Experience:** Account, Commercial, Construction, Contracts, Corporate, Domestic, Personal Injury, Property**ADR Experience:** Ms. Duff passed the Georgia Bar in 1994 and soon thereafter began a 10-year career as a Juvenile Court Prosecutor in DeKalb County. In 2005, she went into private practice in Loganville, Georgia. Ms. Duff's private practice is primarily litigation, with an emphasis on domestic relations and probate matters. She has served as Judge Pro Tempore in the DeKalb Juvenile Court and is currently the Associate Judge for the City of Loganville Municipal Court. Ms. Duff has been a registered neutral with the state of Georgia since 2009.**Professional Experience:**

2008 - Present: Jones &amp; Duff, LLC, Loganville, GA

2005 - 2008: Lori B. Duff, P.C., Loganville, GA

1995 - 2005: DeKalb County District Attorney, Decatur, GA

**Education:** Emory University School of Law, J.D., 1994; Duke University, B.A., 1991.**ADR Fees:** \$150 per hour

**Name: Sheryl Fambrough, Esq.**

**Telephone: 770-207-8650**

**Areas of Experience:** Collection, Commercial, Construction, Contracts, Corporate, Domestic, Insurance, Landlord-tenant, Personal Injury, Probate, Products Liability, Property, Real Estate

**ADR Experience:** Ms. Fambrough completed her mediation training in September of 1999. She has been actively involved in the mediation process in her practice as well as her involvement in mediation training in the Alternative High School through Dekalb County Bar Association.

**Professional Experience:** Ms. Fambrough has been engaged in the general practice of law for over 20 years. She currently has an active trial practice, as well as representing small corporations and individuals in general business issues.

1996 - Present: Law Offices of Sheryl Fambrough, P.C. , Lawrenceville, GA

1990 - 1996: Law Offices of Sheryl Fambrough, P.C. , Atlanta, GA

1984 - 1990: Fambrough and Shapiro, P.C., Tucker, GA

1982 - 1984: John Clark , attorney, Atlanta, GA

1980 - 1982: Ronnie Batchelor, attorney, Decatur, GA

1978 - 1980: Robert L. Herman, attorney, Atlanta, GA

**Education:** Atlanta Law School, L.L.M., 1980; Atlanta Law School, J.D., 1978; University of Georgia, A.B., 1975

**ADR Fees:** \$125 an hour and up depending on case

**Name: Richard W. Feeley, Esq.**

**Telephone: 678-478-4849**

**Areas of Experience:** Commercial, Construction, Contracts, Corporate, Domestic, Insurance, Personal Injury, Products Liability, Prof. Liability/Malpractice, Property, Premises Liability, Consumer, Real Estate

**ADR Experience:** Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution Registered Civil and Domestic Mediator and Arbitrator. Senior corporate attorney with extensive experience managing in-house commercial litigation and regulatory teams and a nationwide network of outside legal resources. Direct experience managing company regulatory and agency relations and developing, negotiating and implementing compliant and business effective contracts, processes and policies. Seasoned commercial litigation attorney with first chair and in-house experience resolving complex commercial disputes through litigation and alternative dispute resolution processes. Experienced and effective trainer and facilitator. Dedicated to the premise that effective business legal representation is an integrated part of business operations.

**Professional Experience:**

Current: Feeley Mediation & Business Law, LLC, Atlanta, GA

1999 – 2010: Home Depot U.S.A., Inc., Senior Counsel, Atlanta, GA

1991 – 1999: Lamar Archer and Cofrin, Atlanta, GA

1990 – 1991: Griffin Cochrane and Marshall, Atlanta, GA

1989 – 1990: Smith and Fleming, Atlanta, GA

1975 – 1989: Fuller Restaurant Group, Atlanta, GA

**Education:** Georgia State University College of Law, JD, 1991; Georgia State University, M.A., English, 1987; Georgia State University, B.A., 1983

**ADR Fees:** \$100 per party per hour, 2 hour minimum, cancellation fee: 2 hours for proceedings cancelled with 48 hours of scheduled date. Weekdays standard; will discuss evening/weekend proceedings.

**Name: Marjorie Fishman, Esq.**

**Telephone: 706-757-8878**

**Areas of Experience:** Domestic, Personal Injury, Contracts, Probate

**ADR Experience:** Ms. Fishman is a certified mediator in general civil and domestic matters, including domestic violence. Ms. Fishman is self employed with a mediation practice specializing in divorce and family mediation, and has been mediating full time since 1996.

**Professional Experience:**

1991 - 1996: Paralegal Instructor, Athens Area Technical Institute, Athens, GA

1986 - 1991: Associate, Nelson & Hill, P.A.

**Education:** University of Georgia Law School, J.D., 1988; University of Florida, B.A., 1981

**ADR Fees:** \$200 per hour

**Name: Julie Ernst-Fortin, Esq.**

**Telephone: 770-613-9524; Email: efortin@bellsouth.net**

**Areas of Experience:** Divorce, Custody, Child Support, Visitation, Domestic Violence, Probate, Estate Planning, Contracts, Real Estate, Personal Injury, Juvenile, Deprivations, Landlord-tenant, Collections, and Employment

**ADR Experience:** Ms. Ernst-Fortin has litigated hundreds of divorce and custody cases. Her current practice focuses on uncontested divorce, mediation, GAL, QDRO's and wills/trusts/probate. Her experience includes over 2,000 mediations in the courts and online, and 200 hours of advanced training. She coaches with Resolve-to-Solve, judges competitions and consults on negotiation. She mediates between couples who want to settle before filing an uncontested divorce and helps those who already agree to obtain an uncontested divorce economically. Court referrals accepted in Gwinnett, Fulton, DeKalb, Clayton, Cobb, Sixth, Seventh, Ninth and Tenth Districts. Member of Georgia's Family Law Section. Licensed in Georgia, Virginia, U.S. District Court. Ms. Ernst-Fortin has training for 2007 Child Support Guidelines. www.agreetodivorce.com

**Professional Experience:**

1999 - present: Divorce/Family Law & Mediation Services

1995 - 1999: Georgia Legal Services Program, Supervising and Staff Attorney

1995 - 1995: Northern Circuit Assistant Public Defender

1994 - 1995: Sole Practice

1993 - 1994: Tobin and Hoffspeigel

**Education:** Georgia State University, JD, June 1994; Miami University, BA, December 1989

**ADR Fees:** \$200 per hour, accepts credit and debit cards.

**Name: Gayle C. Friedman, Esq.**

**Telephone: 404-256-5200**

**Areas of Experience:** Commercial, Construction, Contracts, Corporate, Criminal, Domestic, Insurance, Personal Injury, Probate

**ADR Experience:** Ms. Friedman has ten years total ADR experience. Ms. Friedman has seven years of mediation experience in over 150 cases of all types. She has extensive domestic mediation experience. Ms. Friedman has eight years of arbitration experience in over 200 cases of all types. She has experience in both binding and non-binding arbitration. Her experience includes arbitration as a panel member and as a sole arbitrator. Ms. Friedman has also done some case evaluations for personal injury cases, but she has declined other opportunities for case evaluations due to scheduling conflicts. In the past, Ms. Friedman has held a Virginia Real Estate License and a License for Life and Health Insurance in Georgia in addition to her law license.

**Professional Experience:**

1997 - present: Referee for Fulton County Superior Court in Arbitration of Ad Valorem Property Tax Appeal (Real Estate).

1982 - present: Private Practice, Atlanta, Georgia.

**Education:** Atlanta Law School, JD, 1981; Western College for Women (part of Miami of Ohio), BA, 1967

**ADR Fees:** \$250 per hour

**Name: Amber Mees Gallman, M. Ed., Esq.****Telephone: 404-370-8194**

**Areas of Experience:** Account, Contracts, Domestic, Property

**ADR Experience:** In addition to her private practice as an attorney and mediator, Amber Gallman is Assistant Director of the Fulton County Landlord-Tenant Mediation Program, possesses an extensive background in education, and is actively involved with court-connected mediation, as a coach, trainer, and facilitator. She has served as Volunteer Coordinator for the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual ADR Institute and the 2004 Neutral's Conference, and as contract staff for the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution's Mediation Study Group examining ethics in mediation. Ms. Gallman has mediated over 400 cases in the areas of general civil, juvenile, and domestic mediation.

**Professional Experience:**

2004 - Present: Self employed, Gallman Law Offices, LLC, Snellville

2004 - Present: Fulton County ADR Program, Magistrate/State Court

2002 - 2004: G. Roger Land, Attorney at Law, Atlanta, GA

1994 - 2000: Fulton County Board of Education, Atlanta, GA

**Education:** Georgia State University College of Law, J.D., 2003; Mercer University, M.Ed., 1997; Carleton College, B.A., 1990

**ADR Fees:** \$200 per hour

**Name: Linda W. Gettle, Esq.****Telephone: 770-795-8000**

**Areas of Experience:** General Civil, Domestic

**ADR Experiences:** Ms. Gettle is a certified mediator in general civil and domestic matters. She has practiced law in Atlanta since 1989 specializing in the area of domestic relations.

**Professional Experience:**

1989 - Present: Private Practice, Attorney.

1976 - 1991: Eastern Airlines, Miami, FL

**Education:** Woodrow Wilson College of Law, J.D. 1987; University Tennessee at Chattanooga, B.S., 1976

**ADR Fees:** \$200 per hour, 2 hour cancellation fee

**Name: Steven J. Gold, Esq.****Telephone: 770-270-8290**

**Areas of Experience:** Commercial, Contracts, Corporate, Insurance, Personal Injury, Products Liability, Property.

**ADR Experience:** Beginning in 1998, average 2 to 3 cases per week as an ADR neutral (mediator, case evaluator, and arbitrator) in court-annexed programs in DeKalb, Cobb, Gwinnett, Fulton, 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial District and 9<sup>th</sup> Judicial District, NASD, in private session and through Henning Mediation and Arbitration Service. NASD Arbitration Panelist and Chairperson. Mr. Gold has training for 2007 Child Support Guidelines.

**Professional Experience:**

Practicing attorney in Georgia since 1984. Legal career began as in-house attorney for Rich's Department Stores handling general corporate, contracts, general liability, EEO, and workers compensation from defense perspective for 4 years. Then went into private practice doing plaintiff's person injury and general civil.

