

# DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MEDIATOR LIST

CINDIE J. GREENBAUM ALTER

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- **Areas of Experience:** Family Law/General Practice of Law.
- **ADR Experience:** Registered as a mediator in Civil and Domestic cases on March 30, 2006 and as an Arbitrator on January 27, 2007. Also registered in Domestic Violence.
- **Professional Experience:** 1978 to 1989: in the private practice of law with Ray Gary Se, in Mableton, with extensive experience in domestic relations matters and juvenile law including divorce, contempt, modification, adoption, and deprivation proceedings. The practice also included criminal law, bankruptcy, personal injury matters and social security disability as well as assisting clients with simple wills and probate matters. 2001 to 2009: Staff Attorney for the Hon. Kenneth O. Nix, in the Superior Court of Cobb County which involved participation in all aspects of domestic relations cases including research, pre-trial conferences, and judicial interviews with minor children, trials, judicially hosted mediations and drafting orders. 2009-2010: associate attorney with the law firm of Belli, Weil, Grozbeen & Davis engaged in the general practice of law, including domestic relations, criminal cases, personal injury, business litigation and appellate practice. April 2010 to July 2014: Senior associate attorney with the law firm of Baskin & Baskin, PC Specializing in family law.
- **Education:** BA Ohio State University, Summa Cum Laude 1975, JD Emory University School of Law 1978, admitted to practice in Georgia and Ohio in 1978.
- **ADR Fees:** \$200.00 per hour.
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PAMELA (PAM) ANDERSON

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- **Areas of Experience:** Divorce, custody, parenting time, contempt, modification, legitimation, same sex cases, domestic violence, business dissolution, workplace mediation, juvenile deprivation, and landlord tenant.
- **Professional Experience:** Mediated several thousand cases since 1998. Mediation trainer since 2001; Founder of Resolve to Solve, Inc. in 2001. Adjunct at Lanier Technical College, registered with Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution, Parent Coordinator and Divorce Coach since 2005. Pam is on the rosters in Cobb, Fulton, DeKalb and mediates in Gwinnett, Forsyth, Cherokee, Hall and throughout the 9th District as well.
- **Education:** BS Poli Kennesaw State, Magna cum Laude 1998. Masters in Human Resource Management, Keller School of Management, with Distinction, 2005.
- **ADR Fees:** \$275 per hour, 2 hour minimum. \$500 if cancelled within 48 hours or no show. Accepts cash, check and credit cards, Visa, Master Card and Amex \$35.00 returned check fee and 3% convenience fee for credit cards.
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- **Areas of Experience:** Domestic relations including divorce, custody, child support, domestic violence, real estate, landlord/tenant, juvenile, workplace dispute and magistrate courts.
- **ADR Experience:** General civil, domestic relations, domestic violence, delinquency, juvenile deprivation, and arbitration.
- **Professional Experience:** Mediator, realtor, landlord tenant, teen mentor, education, non-profits, programs assistant, crisis management and first responder.
- **Education:** Bachelor of Arts in Human Service Delivery and Administration, 650 hours of training between the 9<sup>th</sup> District Mediation Office and the Hall County Courthouse, in Gainesville, Georgia. Certified Adolescent Mentor with Center Point in Gainesville, Georgia. Certified Substitute Teacher for Gainesville City Schools, Hall County and Gwinnett County School Districts.
- **ADR Fees:** \$175 per hour, 2 hour minimum, with 48 hour cancellation terms. Spanish/English interpreter (if desired) \$35.00 per hour.
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- **ADR Experience:** Susan D. Brown is a practicing attorney licensed in the State of Georgia. In the past several years she focused her practice entirely on divorce, custody, family law, juvenile law and adoption. She has participated in the Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) process since 1992. Ms. Brown received training in divorce mediation from Resolution Resources Consulting and is a registered Neutral with the State of Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution in general, domestic and domestic violence cases. Civil, domestic and domestic violence mediations.
- **Professional Experience:** 1987-1989: Law Clerk, Husley, Oliver & Mahar, LLP, handling Real Estate, General Business, Liability, and Commercial disputes. 1989-1992: Law Clerk to the Hon. Richard W. Story, Hall County Superior Court. 1992-Present: Susan D. Brown & Associates, divorce, custody, family law, juvenile law, adoption, and probate.
- **Education:** Alma College, B.A. 1986. University of Georgia Law School, J.D. 1989.
- **ADR Fees:** \$275.00 per hour, payable by Cash, Check, MC, Visa, and Discover.
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- **Areas of Experience:** Domestic and General Civil Mediation; Arbitration
- **ADR Experience:** Registered with Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution in General Civil Mediation, Domestic Relations Mediation, Specialized Domestic Violence Mediation and Arbitration. On roster as Arbitrator with Financial Institutions Regulatory Authority (FINRA), Better Business Bureau (BBB), National Center for Dispute Resolution (NCDR).
- **Professional Experience:** Dennis Burnette has mediated over three hundred lawsuits in Magistrate, Probate, State and Superior Courts.

While the depth and breadth of his experience allow him to identify other issues that will lead to resolution of a dispute, his decades in banking and finance provide an unusually strong insight to financial disputes; thirty-five years as bank president.

- **Education:** Henning Mediation & Arbitration, ADR training; Graduate School of Banking of the South at LSU; University of West Georgia, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration
- **ADR Fees:** \$185 per hour, two hours minimum; cancellation fee of two hours at mediator fee rate without 24 hours/3 business days' notice to be paid by party with conflict. Will consider scheduling after hours and weekends.
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CHRIS CHAPPELL, ESQ.

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- **Areas of Experience:** Family Law (divorce, custody, child support); Contracts (breach, damages, formation); Landlord/Tenant; Construction Law; Business Law; Wills and Estates.
- **ADR Experience:** Began mediating cases part time starting in 2005 and full time since 2013. Has mediated various General/Civil Cases and Domestic cases. Mediation experience includes Magistrate, Superior, and Appeals court mediations. Excels at tailoring and adapting methods and techniques towards each unique mediation session and each party's needs.
- **Professional Experience:** Began Law practice with a focus on Family, Business, and Real Estate Law. Has been a practicing attorney 4 years.
- **Education:** J.D. Mississippi College School of law, (2011). B.S. Kennesaw State University, Political Science with minor in Alternative Dispute Resolution(2005). General Civil Training in mediation(2005 and 2013). Divorce and Family Mediation Training (2014).
- **ADR Fees:** \$175.00 per hour; \$300.00 cancellation fee if less than 24 hour notice. Mediates in Cherokee, Pickens, and Forsyth County.
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JOHN (BOB) R. COLEMAN, JR., ESQ.

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- **Areas of Experience:** Divorce, Custody, Family Law, Contracts, Personal Injury, Business Disputes, Collection and Construction.
- **ADR Experience:** John R. Coleman, Jr. (Bob) is a practicing attorney licensed in the State of Georgia. He has participated in the Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) process since 1989 and has mediated over 300 cases. Mr. Coleman received training in Divorce Mediation from Atlanta Divorce Mediators, Inc. and is a registered Neutral with the State of Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution to do General Civil Business, Domestic, and Domestic Violence.
- **Professional Experience:** 1996 – Present: Coleman & Chambers, LLC: Gainesville, Georgia. Partner with: Insurance Defense, Personal Injury, Construction disputes, Juvenile, Domestic, Contracts, Collection and Employment experience. 1996: Hunt, Coleman, Vaughan & Chambers, PA, Gainesville, GA: Partner focusing on collections construction disputes, contract disputes, juvenile, domestic, child custody and personal injury. 1994-1996: Hunt, Coleman, Vaughan &

Chambers, PA: Gainesville, GA, focusing on commercial and business litigation, personal injury, divorce, contracts disputes, construction disputes and collection matters. 1993-1994: Hunt & Coleman, PA: Gainesville, GA, Partner, civil litigation, including business disputes, personal injury, divorce and custody. 1989-1993: Smith, Gilliam & Williams, PA: Gainesville, GA, Associate commercial and business litigation, insurance defense, personal injury, worker's compensation, and contractual disputes.