**Education:** Emory Law School, JD, 1983. Antioch College, Yellow Springs OH, 1973.

**ADR Fees:** \$150.00 per hour, 2 hour minimum; cancellation fees: two hours if less than 24 hour notice.

**Name: Nancy Levy Grossman, Esq.****Telephone: 404-357-8888; Email: FLMatters@bellsouth.net**

**Areas of Experience:** Construction, Contracts, Domestic, Employment Law, Insurance, Personal Injury

**ADR Experience:** Staff Attorney to Fulton County Superior Court Judge Philip F. Etheridge since 1980, Fulton County Superior Court Family Court Mediator, Fulton County ADR Program Mediator/Arbitrator, Cobb County Mediator, 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Mediator, Adjunct Professor at Emory Law School, RWA Course, 5 years

**Professional Experience:**

1980 - Present: Judge Philip F. Etheridge, Staff Attorney

**Education:** Emory University School of Law, JD, 1980; University of Rochester, BA, 1977

**ADR Fees:** \$250 per hour

**Name: Daniel E. Gulden, Esq.****Telephone: 404-847-9529**

**Areas of Experience:** Banking/Finance, Commercial, Contracts, Corporate, Employment Law, Insurance, Labor/Management, Personal Injury, Property and Probate

**ADR Experience:**

**Mediation:** 4½ years and several hundred cases of mediation experience involving the following: divorce, personal injury, business, commercial/contract, securities, probate, real estate, accounting, multi-party, employment.

**Arbitration:** 6 years and 150-200 cases of arbitration experience involving the following: personal injury, business/contract, securities, accounting, fraud, lemon law.

**Case Evaluation:** 3 years and 20-30 cases of case evaluation experience involving business/contract and personal injury.

Mr. Gulden is now in private practice with an emphasis on alternative dispute resolution and has mediated and arbitrated a wide variety of cases. He is a mediator and arbitrator for DEKALB and Fulton County courts and the American Arbitration Assn. (AAA); a mediator for the Justice Center of Atlanta, Cobb County, the 9th Judicial Admin. District and the Western Judicial Circuit; and a securities arbitrator for the New York Stock Exchange and the National Assn. of Securities Dealers. He is a mentor in the DEKALB multi-door courthouse program. He has also participated in mediator and arbitrator training for various organizations, including ICLE, AAA, NASD and Lorman, and is a member of the Society for Professionals in Dispute Resolution, the Academy of Family Mediators, the Family Mediation Assn. of Georgia, and the Georgia (ADR, Fiduciary, Family & Gen. Practice & Trial Law sections), Atlanta (ADR, Family and Tax Law sections), and American (Dispute Resolution and Gen. Practice sections) Bar Assns.

**Professional Experience:** Mr. Gulden served as an attorney with the Office of Chief Counsel for the IRS and as chief administrative officer and in-house counsel for a steel manufacturer.

**Education:** Georgetown University Law Center, LL.M., Tax, 1973; Emory University Law School, J.D., 1969; Dartmouth College, A.B., 1966

**ADR Fees:** \$280.00 per hour capped at \$1,800.00 per day

**Name: Floyd C. Hale, Esq.****Telephone: 678-402-6238**

**Areas of Experience:** Business, Commercial, Person-injury, Contract, Divorce, Construction, Wrongful-death, Product-liability, Employment, Environmental, Securities, Stockholder, Partnership

**ADR Experience:** Since 1987 Floyd Hale has limited his practice to serving as a mediator, an arbitrator, and trainer of mediators. He has mediated approximately 2,000 cases. He has mediated cases in New York, Washington D.C., Illinois, Arkansas, Ohio, Oklahoma, Florida, Mississippi, South Carolina, Tennessee, Alabama, and throughout Georgia. He has mediated hundreds of settlements, including one involving 86 named plaintiffs in an environmental case and another involving six corporate defendants and their insurers and numerous cross claims in a personal-injury case. He is skilled and experienced in mediating cases involving strong emotions and large numbers of participants.

Mr. Hale also has broad experience as an arbitrator in a variety of cases, including one involving \$28 million. Before limiting his practice to serving as a neutral, he spent more than 20 years as a litigation attorney (16 years), as an inside corporate attorney, and as an adjunct professor of law.

**Professional Experience:**

1987 - present: Mediator, Trainer of Mediators & Arbitrator (as an independent contractor)

1987: Georgia Division of Public Health, consultant.

1973 - 1986: U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, trial attorney and supervisory trial attorney

1972 - 1973: The Emory University School of Law, legal aid clinic director.

1969 - 1970: The Emory University School of Law, adjunct professor of law.

1969 - 1972: Atlanta Legal Aid Society, Inc., attorney and managing attorney.

1964 - 1969: Lockheed Aircraft Corp., management trainee and attorney.

**Education:** University of Chicago Law School, J.D., 1964; Emory University, A.B., Economics, 1961

**ADR Fees:** \$150 per hour

**Name: Jennifer C. Pinson-Harvey, Esq.**

**Telephone: 770-935-0026**

**Areas of Experience:** Divorce, Custody and Family Law, Contract, Corporate, Debtor / Creditor / Collections, Government

**ADR Experience:** Have settled or facilitated communications between parties in approximately 600 private and court ordered mediations from 1995-2004.

**Professional Experience:** Solo law practice since 1995 specializing in mediation, uncontested divorce, wills and incorporations. Formerly employed in government relations with the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games. Served as a Congressional staffer, a municipal law attorney and an associate in a general law practice. Ms. Pinson-Harvey has training for 2007 Child Support Guidelines.

**Education:** George Washington University, J.D., 1988; Emory University, M.A., 1982; University of Georgia, A.B.J., 1980

**ADR Fees:** \$195 per hour

**Name: Claire Suzanne Holland, Esq.**

**Telephone: 888-705-5553**

**Areas of Experience:** Corporate, Employment Law, Healthcare, Insurance, Labor/Management, Personal Injury

**ADR Experience:** Ms. Holland has served as a mediator, registered with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution since 1994, as a certified mediator in Florida since 1997, and in Alabama since 1999. Ms. Holland mediates employment cases for the EEOC; the US District Court, Middle District of Georgia; and the State of Florida and the Key Bridge Foundation, in the area of disability. In addition to practitioner experience, Ms. Holland is a speaker for dispute resolution topics internationally and in the US for Lorman Education Services, the State of Florida, and other entities. See [www.clairehollandadr.com](http://www.clairehollandadr.com) for more information.

**Professional Experience:**

1982 - Present: Private practice; AL, FL, GA (Mediation/Arbitration)

**Education:** John Marshall Law School, J.D., 1981; University of Alabama, B.A. 1975 Over 200 hours in advanced dispute resolution training since certification.

**ADR Fees:** \$150.00 per hour, with a \$100.00 cancellation fee if less than 48 hours notice given

**Name: James E. Holmes, Esq.**

**Telephone: 404-634-7897**

**Areas of Experience:** Account, Commercial, Contract, Corporate, Domestic, Employment Law, Personal Injury, Products Liability, Prof. Liability/ Malpractice, Property.

**ADR Experience:** Practiced in Domestic Relations arena for 22 years. Served as Guardian Ad Litem for over 10 years and have been mediating and arbitrating divorce and modification cases since 1994.

**Professional Experience:**

1995 - present: James E. Holmes; Attorney at Law, Atlanta, Ga

1992 - 1995: Cauthorn & Phillips; Of Counsel, Marietta, Ga

1990 - 1992: Merritt & Tenney; Of Counsel, Atlanta, Ga

1989 - 1990: James E. Holmes; Attorney, Atlanta, Ga

1987 - 1989: Ruff & Holmes; Attorneys at Law, Marietta, Ga

1986 - 1987: James E. Holmes; Attorney at Law, Atlanta, Ga

1983 - 1986: Somers & Altenbach; Sr. Associate- Litigation Section, Atlanta, Ga

1978 - 1983: Hurt, Richardson, Garner, Todd & Cadenhead.; Associate-Litigation, Atlanta, Ga

**Education:** University of Virginia, J.D., 1978; University of Virginia, M.B.A., 1975; Emory University, B.A., 1967

**ADR Fees:** \$250 per hour

**Name: Paige Norwood Jennings, Esq.**

**Telephone: 404-350-9092**

**Areas of Expertise:** Commercial, Contracts, General Civil, Personal Injury, Family Law

**ADR Experience:** Received general and domestic mediation training in 1994 and has mediated cases including domestic, contracts, landlord / tenant, business disputes, and probate in the metro Atlanta counties over the last ten years.

**Professional Experience:**

1992 - Present: Private Practice, Atlanta, GA. Practicing in the areas of family law, estate planning, mediation, and collaborative law.

**Education:** University of Georgia, 1991, J.D.; Agnes Scott College, 1988, B.A.

**ADR Fees:** \$150 per hour

**Name: Dr. Arline S. Kerman, Esq.**

**Telephone: 912-576-2604; Email: askmediation@aol.com**

**Areas of Experience:** Will mediate only custody, divorce with custody, or change of custody

**ADR Experience:** Dr. Kerman has been mediating since 1994 in the areas of divorce and custody. She is a member of the Academy of Family Mediators and Family Mediation Association of Georgia. She is also a registered arbitrator, case evaluator/domestic relations, guardian ad litem.

**Professional Experience:** Dr. Kerman has been engaged in the practice of law for 25 years. She has been primarily a custody lawyer who has devoted over half of her practice to custody litigation and/or divorce with contested custody issues. In addition to her J.D., she has a Master of Arts in Psychology and a Ph.D. in Psychology. In addition she has completed the four classes in Marriage and Family Therapy which were offered through the University of Georgia. Most of Dr. Kerman's master's program was devoted to the exceptional child which has enabled her to work with children in law practice and to be more effective in her mediation practice. She is a member of Georgia Psychological Association, American Psychological Association and Georgia Bar Association. She is able to practice in all of the Georgia courts including the U.S. District Court, U.S. Court of Appeals, and the Supreme Court of the U.S. [www.georgiachildcustody.com](http://www.georgiachildcustody.com)

**Education:** U.S.I.U. (San Diego), Ph.D., Psychology, 1975; U.S.I.U., M.A., Psychology, 1973; University of Baltimore, J.D., 1961; University of Baltimore, A.A., 1958  
**ADR Fees:** \$150 per hour. Nights and weekends via tele-conferencing. Spanish interpreter available upon request.

**Name: Henry W. Kimmel, Esq.**

**Telephone: 404-634-8334**

**Areas of Experience:** Real Estate, Domestic, Domestic Violence, Contracts, Art and Entertainment Law, Nonprofit Management, Intellectual Property, Small Business

**ADR Experience:** Mr. Kimmel has helped settle more than 600 disputes through his private practice and as a mediator for the DeKalb County Courts, Fulton County Magistrate Court, 7<sup>th</sup> Judicial Administrative District, 9<sup>th</sup> Judicial Administrative District and Gwinnett Courts. Mr. Kimmel is currently affiliated with Woodstock Mediation and has facilitated discussions with neighborhood groups and developers involving in-fill and zoning issues. Mr. Kimmel has received training in domestic violence and juvenile mediation.