- **Education:** Auburn University, B.A., 1986. Mercer University, Walter F. George School of Law and J.D., 1989.
- **ADR Fees:** \$250.00 per hour.
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ANN NOEL DETTMER, ESQ.

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- **Areas of Experience:** Family Law: divorce, child custody, child support, modification of custody and support, paternity, legitimation, adoption, elder law, hospice care and end of life issues and probate.
- **ADR Experience:** Trainer/Lecturer: Georgia Family law- Mediation training program- Atlanta Justice Center-2007- current. Speaker- Georgia Mediators Association Seminar – Mediation Hot Topics and Trends, 2014. Speaker- Georgia Mediators Association Seminar- Online and Face to Face: Future Mediation, 2012. Immediate Past President-Georgia Mediators Association. Member- Alternative Dispute Resolution Section State Bar of Georgia. Certified Mediator- Office of Dispute Resolution, 2000-current. Registered Court Rosters: Cobb County, Gwinnett County, 7<sup>th</sup> District, and 9<sup>th</sup> District. Private Mediator, 2000- Current. Private Arbitrator, 2007- Current.
- **Professional Experience:** Owner: Dettmering Mediation, 2006- Current. Founding Partner: Gentry, Smith, Dettmering, Morgan & Schnatmeier, LLP, 2006- Current. Member of Cobb Divorce team 2014-Curent. Admitted to Practice Law: State of Georgia, 1985-Current, Supreme Court State of Georgia, 1985-Current, Supreme Court of the United States, 2000- Current.
- **Education:** University of Wisconsin – Madison – Bachelor of Arts. Emory University School of Law-Juris Doctor, 1985.
- **ADR Fees:** \$250.00 per hour, 2 hour minimum. Accepts: Cash, Check, Credit cards: MasterCard, Visa.
- **Mediation Locations:** Conference room available at no additional charge: Dettmering Mediation: 278 North Marietta Parkway, Marietta, GA.
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MEREDITH DITCHEN-OAKLEY, ESQ. (MEDIATOR WITH FLINK MEDIATION)

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- **Areas of Experience:** Family Law, Estates, Guardianship and Probate, Divorce, Legitimation, Custody, Modifications, Child Support, Visitation
- **ADR Experience:** Registered Mediator since 2006, Registered in Arbitration since 2007, Domestic Violence in 2016, also trained as a Parent Coordinator in 2014 and has served as a Guardian Ad Litem in Cobb, Douglas, Cherokee, Gwinnett and Fulton Counties since 2001. On

the ADR roster in Cobb County and mediates throughout metro Atlanta. Joined Flink Mediation in 2016

- **Professional Experience:** Admitted to Georgia Bar in 1998, practiced law in metro Atlanta primarily in family law, adoptions, estates and probate, guardianships since 1998. Has practiced as a Guardian Ad Litem since 2001, Parent Coordinator since 2014 and has been mediating cases since 2006. Stephen Minister Leader in the United Methodist Church and mediates conflicts within the church. Currently serves Hall County Juvenile Court as a child attorney and Guardian Ad Litem in dependency actions and is a parent attorney for Family Treatment Court.
- **Education:** B.S in Political Science and French in 1992, with honors; J.D. Marquette University Law School 1997, cum laude
- **ADR Fees:** \$225.00 per hour, 2 hour cancellation fee to the cancelling party if cancelled in less than 48 hours and if less than 24 hours or a no show at mediation, 4 hour cancellation fee to the cancelling/no show party.
- **Payments accepted:** Cash, Attorney Check and party checks guaranteed by attorney, credit and debit cards (Discover, Master Card, American Express and Visa). \$35.00 returned check fees
- **Email:** [Meredith@andyflink.com](mailto:Meredith@andyflink.com)
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Julie Elizabeth Ernst, Esq. (Julie Ernst-Fortin-pc)