**Professional Experience:** Mr. Kimmel is a licensed attorney in Georgia and Tennessee, and currently serves as the Managing Partner of Turtle Bay House, LLC, a real estate concern that manages and owns residential and commercial property. He has also served as the Executive Director of Georgia Lawyers for the Arts and as an associate for Arnold M. Weiss & Associates. Mr. Kimmel is also a nationally-recognized playwright and currently serves as the president of Working Title Playwrights Inc., a Georgia-based theatre company dedicated to the development of playwrights and new plays. He is a certified teaching professional with the United States Professional Tennis Association (USPTA) and runs a large grass-roots development program through the DeKalb Tennis Center.

**Education:** Emory University School of Law, J.D., 1999; Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism, M.S. Journalism, 1987; Brown University, B.A., 1982.

**ADR Fees:** \$180 per hour. Case rate and daily rate are also available.

**Name: Michael J. King, Esq.**

**Telephone: 770-662-0600**

**Area of Experience:** Domestic

**ADR Experience:** Mr. King's experience covers 35 years in representing men and women in domestic issues of all types and his business education enables him to resolve complex issues that many other attorneys would not understand. He puts aside the advocacy and assist the parties in finding a solution to their issues that is mutually beneficial and honorable with due regard for the family as a whole.

**Professional Experience:**

1978 - Present: Michael J. King, Private Practice, Norcross, GA

1976 - 1978: Freeman & Hawkins, Atlanta, GA

1973 - 1976: Gerstein Carter & Chestnut, Doraville, GA

**Education:** University of Pittsburgh School of Law, J.D., 1973; University of Pittsburgh, M.B.A., 1968; University of Notre Dame, B.A., 1967

**ADR Fees:** \$200 per hour

**Name: Michelle M. Knight, Esq.**

**Telephone: 678-333-1451**

**Areas of Experience:** Domestic Relations, Business Disputes, Construction, Contracts, Landlord/Tenant, Personal Injury, Auto Collisions and Debtor/Creditor

**ADR Experience:** Ms. Knight is registered with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution to mediate general civil and domestic cases. She mediates in counties throughout Georgia. Ms. Knight has training for the 2007 Child Support Guidelines. As Judge Ms. Knight hears family violence calendar providing experience in resolving custody, child support, visitation, and property division issues. [www.knightmediation.com](http://www.knightmediation.com)

**Professional Experience:**

2004 - Present: Part-time Gwinnett County Magistrate, Designated to sit as Superior Court Judge.

1997 - 2001: Global Consulting Services, Duluth, GA, In house counsel

1996 - 1997: TDI, Atlanta, GA, In house counsel

1991 - 1994: Private Practice

**Education:** Western New England College School of Law, J.D., 1990; Auburn University, B.S., 1987.

**ADR Fees:** \$200 per hour

**Name: Jeanney M. Kutner, Esq.**

**Telephone: 404-705-4640**

**ADR Experience:** Ms. Kutner has mediated actively for the past two years in several metro counties. She has mediated over 50 cases during this time in the areas of domestic, personal injury, and business disputes.

**Professional Experience:** After receiving her Master's Degree in Special Education (Learning Disabilities), Ms. Kutner ran a pre-school for 7 years. After obtaining a J.D., she served as law assistant to the late Chief Justice Charles L. Weltner until his death in 1992. Since January of 1993, she has been in private practice consisting mainly of family law, general civil litigation, collections, nonprofit corporations, and appellate work.

**Education:** Emory University, J.D., 1985; Georgia State University, M.Ed., 1975; Bryn Mawr College, B.A. Political Science, 1968

**ADR Fees:** \$250 per hour

**Name: Robert N. Leitch, Esq.**

**Telephone: 404-370-0890; Email: LeitchADR@aol.com**

**Areas of Experience:** Business/Commercial, Class Actions, Collections, Construction, Divorce, Employment, Home Warranty, Life Insurance, Medical Malpractice, Non-compete/Non-solicitation Clauses, Partnership Dissolution, Olympic and Pan-American athletic competition, Personal Injury (soft tissue to wrongful death), Premises Liability, Probate, Products Liability, Real Estate, Securities, Sexual Harassment, and Zoning

**ADR Experience:** Limiting his practice to being a neutral since 1990, Mr. Leitch has conducted mediation, arbitration, and case evaluation of over 1000 cases. He is registered in general mediation, domestic relations mediation, arbitration and early neutral evaluation/case evaluation with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution. He is on the approved lists of neutrals for the American Arbitration Association, Inc. (Commercial, Sports and Mediation Panels), Henning Mediation & Arbitration Service, Inc. and several Georgia court annexed programs including Clayton, Cobb, Cherokee, DeKalb, Forsyth, Fulton, Gwinnett and Hall counties.

**Professional Experience:** A member of the Georgia Bar since 1974; legal experience as Associate Judge of Cobb County Juvenile Court, as assistant public defender in DeKalb County and in a general private practice. Member of the State Bar of Georgia (ADR section), Atlanta Bar (ADR Section), DeKalb Bar, Atlanta Lawyers Club, the American Arbitration Association and various other organizations of neutrals. Part time Judge in DeKalb Magistrate Court, DeKalb State Court; and Decatur Municipal Court.

**Education:** Emory University School of Law, J.D., 1974; Fairfield University, B.A. 1969; London School of Economics and Political Science, Independent Study 1966-67

**ADR Fees:** \$300.00 per hour, \$500.00 late cancellation fee

**Name: David A. Lipton, Esq.**

**Telephone: 404-221-1010**

**Areas of Experience:** Account, Contracts, Domestic, Personal Injury, Prof. Liability/Malpractice

**ADR Experience:** Mr. Lipton graduated from Syracuse University College of Law, Magna Cum Laude. He has 17 years experience in personal injury settlements and trials. Mr. Lipton has participated in dozens of ADR cases as a representative for litigant. He has also been in sole practice since 1993, admitted in Georgia, New York and Florida. Mr. Lipton has never had a bar complaint.

**Professional Experience:**

**1993 – Present:** David A. Lipton, Esq., Chamblee, GA

**Education:** Syracuse University College of Law, J.D., 1989; State University of New York Oneonta, B.S., 1986

**ADR Fees:** \$150 per hour

**Name: Ellen Malow, Esq.**

**Telephone: 404-556-0757**

**Areas of Experience:** Commercial, Domestic, Employment Law, Personal Injury, Products Liability, Premises Liability, Products Liability, Toxic Tort, Pharmaceutical, Asbestos and insurance matters

**ADR Experience:** Ms. Malow has served as a trial attorney for over ten years. She has had over 20 trials. Her work has involved representing both individuals and corporations.

**Professional Experience:**

2002 - 2003: Alston and Bird, Atlanta, GA

1996 - 2002: Kasowitz, Benson, Houston, TX

1995 - 1996: Hagood and Malow, Alvin, TX

1990 - 1995: Fulbright and Jaworski, Houston, TX

**Education:** University of Texas at Austin, J.D., 1990; University of Texas at Austin, B.A., 1987

**ADR Fees:** \$350 per hour

**Name: Karla A. Manners, Esq.**

**Telephone: 678-613-7006**

**Areas of Experience:** Contracts, Domestic

**ADR Experience:** Ms. Manners has been a practicing attorney for approximately six years. Her primary area of practice is Family law. She has handled divorce, child custody, child support, guardianship and parental rights termination cases. She has also settled personal injury cases. Her work as a mediator also began six years ago. She has mediated disputes involving divorce, landlord/tenant and parenting conflicts. Her earlier cases were in corporate environments.

**Professional Experience:**

2003 - Present: KAM Law Offices, P.C., Suwanee, GA

Jan 2002 - June 2002: Elizabeth Board of Education, Elizabeth, N.J.

1998 - 2001: KAM Law Offices, Decatur, GA

**Education:** New York Law School, JD, 1995; Rutgers College, BA, 1987

**ADR Fees:** \$125.00 per hour, evening hours available by appointment

**Name: Nikki L. Marr, Esq.**

**Telephone: 678-442-9474**

**Areas of Experience:** Contracts, Domestic

**ADR Experience:** Registered Neutral with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution. Sole practitioner, specializing in adoptions and divorce/family law. Ms. Marr is often appointed as Guardian ad Litem in superior and juvenile court cases. Member in good standing of the State Bar of Georgia. Former DeKalb County Juvenile Court Judge (1995-2002). Practicing Family Law attorney and mediator. Former English Teacher and Guidance Counselor.

**Professional Experience:**

2003 - Present: Private Practice, Duluth, GA

2002 - 2003: Children and Family Networks Lead Consultant, Lawrenceville, GA

1995 - 2002: DeKalb County Juvenile Court/Associate Juvenile Judge, Decatur, GA

1992 - 1995: Private Practice, Decatur, GA

1990 - 1992: DeKalb County Superior Court, Law Clerk, Decatur, GA

**Education:** Georgia State University, J.D., 1990; University of Missouri, MS Ed., 1976; Truman State University, B.S., 1971

**ADR Fees:** \$200 per hour

**Name: Jan McKinney, Esq.**

**Telephone: 770-448-7545**

**Areas of Experience:** Construction, Contracts, Corporate, Insurance, Labor/Management, Personal Injury, Products Liability, Prof. Liability/Malpractice, Property

**ADR Experience:** Ms. McKinney has been mediating since January of 1999 and assists as an instructor for mediation training courses. As a Magistrate Judge since September of 1997, Ms. McKinney has made unilateral decisions in hundreds of cases in Magistrate Court, State Court, and Superior Court. She has evaluated many cases as a Magistrate and as an attorney. She has over twenty years experience as an attorney handling litigation in areas of criminal law, personal injury and general civil litigation, including construction cases, with an emphasis on domestic relations litigation. Ms. McKinney was also a part owner in an import repair garage for over fifteen years, as well as a semi-professional race car driver, which gives her an understanding of owning a small business. She also has an interest in architecture, home remodeling and building which gives her expertise in construction techniques and terminology.

**Professional Experience:**

1979 - Present: Jan McKinney, P.C.

1997 - Present: Gwinnett Magistrate Court

**Education:** Columbia Southern, LLB, 1979

**ADR Fees:** \$200 per hour

**Name: Joseph M. McLaughlin, Esq.**

**Telephone: 770-962-5560**

**Areas of Experience:** Divorce, Custody and Family Law

**ADR Experience:** He has completed training in accordance with the requirement of the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution and is a Certified Mediator with the State of Georgia in general and domestic mediation. He has been in the private practice of law for over 25 years, primarily in domestic matters.

**Professional Experience:**

1993- Present: Joseph M. McLaughlin

1983 – 1993: Clark & McLaughlin

1981 – 1983: Joseph M. McLaughlin

**Education:** Woodrow Wilson College of Law, J.D., 1981; University of Georgia, B.F.A., 1974

**ADR Fees:** \$200.00 per hour

**Name: Scott A. Mitchell, Esq.**

**Telephone: 678-475-5770**

**Areas of Experience:** Contracts, Domestic, Personal Injury, Juvenile

**ADR Experience:** Mr. Mitchell is an attorney with an extensive background in public interest involving at-risk youth, and who has worked with organizations from the South Carolina Department of Social Services to the United States Peace Corps. An attorney for five years, Mr. Mitchell has worked in the areas of parental rights, family law, and other general practice areas including corporations and personal injury. He is a state of Georgia registered mediator and arbitrator. He also assisted the solicitor's office in the South Carolina Eleventh Judicial Circuit as a juvenile arbitrator.

**Professional Experience:**

2008 - Present: Resolution Matters, LLC, Duluth, GA

2006 - Present: Law Office of Kathryn Schrader, Duluth, GA

2004 - 2006: United States Peace Corps, Amman, Jordan

2001 - 2004: South Carolina Dept of Social Service, Columbia, SC

**Education:** University of South Carolina School of Law, J.D., 2003; Furman University, B.A., 1997

**ADR Fees:** \$200 per hour

**Name: Roger W. Moister, Jr., Esq.**

**Telephone: 404-266-3500**

**Areas of Experience:** General Civil, Commercial, Contracts, Corporate, Real Estate, Trust and Estates, Professional Liability/Malpractice & Personal Injury

**ADR Experience:** Mr. Moister has been mediating since 1999 and handled numerous landlord tenant cases in the Magistrate Court of Fulton County and a variety of civil and domestic cases through the Cobb County and Gwinnett County ADR programs as well as privately. As an attorney, he previously participated in a complex estate mediation which took several months.

**Professional Experience:**

1974 - Present: Self-employed, Practicing Attorney, Atlanta, GA

**Education:** Vanderbilt Law School, J.D., 1971; Vanderbilt University, B.A., May 1967

**ADR Fees:** \$220.00 per hour with a cancellation fee of \$450.00

**Name: Janet Caroline Moja, Esq.**

**Telephone: 770-354-2548; Email: janet.moja@gwinnettcounty.com**

**Areas of Experience:** Family law, including divorce; child custody; visitation; child support ( Ms. Moja has received extensive training regarding the new 2007 Child Support Guidelines); adoption; legitimation; parental rights; post-divorce modification.

**ADR Experience:** Ms. Moja is registered with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution to arbitrate and mediate all civil cases including commercial litigation; personal injury; automobile collisions; employment law; premises liability; and collection cases. Ms. Moja has been an attorney since 1989 and has successfully mediated over 1,500 cases.

**Professional Experience:**

1996 - Present: Part-time Gwinnett County Magistrate Judge, Designated to sit in Superior Court; State Court; Probate Court and Juvenile Court.

1994 - 1996: Attorney: Alembick, Fine & Callner, Atlanta, GA.

1991 - 1994: Gwinnett County, Lawrenceville, GA.

**Education:** University of South Carolina, J.D., May 1989; Clemson University, BA, May 1986.

**ADR Fees:** \$200.00 per hour available after hours, weekends and holidays. Willing to travel throughout metro Atlanta area.

**Name: Joe B. Neighbors, III, Esq.**

**Telephone: 706-543-3387**

**Areas of Experience:** Contract, Eminent Domain, Real Property, Zoning/Land Use

**ADR Experience:** Registered in February of 1997 as a mediator through the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution.

**Professional Experience:**

1996-Present: J. B. Neighbors & Associates, Inc.; small company performing mediation services and property acquisition for public and private utilities, cities, and counties.

1968-1996: Georgia Power Company; Served in the Land Dept. Also the Governmental and Regulatory Affairs Department. While in the Land Dept., Mr. Neighbors was engaged in all phases of purchasing property including title research, negotiation, and acquisition by condemnation. Areas of the law in which he worked in are listed above. While in the Governmental and Regulatory Affairs he provided facilitation services to community based groups such as chambers of commerce, development authorities, leadership groups, city councils, county commissions, and school boards. He has been a member of the International Right of Way Association since 1969 and has developed and taught courses on ethics and standards of practice for the right of way professional.

**Education:** Woodrow Wilson College of Law, J.D., 1974; University of Georgia, B.B.A., 1965

**ADR Fees:** \$100 per hour

**Name: Amalia Bernadette Olmos, Esq.**

**Telephone: 678-683-8500**

**Areas of Experience:** Family law and personal injury

**ADR Experience:** Ms. Olmos has been a mediator since 2005. In 2006 she was admitted to the State Bar of Georgia and has maintained a private practice in the areas of family law and personal injury litigation. Ms. Olmos has extensive experience in issues pertinent to child custody, child support, parenting time, and division of assets. Ms. Olmos is fluent in Spanish.

**Professional Experience:**

2006 - Present: A.B. Olmos & Assoc., P.C.

**Education:** John Marshall Law School; J.D., 2000; St. Edward's University, B.A. 1993

**ADR Fees:** \$200 per hour, Monday thru Friday, Saturdays in office

**Name: Pilar J. Penn, Esq.**

**Telephone: 404-512-4197 or 912-508-5795**

**Areas of Experience:** Contracts, Domestic, Employment Law, Government, Health Care, Property, Zoning/Land Use, Probate, Environmental

**ADR Experience:** Since 1994 Ms. Penn has practiced law in the state of Georgia. She first worked with Atlanta Legal Aid providing services to persons with HIV/AIDS. She worked with several lawyers in a boutique law office in a family law practice, including debt relief and estate planning. Ms. Penn became a guardian ad litem in DeKalb County. In 2002, while finishing an internship in Virginia, she began training to become a mediator. She finished training in Atlanta. Since 2003 she has mediated 3 civil cases privately, and mediated a workplace dispute for nation non-profit organization.

**Professional Experience:**

2002 - Present: PeaceWorks, Ink.

2003 - 2004: City of Atlanta

2000 - 2002: S.E.L.C.

**Education:** Vanderbilt University, J.D., 1993; Emory University, M.P.H., 1989; Tuskegee University, B.S., 1983

**ADR Fees:** \$100 per hour

**Name: Raytheon M. Rawls, Esq.****Telephone: 706-542-1108****Areas of Experience:** Contracts, Corporate, Employment Law, Government, Health Care, Labor/Management, Personal Injury, Property, Zoning/Land use**ADR Experience:** Ms. Rawls has twelve years experience mediating over 1000 cases. She is the founder and President of The Settlement Institute, Inc. She is an arbitrator and mediator trained and certified by the Justice Center of Atlanta, CDR and Associates of Boulder Colorado, the Divorce Mediation Institute, and the Atlanta Divorce Mediators, Inc. Ms. Rawls is a member of the Society of Professionals in Dispute Resolution. She has been accepted to serve on the Panel of Arbitrators of the American Arbitration Association. She is also registered as a neutral on the Administrative Conference of the United States' roster of Dispute Resolution Specialists -- a list of individuals qualified to mediate or arbitrate disputes arising in federal agencies. Ms. Rawls is a national trainer of mediators and has developed a 40-hour general/civil mediation course that has been approved by the Georgia Office Dispute Resolution, the State Bar of Georgia, many other state bars and state alternative dispute resolution programs throughout the United States. She has also trained mediators and attorneys for the 2007 Child Support Guidelines.**Professional Experience:**

1991 - Present: The Settlement Institute, Atlanta, GA.

1988 - 1990: Georgia State University - College of Law, Atlanta, GA.

1987 - 1988: State of GA - Department of Corrections.

**Education:** Georgia State University (GSU), Juris Doctor, 1985; GSU, Master of Science, 1981; GSU, B.S., 1974.**ADR Fees:** \$150 per hour**Name: Julie A. Hauge Rice, Esq.****Telephone: 678-571-0133****Areas of Experience:** Banking/Finance, Commercial, Construction, Contracts, Corporate, Domestic, Employment Law, Insurance, Labor/Management, Personal Injury, Products Liability, Prof. Liability/Malpractice, property, Zoning/Land Use, Landlord/Tenant**ADR Experience:** Ms. Rice is an attorney with the State of Georgia with over fifteen years of legal experience. She has mediated cases extensively in her private practice. Recently, she began mediating court appointed cases and specializing in conflict resolution. Ms. Rice has legal experience in many types of cases including Domestic (divorce, custody, visitation, child support, contempt and modification); collections; contracts; personal injury, and landlord/tenant. She is also an adjunct professor for two accredited universities in the Atlanta, Georgia area.**Professional Experience:**

1994 - Present: Julie A. Hauge Rice, P.C., Atlanta, GA

2008 - Present: DeVry/Keller School of Management, Professor, Atlanta, GA

2007 - Present: Apollo Group, Inc., Professor, Atlanta, GA

1998 - 2004: Century Business Services, Inc., Atlanta, GA

**Education:** University of Minnesota, B.A., 1990; William Mitchell College of Law, J.D., 1993**ADR Fees:** \$150 per hour, with 2 hour (\$300) non-refundable reservation deposit, split equally by the parties**Name: Kimberly K. Saunders, Esq.****Telephone: 770-534-7111****Areas of Experience:** Divorce, Custody, Adoption and Family Law**ADR Experience:** An attorney registered with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution to mediate in domestic and non-domestic cases. She currently practices in Georgia in the areas of divorce, child custody, legitimation, and adoption. She has extensive training in the child support guidelines and parenting plans. In addition, she has a master of social work degree, and is trained and educated in family, group, and individual counseling.**Professional Experience:**

2006 - Present: Private Practice, Gainesville, GA

2004 - 2005: DeKalb County Child Advocacy Center, Decatur, GA

2004 - 2004: Georgia Child Advocate Office, Macon, GA

1990 - 2004: International Automotive Corp.

**Education:** University of Georgia School of Law, J.D., 2006; University of Georgia, MSW., 2005; University of Georgia, B.S., Northern Kentucky University, A.A.S., 1985**ADR Fees:** \$150 per hour**Name: Kathryn M. Schrader, Esq.****Telephone: 678-475-5770****Areas of Experience:** Contracts, Domestic, Insurance, Personal Injury, Juvenile**ADR Experience:** For over twenty years, Kathryn M. Schrader has practiced law in Atlanta representing clients in government, business and the private sector. As a seasoned litigator, she actively encourages clients to resolve their matters through established and proven resolution techniques. As a founding partner of Resolution Matters, LLC, Kathy is certified as a mediator and arbitrator by the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution. In addition to establishing a successful law firm and mediation practice, Kathy is a past president of the Gwinnett Bar, and also serves as a Municipal Court Judge for the City of Duluth and the City of Sugar Hill.**Professional Experience:**

2008 - Present: Resolution Matters, LLC, Duluth, GA

2005 - Present: City of Duluth Municipal Court, Duluth, GA

1992 - Present: Law Office of Kathryn Schrader, Duluth, GA

**Education:** Walter F. George School of Law, Mercer University, J.D., 1987; University of Georgia, B.A., 1984**ADR Fees:** \$150 per hour per party**Name: Randie Siegel, Esq.****Telephone: 404-264-9001****Areas of Experience:** General Civil, All Domestic/Family Law matters**ADR Experience:** Ms. Siegel has been mediating since 1993 in court annexed programs as well as privately. She is registered neutral with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution, a member of Cobb Mediation Association and a Board Member of the Family Mediation Association of Georgia.**Professional Experience:** Ms. Siegel has been engaged in the general practice of law since 1983, with a substantial portion of the practice involving all aspects of family law except adoption. Prior to going to law school, she was involved in the jewelry industry. Ms. Siegel is a member of the Alternative Dispute Resolution Section and Family Law Section of the Atlanta Bar as well as equivalent membership in the State Bar of Georgia, and the DeKalb Bar Association.**Education:** Woodrow Wilson College of Law, J.D., 1982; Georgia State University, B.A., 1976**ADR Fees:** \$200.00 per hour

**Name: Donna Crosby Sloan, Esq.****Telephone: 770-642-0815****Areas of Experience:** Commercial, Construction, Contracts, Corporate, Domestic, Employment Law, Personal Injury, Property, Residential Real Estate, Guardian Ad Litem**ADR Experience:** Ms. Sloan has diverse background in business, real estate, and special education. She has experience with handicapped rights, autism, and all areas of special needs. She is also a trained Guardian Ad Litem dealing with high conflict custody cases and deprivation issues. Ms. Sloan raised four children plus stepchild. She is licensed real estate broker. Also, has extensive trial experience in Gwinnett County and familiarity with Gwinnett County. Speaks fluent Spanish.**Professional Experience:**

1996 – Present: Blackburn, Walther, Sloan &amp; Adair, LLC.

1993 – 1996: McCalla, Raymer, Padrick

1987 – 1993: Private Practice

**Education:** Georgia State University, J.D., 1987; Georgia State University, M. Ed. Special Education, 1973; Stetson University, B.A., 1969.**ADR Fees:** \$175 - \$200 per hour**Name: Theodore A. Speaker, Esq.****Telephone: 404-531-9868****Areas of Experience:** Account, Banking/Finance, Commercial, Construction, Contracts, Corporate, Domestic, Employment Law, Government, Insurance, Labor/Management, Personal Injury, Products Liability, Prof. Liability/Malpractice, Property, Zoning/Land Use, Real Estate, Juvenile**ADR Experience:** Mr. Speaker has been engaged in the practice of law since 1978 in all areas of business, criminal, tort and family law with litigation in all areas. He conducts arbitration hearings for American Arbitration Society, Georgia Court systems and conducts hearings and trials in accordance with administrative law, rules of evidence, state and federal regulations and makes formal written and oral decisions based on fact or presents issues to the court system, either Judge or jury for decision. He maintains a current understanding and knowledge of applicable state and federal laws, regulations and cases. He has been in the Georgia Courts hundreds of times on diverse matters. He has conducted trials in the Federal Courts and bankruptcy courts.**Professional Experience:**

1982 – Present: Speaker Law Firm, PC.

**Education:** John Marshall Law School, J.D., 1978; Southwestern University, Law, 1972; University of Southern California, M.B.A., 1969; University of Omaha, B.A., 1965**ADR Fees:** \$150 per hour**Name: Dorothy Spinelli, Esq.****Telephone: 770-843-4080****Areas of Experience:** Domestic, Personal Injury, Premise Liability and Insurance**ADR Experience:** Ms. Spinelli has been involved in alternative dispute resolution for over 14 years in cases involving torts, insurance, personal injury and domestic (divorce, custody, visitation, etc.). Ms. Spinelli is registered with Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution as a civil and domestic mediator.**Professional Experience:**

2010 – Present: Private Practice, Cumming, GA

2008 – 2010: Gray King, Atlanta, GA

2004 - 2008: Gray Hedrick &amp; Edenfield, Atlanta, GA

1997 - 2003: Law offices of Dorothy Spinelli, New Jersey

1990 - 1996: Callan, Regenstreich, New Jersey

1988 - 1989: Honorable Felix A. Martino, New Jersey

**Education:** American University, J.D., 1988, Montclair State, B.A., 1979.**ADR Fees:** \$90 per hour. Weekdays, weekends and evenings.**Name: Scott K. Spooner, Esq.****Telephone: 678-714-1131****Areas of Experience:** Contracts, Domestic, Insurance, Personal Injury**ADR Experience:** Mr. Spooner is registered as a mediator for general civil and domestic cases with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution. He was trained on the 2007 Child Support Guidelines. He was the domestic law lead counsel in hundreds of domestic cases and has participated in numerous domestic mediations and trials on all issues. On personal injury cases he was attorney for large insurers, both in-house and outside counsel. As plaintiff and defendant lead counsel, he has tried and/or mediated at least 50 personal injury cases. Mr. Spooner has additional litigation experience in the areas of HOA's, collections, contracts and other general civil matters.**Professional Experience:**

2002 - Present: Spooner &amp; Assoc, P.C., Suwanee, GA

2002: Thompson &amp; Slagle, LLC, Atlanta, GA

1999 - 2002: McClure Ramsay Dickerson &amp; Escoe, Toccoa, GA

1998 - 1999: Mabry, McClelland &amp; Brooks, Atlanta, GA

1996 - 1998: Sharon Ware &amp; Assoc., Atlanta, GA

**Education:** Georgia State University, J.D., 1997; Oglethorpe University, B.A., 1988**ADR Fees:** \$175 per hour for mediations in the office of Spooner & Assoc, \$200 per hour for all other locations.**Name: Thomas Larry Still, Esq.****Telephone: 770-682-1023****Areas of Experience:** Account, Banking/Finance, Commercial, Construction, Contracts, Domestic, Employment Law, Government, Insurance, Products Liability, Professional Liability/Malpractice, Property**ADR Experience:** Approved by the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution as a Registered Civil Mediator, Divorce Mediator and Arbitrator. In concurrence with active practice of law, practices as a mediator of divorce and family law, and as mediator and/or arbitrator of civil and equitable disputes. Educated and trained in accounting (BA) and financial planning (certification). Member of Divorce and Family Law Section. General Practice Section and Litigation Section of American Bar Association, Georgia Bar Association, Gwinnett County Bar Association. Mr. Still has training for 2007 Child Support Guidelines.**Professional Experience:**

1986 - Current: Self-Employed Attorney at Law, Lawrenceville, GA

1985 - 1985: American Express, Atlanta, GA

1983 - 1985: Gwinnett County, Lawrenceville, GA

1981 - 1983: Self-Employed Attorney at Law, Lawrenceville, GA

1972 - 1980: Gwinnett County, Lawrenceville, GA

**Education:** Atlanta Law School, J.D. 1976, and L.L.M., 1977; Georgia State University, 1970**ADR Fees:** \$175.00 per hour

**Name: Erin S. Stone, Esq.****Telephone: 404-688-6805****Areas of Experience:** Domestic**ADR Experience:** Erin Stone is a partner at the law firm of Schulten Ward and Turner, LLP located in downtown Atlanta. Erin is an experienced family law attorney and has handled cases in all areas of family law including divorce, child custody, child support, alimony, division of property and debt, contempt and family violence proceedings. In addition to her private practice, Erin acts as a court appointed guardian ad litem and also is a registered mediator with the State of Georgia.**Professional Experience:**

1996 – Present: Schulten Ward &amp; Turner, Atlanta, GA

1994 – 1996: Fulton County Superior Court, Atlanta, GA

**Education:** University of Georgia, J.D., 1994; University of Texas, B.S., 1991.**ADR Fees:** \$250 per hour**Name: Michael Tabachnick, Esq.****Telephone: 404-405-4145****Areas of Experience:** Contracts, Employment Law, Government, Health Care, Labor/Management, Personal Injury, Products Liability, Prof. Liability/Malpractice, Property, Zoning/Land Use, Landlord/Tenant**ADR Experience:** Mr. Tabachnick's career has revolved around his commitment to issues of social and economic justice, in particular the interactions between individuals and societal institutions. He brings an extensive portfolio of diverse experience from a multiplicity of environments. Michael believes empowering individuals throughout the process is as important as agreement on the substantive issues. In the early 1980's, Michael participated in the founding of a community based mediation program in Stamford, Connecticut. More recently, Michael has been involved with persons with impairments and children in the juvenile justice system. Mr. Tabachnick's experience as a mediator includes landlord/tenant law and juvenile justice.**Professional Experience:**

2002 - Present: Self employed

1995 - 2001: DeKalb Citizen Advocacy, Inc., Decatur, GA

1993 - 1994: Persons with Disabilities Law Center, Atlanta, GA

1992 - 1993: Clark, Washington &amp; Jones, Atlanta, GA

**Education:** City University of New York Law School, JD, 1987; Sarah Lawrence College, BA, 1974**ADR Fees:** \$100 - \$150 per hour depending on the case**Name: Daniel C. Thomas, Esq.****Telephone: 770-787-1952; Email: danielcthomas@mindspring.com****Areas of Experience:** Domestic, Juvenile, Deprivation, Landlord/Tenant, Criminal, Construction, Employment, Labor/Management, Mental Health Care, and Tooling/Machine Production/CNC**ADR Experience:** Since 1999 Mr. Thomas has been a registered neutral in civil and domestic with many years of experience intervening to resolve disputes in clinical and employment situations. In 2003 Mr. Thomas received training for mediations involving domestic violence. Mr. Thomas is now also the Special Appointed Attorney General (SAAG) for the Newton County Department of Family and Childrens Services.**Professional Experience:**

1993 - Present: Self-Employed Attorney at Law

1985 - 1990: Glenwood Mental Health Services, Inc., Wilderness Division, as Program Director

1977 - 1984: Volunteer, Non-Profit Organizations abroad and in U.S.

**Education:** Florida State College of Law, J.D., 1993, Intern with FL. Comm. Of Human Relations, ADA & Emp. D. ; West Georgia, M.A. Psy., 1977; and West Georgia, B.A. Psy., 1976**ADR Fees:** Hourly rates vary from \$190 depending on the case.**Name: Valerie G. Tobin, Esq.****Telephone: 678-222-0248****Areas of Experience:** Commercial, Construction, Contracts, Corporate, Domestic, Insurance, Personal Injury, Products Liability, Prof. Liability/Malpractice, Trust and Estates**ADR Experience:** Ms. Tobin has been practicing law with the civil trial firm of Tobin and Hoffspiegel for 20 years. She has experience in the areas of person injury (auto-truck collision, premises liability, professional negligence); business and contract disputes and family law. Ms Tobin has been mediating civil and domestic disputes for over 12 years, and she directed the Landlord/Tenant Mediation Program and ADR externship in Fulton County for seven years. She is currently offering mediation services through Bay Mediation and Arbitration Services, L.L.C. in Atlanta.**Professional Experience:**

1984-Present: Tobin and Hoffspiegel

**Education:** Emory University School of Law, J.D., 1983; University of Florida, B.A., 1978**ADR Fees:** Contact the office of BAY Mediation**Name: David S. Walker, Esq.****Telephone: 770-972-3803****Areas of Experience:** Account, Commercial, Contracts, Corporate, Personal Injury, Products Liability, Professional Liability/Malpractice and Property**ADR Experience:** Mr. Walker has been registered with the state since November, 2000. Mr. Walker has training for 2007 Child Support Guidelines.**Professional Experience:**

1976-present: Attorney practicing private law with own law firm emphasizing litigation since 1976, has been lead counsel in over 100 jury trials and hundreds of trials in State and Federal Courts. Settled hundred of cases, many through mediation and arbitration and has handled many appeals in State and Federal Appellate Courts.

**Education:** University of Georgia Law School, JD, 1976, University of Georgia, AB, 1973**ADR fees:** \$200 per hour**Name: Michelle E. West, Esq.****Telephone: 770-817-8777****Areas of Experience:** Contracts, Domestic, Employment Law, Labor/Management, Personal Injury, Property, Juvenile**ADR Experience:** Ms. West is the founder and owner of M. West Legal, LLC, where she focuses her practice mainly on family law, landlord tenant, estate planning, real estate, immigration and other general civil matter. Michelle has offices in Atlanta and Gwinnett County, and has been practicing law in Georgia since 2002. Ms. West graduated from Georgetown University with a Bachelor of Science in Foreign Service where she studied International Law, Relations and Organization. She also received a certificate in Latin American studies and received a certificate in Latin American studies and received proficiency status in the Spanish language. Ms. West attended Emory University School of Law where she received her Juris Doctorate degree.

**Professional Experience:**

2006 - Present: M. West Legal, LLC, Lilburn, GA  
2005 - 2006: Law Office of Green & Associates, Atlanta, GA  
2002 - 2005: Georgia Legal Services, Gainesville, GA  
**Education:** Emory University School of Law; JD, 2002; Georgetown University, BS, 1997  
**ADR Fees:** \$200 per hour

**Name: Richard T. Winegarden, Esq.**

**Telephone: 678-576-5444**

**Areas of Experience:** Account, Banking/Finance, Commercial Construction, Contracts, Corporate, Domestic, Insurance, Personal Injury, Products Liability, Prof. Liability/Malpractice, Property, Zoning/Land Use

**ADR Experience:** Mr. Winegarden has broad range of experience including private practice to his service as judge in Gwinnett County for 25 years.

**Professional Experience:**

1987 - 2008: Superior Court Judge, Gwinnett Judicial Circuit  
2000 - 2002: Ninth District Administrative Judge  
1983 - 1987: Chief Judge, State Court of Gwinnett County  
1976 - 1983: Attorney in private practice  
1974 - 1976: Gwinnett County Assistant District Attorney  
**Education:** Wayne State University, College of Law, J.D., 1974; University of Michigan, BBA, 1971  
**ADR Fees:** \$185 per hour

**Name: Kimberli C. Withrow, Esq.**

**Telephone: 770-822-4636**

**Areas of Experience:** Commercial, Contracts, and Domestic

**ADR Experience:** Ms. Withrow is an attorney who began her legal career clerking for a judge in the Superior Court of Gwinnett County and then left to go into private practice. She has practiced law in a couple different law firms and presently has her own law practice. Ms. Withrow has focused her practice in the area of domestic relations, but she also has experience litigating in the areas of real estate, business and contract law. Ms. Withrow has completed mediation training and is registered with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution to mediate domestic and non-domestic cases.

**Professional Experience:**

2008- Present: Kimberli Cory Withrow, P.C. Lawrenceville, GA  
2008 - 2008: Callner, Portroy & Strawser, Atlanta, GA  
2007 - 2008: Alambik, Fine & Callner, Atlanta, GA  
2002 - 2007: Anderson, Tate & Carr, Lawrenceville, GA  
2000 - 2002: McGarity & Lloyd, Lawrenceville, GA  
1997 - 2000: Gwinnett County, Judge Richard Winegarden, Lawrenceville, GA  
**Education:** Emory University School of Law, J.D., 1997; Duke University, B.A., 1994  
**ADR Fees:** \$175 per hour

## NON-ATTORNEY DOMESTIC MEDIATORS GWINNETT COUNTY

**Name: Leah I. Cagle, M.S.C.M.**

**Telephone: 770-367-8214; Email: leah@georgiamediationprofessionals.com**

**Areas of Experience:** Banking/Finance, Commercial, Construction, Contracts, Corporate, Domestic, property, Zoning/Land Use

**ADR Experience:** Ms. Cagle received her first mediation training in 1987, while working for a large insurance firm. She has a Master's Degree in Conflict Resolution in addition to 185 hours of mediation/arbitration training in the states of Georgia and Texas. She has a background as a Licensed Christian Counselor specializing in individual, family and marital conflict. This is complemented by experience in the Public School Education systems in Hall and Gwinnett Counties. She is a member of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts as well as the American Association of Christian Counselors.

**Professional Experience:**

2011 - Present: Georgia Mediation Professionals, Buford, GA  
2005 - Present: Lean Cagle, CPC, LLC, Self-employed Counselor  
1990 - Present: Lean Cagle Ministries, Inc., Buford, GA  
1985 - 1987: A.L. Williams/ Milico Ins., Duluth, GA  
**Education:** Abilene Christian University, Master of Science in Conflict Management, 2010; Shorter University, B.A., 1982  
**ADR Fees:** \$200 per hour. Also available to co-mediate with William Brogdon at a combined total of \$200 per hour.

**Name: George M. Cockrell, M.B.A.**

**Telephone: 678- 508-4605**

**Areas of Experience:** Account, Banking/Finance, Automotive repair disputes, Commercial, Construction, Corporate, Manufacturing and Domestic

**ADR Experience:** Registered as a mediator with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution since 2004. Approved and acting as a mediator for the following court systems: Gwinnett Judicial Circuit, Fulton County, Clayton County Magistrate and Superior Courts, Seventh Judicial Administrative District and the Sixth Judicial Administrative Circuit. Mr. Cockrell has advanced training for cases involving domestic violence and 2007 child support guidelines.

**Professional Experience:**

2004 - Present: Cockrell& Cockrell, LLC  
2002 - 2004: IOS Capital, Macon, GA  
1997 - 2002: SBA, Disaster Assistance, Atlanta, GA  
**Education:** Baldwin Wallace College, M.B.A., 1992; ABD status in the Nova Southeastern University DBA in Management program; Dyke College, B.S., 1989  
**ADR Fees:** \$150 per hour

**Name: Kathryne Dixon****Telephone: 678-592-1816****Areas of Experience:** Contracts, Domestic, Personal Injury, Property**ADR Experience:** Ms. Dixon has a master's degree in Conflict Management, a background in psychology and years of experience in contract negotiation and mediation, Kathryne Dixon is a mediator whose education and training reflect her ability to assist parties in reaching a resolution to a variety of issues. These issues include dealing with landlord-tenant disputes, divorce, custody and support issues, personal injury claims, and other general civil conflicts. In addition, she has worked in the juvenile justice system as a CASA counter, and an intern where her primary interest was researching rehabilitative and restorative justice programs for at risk youth.**Professional Experience:**

2008 – Present: DeKalb County Dispute Resolution Center

2007 – Present: Synergy Medical Centers

2002 – 2007: Cobb Pain and Rehabilitation

**Education:** Kennesaw State University, MS Conflict Management, 2007; Kennesaw State University 2005, B.S.**ADR Fees:** \$125 per hour**Name: Georgia G. Geiger, M.A.****Telephone: 770-422-9483****Areas of Experience:** Domestic, Health Care, Insurance, Personal Injury, Products Liability, Property, Zoning/Land Use**ADR Experience:** Ms. Geiger has been mediating cases in Superior, Magistrate, Juvenile, and Probate Court since 1993. She has worked with the court system in Cobb County, 7th Judicial District and 9th Judicial District. She does private mediations, also. Mrs. Geiger is the past president of the Family Mediation Association of Georgia. She has also had specialized domestic violence training.**Professional Experience:**

1992 - Present: Reinhardt College, Waleska, GA

1992 - 1992: Brawner College, Smyrna, GA

1984 - 1991: Baker College, Flint, MI

1979 - 1984: Grand Blanc Schools, Grand Blanc, MI

1977 - 1979: South Washington County Schools, Cottage Grove, MN

**Education:** Oakland University, M.A. Counseling, 1984; University of Wisconsin, B.S., 1965**ADR Fees:** \$150 per hour**Name: Robin Lynne Gordon, M.S.W., M.A.****Telephone: 678-283-2706; Email: rktpeaceful@yahoo.com****Areas of Experience:** Domestic, Domestic Violence, Civil, Juvenile, Employment, Education, Property, Construction, Corporate, Personal Injury**ADR Experience:** Ms. Thumann has been mediating on a full-time basis since 1998 within the DeKalb, Gwinnett, Cobb and Ninth District Judicial Systems. She also has a private mediation practice in Alpharetta. 90% of her mediations result in a partial or full agreement. Ms. Thumann also provides training in several state indorsed mediator training programs in metro-Atlanta. She has presented at National Conferences about the benefits of mediation as a method of alternative dispute resolution. Ms. Thumann has training for 2007 Child Support Guidelines.**Professional Experience:**2004 Author/Illustrator of a children's book, Peaceful Thoughts, distributed by the National Book Network.

1998 - Present: Full time mediator in private practice and through Gwinnett, Cobb, DeKalb and Ninth District Judicial Districts

1998 - Present: Cobb County Dispute Resolutions.

1997 - 1998: Director for Intercommunity Cancer Centers of America

1993 - 1996: State of Georgia Department of Education, Early Childhood Education Consultant.

1987 - 1993: Teacher in Gwinnett County Schools

**Education:** University of Michigan, M.S.W. (Counseling/Administration.), 1984; University of Michigan, Grad. Certification Training and Developing, 1984; Oakland University, M.A. (Special Education), 1982; University of Michigan B.B. (Early Childhood Education) 1978**ADR Fees:** \$200 per hour, Per diem 75% of hourly rate with 8 hour commitment**Name: Wayne M. Richardson-Harp, J.D.****Telephone: 404-550-0620****Areas of Experience:** Account, Banking/Finance, Commercial, Construction, Contracts, Corporate, Domestic, Employment Law, Health Care, Labor/Management, Personal Injury, Products Liability, Professional Liability/Malpractice, Property**ADR Experience:** Mr. Richardson-Harp practiced civil law in New Orleans for 20 years. He was a trained and certified Crisis Intervention and Suicide Prevention volunteer counselor for 20 years (learned to interview and listen to people's positions and needs). He arbitrated, as a volunteer, 600 cases in New Orleans City Court during the 90's, with full case analysis and decision-making powers and the responsibility to issue written reasons for judgment. Mr. Richardson-Harp was a Paralegal in a divorce practice in Georgia for three years. He trained other crisis intervention counselors (about 400) in legal aspects of their work over a 15 years period.**Professional Experience:**

2003 - 2006: Banks, Stubbs, Neville &amp; Cunat, LLP, Cumming, GA

1981 - 2001: Law Office of W.H. Richardsson-Harp, New Orleans, LA

**Education:** Louisiana State University Law School, JD, 1981; Louisiana State University, BA, 1975**ADR Fees:** \$125 per hour, available weekdays and weeknights**Name: James W. Kisner, M.S.C.M.****Telephone: 404-433-6623****Areas of Experience:** Commercial, Construction, Contracts, Corporate, Domestic, Insurance, Labor/Management, Prof. Liability/Malpractice, Property**ADR Experience:** A former commercial lines underwriter and current claims professional, Mr. Kisner has more than 20 years of analyzing, negotiating and completing many different type of contracts between private, state and federal agencies. Extensive experience in crisis and change management involving insurance and construction related companies. A Georgia licensed claims professional who continues to oversee the completion of many types of construction projects located in and around the Atlanta area. Registered with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution in general and domestic mediation as well as an arbitrator. A Master's graduate of Kennesaw State University with emphasis in Conflict Resolution.**Professional Experience:**

2006 – Present: Resolve It All, LLL, Atlanta, GA

2003 – 2006: Allstar Financial Group, Atlanta, GA

2001 - 2003: Guardian Group, Inc., Atlanta, GA

1994 - 2001: Fireman's Fund Insurance Co., Atlanta, GA

**Education:** Kennesaw State University, MSCM, 2007; University of Illinois, B.A., 1986

**ADR Fees:** \$125 - \$250 per hour

**Name: Marti Kitchens, M.A.**

**Telephone: 770-942-9361**

**Areas of Experience:** Divorce/Family Custody Issues

**ADR Experience:** I have mediated both civil and divorce cases since 1984. My areas of expertise in mediation matters are parenting plans and cases where there is a history of family violence. My professional training and education as a marriage and family therapist compliments my knowledge and interest in these areas. I have developed, along with my partner, the Children of Divorce® Education Program, a 4 hour class for divorcing parents. In addition to mediation, I have an active and busy practice in psychotherapy with offices in Sandy Springs and Douglasville.

**Professional Experience:**

1982 - Present: Heath Care Trainer and Consultant

1987 - Present: Employee Assistance Counselor

1984 - Present: Mediator

1982 - Present: Psychotherapist - Private Practice

1981 - 1982: Dir. of Therapeutic Services Adolescent Treatment Center

1974 - 1982: Executive Director, Child Mental Health Services, Inc.

**Education:** Georgia State University, Post Graduate, Marriage and Family Therapy 1983-86; University of Alabama, M.A. Counseling Psychology, 1975; Birmingham-Southern College, B.A. Psychology, 1965

**ADR Fees:** \$150 per hour

**Name: Steven Lindenblatt, J.D.**

**Telephone: 404-520-1477**

**Areas of Experience:** Commercial, Construction, Contracts, Domestic, Employment Law, Labor Management, Personal Injury, Products Liability, Prof. Liability/Malpractice, Property, Zoning/Land Use

**ADR Experience:** Rabbi Chaim Steven Lindenblatt received his rabbinical ordination from Yeshiva University and received his J.D. from New York Law School in 1996. He has been a member of the N.Y. Bar since 1997. Steven has been the Rabbi of Congregation Anshi S'fard in Atlanta since 2001. He's worked as a Chaplain for Weinstein Hospice and currently is a Chaplain for the VA Medical Center in Atlanta. Steven received a degree in Professional counseling from Georgia State University in 2008. He joined the Georgia Bar in 2009. Steven counsels and mediates at the Care and Counseling Center of Georgia.

**Professional Experience:**

2008 - Present: Care and Counseling Center of GA, Decatur, GA

2002 - Present: VA Medical Center, Decatur, GA

2001 - Present: Congregation Anshi S'fard, Atlanta, GA

2003 - 2008: Weinstein Hospice, Atlanta, GA

2000 - 2001: Jewish Association for Services of Aged, New York, NY

1996 - 2000: B.S.B.I. Congregation, Charleston, SC

**Education:** Georgia State University, Professional Counseling 2008; Rabbi Isaac Elchanon Theological Seminary, Rabbinical Ordination, 1996; New York Law School, J.D., 1996; Yeshiva University, B.A., 1991

**ADR Fees:** \$150 per hour

**Name: Keith Massiah, J.D.**

**Telephone: 404-492-3774**

**Areas of Experience:** Account, Banking/Finance, Commercial, Contracts, Domestic, Insurance, Personal Injury, Products Liability, Professional Liability/Malpractice, Property

**ADR Experience:** Mr. Massiah is a state registered mediator working in various judicial districts in Georgia involved in domestic, contracts, personal injury and various other cases. Serve as a training coach for Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution. He has worked as vice president assistant for five years in the auditing/accounting field at Wachovia Bank of Georgia. Also, worked as a legal compliance manager for four years at General Electric Corp involved in resolving disputes between company collectors and account holders. Appointed as a board of director for Center Navigating Family Change - DeKalb/Gwinnett Counties.

**Professional Experience:**

1998 - 2002: General Electric Corp., Legal Compliance Manager, Atlanta, GA

1993 - 1998: Wachovia Bank of GA, Asst Vice President, Accounting, Atlanta, GA

1991 - 1993: First Financial Management, Accountant, Atlanta, GA

**Education:** John Marshall Law School, J.D., 1996; Brenau University, M.B.A., 1992; Rutgers University, B.S., 1989

**ADR Fees:** \$250 per hour

**Name: Susan J. Peterson, M.S.C.M.**

**Telephone: 404-272-6026**

**Areas of Experience:** Contracts, Corporate, Domestic

**ADR Experience:** Susan Peterson has her Master of Science degree in Conflict Management from Kennesaw State University. She has worked in the conflict resolution field for 9 years providing conflict management training and dispute resolution services for financial services firms, banks, construction companies and design firms. She also has experience in mediating domestic relations cases and landlord-tenant disputes. In addition, she has 5 years experience in writing contracts and performing contract negotiations in real estate and project development transactions. She obtained her Bachelor of Science degree from Kennesaw State University in Political Science.

**Professional Experience:**

2002 - Present: SJP Enterprises

2002 - Present: Premier Financial of America, Sugar Hill, GA

1995 - 2002: KDA Holdings, Inc. Marietta, GA

1991 - 1994: Charter Bank & Trust, Marietta, GA

**Education:** Kennesaw State University, Master of Science Conflict Management, 2002; Kennesaw State University, B.S., Political Science, 1999

**ADR Fees:** \$150 per hour

**Name: Dr. Susan S. Raines, Ph.D.**

**Telephone: 770-815-4428; Email: sraines@kennesaw.edu**

**Areas of Experience:** Commercial, Corporate, Domestic, Government, Property, Zoning/Land Use, Workplace

**ADR Experience:** Susan Summers Raines, Ph.D. is an Assistant Professor of Conflict Management at Kennesaw State University where she teaches courses on Conflict Theory, the ADR Continuum, International Conflict, Public Dispute Management, and Conflict Management for Professional Administrators. As a practitioner, she has mediated over 800 disputes, designed mediation programs for state agencies, and evaluated federal agency ADR programs. Additionally, Dr. Raines volunteers as a mediator with the Floyd County Magistrate Courts and is currently offering a weekly seminar designed to reduce co-parenting conflict after divorce. She received her Ph.D. in Public Policy (focusing on public dispute resolution) from Indiana University. Her M.A. comes from the University of Idaho (Political Science) and her B.A. is in Government from California State University, Sacramento.

**Professional Experience:**

2001 - Present: Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw, GA  
1998 - 2001: Indiana Conflict Resolution Institute, Bloomington, IN  
1993 - 1995: University of Idaho, Moscow, ID

**Education:**

Indiana University, Ph.D. Public Policy (Dispute Resolution), 2002; University of Idaho, M.A. Political Science, 1995; California State University, Sacramento, B.A. Government, 1992

**ADR Fees:** \$150.00 per hour

**Name: Cynthia J. Remboldt, J.D., M.B.A.**

**Telephone: 404-671-9527**

**Areas of Experience:** Divorce, Contracts, Health Care, Employment

**ADR Experience:** Cynthia "CJ" Remboldt is a full time mediator. She has more than 16 years experience mediating civil disputes including business contract disputes and employment disputes. She is also experienced in divorce mediation including child support, parenting plans, family budgets, and the equitable division of property and debts. Ms. Remboldt also has specialized training for domestic violence issues in mediation. She is registered as a civil and domestic mediator by the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution, and is a member of the Atlanta Bar Association and the Collaborative Law Institute of Georgia.

**Professional Experience:**

2006 – 2007: Wellpoint / Blue Cross Blue Shield of GA  
1998 – 2005: Solvay Pharmaceuticals  
1997 – 1998: United Healthcare  
1995 – 1996: Healthcare Consultant  
1993 – 1995: CIGNA Healthcare

**Education:** John Marshall Law School, J.D., 2009; University of Phoenix, M.B.A., 2005; Kansas State University, B.S., 1979

**ADR Fees:** \$180 per hour / evenings and weekend hours available / credit cards accepted

**Name: Christina L. Scott, J.D.**

**Telephone: 678-524-6148**

**Areas of Experience:** Account, Construction, Contracts, Domestic, Personal Injury

**ADR Experience:** Ms. Scott is an experienced conflict resolution professional with over 12 years experience in the legal, business, education, and ADR industries. She has been a GA registered neutral and adjunct business law professor since 2006. She also has over 8 years volunteer experience as a marital relations consultant. Her mediation expertise includes domestic relations, general business matters, and personal injury. As a conflict resolution professional, her diversified background allows her to bring a well rounded range of personal and professional skills to each case.

**Professional Experience:**

2006 – Present: Covenant Mediation Services, Atlanta, GA  
2006 – Present: Georgia Perimeter College, Decatur, GA  
2004 – 2006: Law Offices of Divida Gude, Atlanta, GA  
2002 – 2004: Corporate Express Office Products, Atlanta, GA  
2000 – 2002: Consultive Recruiting Solutions, Alpharetta, GA

**Education:** University of Florida College of Law, J.D., 1997, University of Florida, B.S., 1993

**ADR Fees:** \$200 per hour

**Name: Jim Serrate, J.D.**

**Telephone: 770-422-5494**

**Areas of Experience:** Domestic, Specializing in Domestic Violence issues, Personal Injury, Multicultural

**ADR Experience:** Mr. Serrate was born in Havana, Cuba. He graduated from University of Havana, Law School, in 1958. Retired from Sterling Drugs, Inc. Married to Leda Serrate, 4 children, 7 grandchildren. Full time mediator in practice since 1999 handling domestic relations/Violence and General Civil cases. Speaks fluent Spanish.

**Professional Experience:**

1999 - present: Self employed, Mediation practice

**Education:** University of Havana – Law School, J.D., 1958

**ADR Fees:** \$180 per hour

**Name: Tracy Gould Sheinin, M.A.**

**Telephone: 404-276-5422**

**Areas of Experience:** Domestic, Employment Law, Government, Health Care, Property, Eldercare

**ADR Experience:** Tracy Gould Sheinin has been a professional mediator since 1999, providing conflict resolution services to families, communities, governments and corporate clients. She has received more than 350 hours in training and conducted more than 300 mediations. Tracy has an M.A. in Peace Studies with a focus on Conflict Resolution and a B.A. in Psychology. Registered with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution, Tracy is certified in General Mediation and Domestic Mediation including Domestic Violence.

**Professional Experience:**

2005 - Present: Purple Works, LLC, Atlanta, GA  
2004 - 2007: Conflict Solutions, Columbia, SC  
1999 - 2004: Community Mediation Center, Columbia, SC

**Education:** McGregor at Antioch University, M.A. Peace Studies, 2001; University of South Carolina, B.A., 1995

**ADR Fees:** \$125 per hour

**Name: Kathleen Hueppchen Sterne, J. D.**

**Telephone: 678-778-6490**

**Areas of Experience:** Contracts, Personal Injury, Products Liability, Landlord/Tenant

**ADR Experience:** Ms. Sterne has been registered with the state since the beginning of 1996 for both general civil and domestic mediations. She is also approved to mediate cases in the following courts and their respective counties/circuits: Civil - Clayton, Cobb, Fulton, Griffin/Flint and the Western Circuit; Domestic: Clayton, Griffin/Flint, Western Circuit; Juvenile - Clayton and Cobb. Ms. Sterne is a member of the American Academy of Family Mediators.

**Professional Experience:**

Present: Full Time Mediator

1992 - 1996: Law Clerk for Fulton County Magistrate and State Court Presiding Judges, served as a warrant officer, tracked child support payments for Domestic Legal Relations, assisted in Appeals and Garnishment Departments.

1991 - 1992: Traffic Coordinator and client relations at Crawford Post Production.

1989 - 1991: Substitute Teacher in Fayette County Schools.

1988 - 1989: Teaching Assistant at the College of Criminal Justice at Northeastern University, Boston, MA. Conducted lectures, counseled parents of missing children and aided in a research study of missing, murdered and runaway children sponsored by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

1987: Charter Lake Hospital in Macon, GA - assisted the Recreational/Occupational Therapists in both the addictive disease/psychiatric units for adults and adolescents.

**Education:** Atlanta Law School, J.D., 1994; Northeastern University, M.S., 1990; Mercer University, B.A., 1988

**ADR Fees:** \$250 per hour

**Name: Wally Tanksley, M.S.C.M.**

**Telephone: 404-372-4190**

**Areas of Experience:** Civil and Domestic, Account, Banking/Finance, Commercial, Construction, Contracts, Corporate, Employment Law, Government, Health Care, Insurance, Labor/Management, Personal Injury, Products Liability, Prof. Liability/Malpractice, Property

**ADR Experience:** Mr. Tanksley is an experienced, registered, international professional engaged in arbitration and mediation of industrial, commercial, employment, labor, EEO, divorce, and other issues. More than 850 + mediations provided since November 1999. Applying more than 30 years experience in the private, public, and non-profit sectors and extensive Alternative Dispute Resolution training in 1999-2001. Registered Neutral - Supreme Court of Georgia. Arbitrator - American Arbitration Association, Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service. Mediator - United States Postal Service. Contract Mediator - U.S. EEOC.

**Professional Experience:**

1999 - Present: Full Time Mediator

1996 - 1999: Senior Vice President Human Resources, Tennessee Valley Authority

1989 - 1996: Vice President Human Resources, General Electric Environmental Services, Inc.

1985 - 1989: Corporate Manager Human Resources, Public Service Company of New Mexico

1974 - 1985: International Human Resources Manager, General Electric Technical Services Co., Inc.

1973 - 1974: Employee Relations Manager, Michelin Tire Corp.

**Education:** Kennesaw State University, Master of Science in Conflict Management, 2001; University of Georgia, Graduate Study Economics/Sociology, 1966; Clemson University, B.S., 196. Additional mediation training at Harvard University, Pepperdine University, and Northwestern University.

**ADR Fees:** \$150 per hour

**Name: Deborah Johns Tatum, M. Ed.**

**Telephone: 678-234-4607**

**Areas of Experience:** Account, Banking/Finance, Commercial, Construction, Contracts, Corporate, Domestic, Employment Law, Government, Health Care, Insurance, Labor/Management, Personal Injury, Products Liability, Prof. Liability/Malpractice, Property, Zoning/Land Use, Special Education

**ADR Experience:** Deborah Johns Tatum, has seven years experience as a trainer, certified mediator, and facilitator for federal and state agencies, courts and private organizations. Ms. Tatum is approved by the GODR to mediate special cases involving domestic violence. She specializes in providing mediation services for workplace disputes, contract & persona injuries special education & education issues, community family and domestic cases. She provides training services to Federal & State agencies and private corporations in all areas of dispute resolution - Basic & Advanced Mediation Skills, Dealing with Difficult People, Improving Communication Skill, Negotiation Strategies, Supervision, etc. In addition, she has 10 + years experience in the education and clinical fields in administration.

**Professional Experience:**

2000 - Present: Mediator & Trainer, D. Johns Consultant, Inc.

1993 - 2000: Consultant, D. Johns Consultant

1987 - 1993: Director of Education, Devereux Foundation

**Education:** Georgia State University, M. Ed., Education Administration, 1979; Tusculum College, B.S., 1972

**ADR Fees:** \$150.00 per hour, or \$1,000.00 per day

**Name: Kathryn Tecosky, M. Ed.**

**Telephone: 404-579-0750**

**Areas of Experience:** Domestic Relations.

**ADR Experience:** Ms. Tecosky completed her mediation training in July 1999 and is registered as a mediator through the GA Office of Dispute Resolution.

**Professional Experience:** Ms. Tecosky is a licensed professional counselor with an educational specialist degree from GA State University. She has worked in the field of domestic relations for over 15 years. Ms. Tecosky has written curriculum for violence prevention, sexual harassment, conflict resolution and peer mediation programs for Gwinnett County Schools. She has led seminars, workshops and retreats/ training for couples and families. Ms. Tecosky has worked with the community and local school and cluster care teams in Gwinnett for many years providing leadership and training. She is currently in private practice in the Chamblee-Dunwoody area serving the community through counseling and mediation.

1983-Present: Self employed. Psychotherapist, licensed professional counselor, Atlanta, Ga.

1988-1995: Gwinnett County Board of Education, Lawrenceville, GA.

1980-1988: Mountain Brook Board of Education, Birmingham, AL.

**Education:** Georgia State University, M. Ed.S., 1993; University of Alabama, M.A., 1987; University of Alabama, B. S. 1978

**ADR Fees:** \$125 per hour

**Name: Maria E. Ceballos-Wallis, M.A.I.S.**

**Telephone: 404-207-9807**

**Areas of Experience:** Account, Commercial, Contracts, Domestic, Special Ed and Juvenile

**ADR Experience:** Maria Ceballos-Wallis has been in multilingual communications since 1990, first in the television industry, and since 2002, as a Certified Court Interpreter (FL/GA) and translator, interpreting at all levels of court, among other venues. She has received diversity training through "Bridging the Gap" and mental health training through the Georgia Department of Health and Developmental Disabilities. She speaks fluent English and Spanish. Maria has trained in civil, divorce, domestic violence, special education and juvenile delinquency and deprivation mediation at the Justice Center of Atlanta and Atlanta Divorce Mediators. She provides bilingual (Spanish/English) mediation services for The Negotiators, a private firm, The Justices Center of Atlanta, and individual county court systems in Atlanta.

**Professional Experience:**

2010 - Present: Freelance mediation, metro Atlanta, GA

2006 - Present: Mediaspan Communications, Decatur, GA

2003 – 2006: Australian Broadcasting Corp., Sydney, Australia

1999 – 2003: All Digital Productions, Miami, FL

**Education:** Florida International University, M.A. International Studies, 1997; Hofstra University, B.A., 1990

**ADR Fees:** \$125 per hour

**Name: Alex W. Williams, D. Min.**

**Telephone: 706-546-5680**

**Areas of Experience:** Campus Minister, Counselor, Teacher

**ADR Experience:** Obtained both general and domestic mediation training in 1995. Registered as a mediator with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution since 1995. Experienced in mediating civil business cases as well as domestic relations cases. Advanced Practitioner Member of Association for Conflict Resolution. He has mediated more than 500 cases.

**Professional Experience:**

1972 - 1995: Presbyterian Campus Minister at University of GA. Worked with students, faculty, administrators with Presbyterian churches in NE GA, some of which involved a lot of problem solving and conflict resolution. Taught religion (part-time) in the Dept. Of Philosophy and Religion at UGA; President, Campus Ministry Association; In 1999, taught World Religions at Piedmont College, Athens campus.

1962 - 1972: Minister to Youth and Community, First Presbyterian Church, Atlanta, GA. Helped establish The Bridge (Metropolitan Atlanta's Mediation Center).

**Education:** McCormick Theological Seminary, Chicago, IL, 1977, D. Min.; Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, GA, 1977, M.Div.; 1969, Th.M.; 1964, B.D.; Emory University, 1961, B.A. in Philosophy

**ADR Fees:** \$100.00 per hour

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