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- **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 been licensed to practice law in Georgia and Virginia since 1994 and has litigated hundreds of divorce, custody and child support actions. Her firm currently focuses on Uncontested Divorces, Mediations, GAL work, Willis and Trusts, and probate. She has been a mediator registered with the State of Georgia since 1998 and has mediated thousands of disputes throughout Georgia and online, averaging four to six cases weekly. Due to over 200 hours of advanced mediation training, she is authorized to mediate Domestic Relations, Domestic Violence, and Juvenile Deprivation cases. She trains Mediators with Resolve to Solve, Inc., judges university mediation competitions, and consults on how to negotiate effectively. She is a member of the Family Law Section of the Georgia Bar. She is certified to be selected by the parties and is approved to accept court-referred mediations in Fulton, DeKalb, Gwinnett, Clayton and Cobb counties, as well as the Sixth, Seventh, Ninth and Tenth Districts. In addition to working with parties in court systems, Ms. Ernst-Fortin works privately with couples who want to settle all issues before filing an uncontested divorce. She also helps couples who already agree on how to end their marriage obtain an uncontested divorce for an economical fee. Visit [www.agreetodivorce.com](http://www.agreetodivorce.com) for more information.
- **Professional Experience:** 1999-Present: Divorce & Family Law and Mediation Services, Julie Ernst-Fortin, PC. 1995-1999: Supervising and Staff Attorney, Georgia Legal Services Program, Inc. 1995: Assistant Public Defender, Northern Judicial Circuit. 1994: Sole Practice. 1993-1994: Tobin & Hoffspiegel.

- **Education:** Miami University, School of Arts & Sciences, B.A. 1989. Georgia State University, College of Law, J.D., 1994.
- **ADR Fees:** \$250.00 per hour, Credit/Debit cards accepted, 2 hour fee for cancellations less than 48 hours prior to session.
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W. ROY FINCH, ESQ.

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- **Areas of Experience:** Domestic Relations, Commercial, Contracts, Personal Injury, and Probate.
- **ADR Experience:** Certified mediator for General Civil and Domestic cases. Founded Finch Mediation & Arbitration Services in 2002. Mediation Trainer for Decision Management Associates, Atlanta, Georgia and Macon, Georgia. Has mediated over 2500 cases.
- **Professional Experience:** Law Practice emphasizing Family Law and Domestic Relations since 1992. Practice currently limited to mediations. Member of Family Law and ADR sections of Georgia State Bar, Member of Family Law and ADR Sections of Atlanta Bar Association and member of Western Circuit Bar Association.
- **Education:** Georgia State University, B.A., 1989. University of Georgia School of Law, J.D., 1992.
- **ADR Fees:** \$300.00 per hour, \$300.00 cancellation fee within five days of mediation.
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MARJORIE FISHMAN

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- **Areas of Experience:** General Civil Litigation (including Personal injury, contracts, probate matters, and landlord/tenant disputes) with an emphasis on Domestic matters including Divorce, Custody, Child Support and Domestic Violence.
- **ADR Experience:** Ms. Fishman is currently certified to mediate all types of civil and domestic cases including cases involving domestic violence. Although she mediates a variety of cases, the majority of her mediations are in the domestic areas. Ms. Fishman accepts both court ordered and privately scheduled mediations. She has been mediating since 1996 and average approximately 125 cases per year.
- **Professional Experience:** Associate, Nelson and Hill 1988-1991. Adjunct Faculty/Paralegal, Athens Area Technical Institute 1991-1996. Trainer/Instructor Mediation, Peer Mediation and Law Related Education, University of Georgia, Institute of Government 1996-2000. Self-employed mediator 1996-present.
- **Education:** University of Georgia School of Law, J.D., 1988. Settlement Institute Mediation Training, 1995. Atlanta Divorce Mediators Domestic Mediation Training, 1995. Domestic Violence Mediation Training, 2003. Henning Arbitration Training, 2006.
- **ADR Fees:** \$200.00 per hour, 48 hour cancellation notice or \$200.00 fee.
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- **Areas of Experience:** Domestic and Business mediations
- **ADR Experience:** Annually Andy mediates over 150 court connected and private cases, primarily in the domestic area that require in depth experience and knowledge pertaining to complex financial and custody issues. Andy is a registered neutral with the GODR and a roster member of the Fulton and DeKalb County Superior court ADR programs in addition to the 9<sup>th</sup> District ADR. He specializes in cases that involve multifaceted divorce and separation matters as well as cases that require in depth business knowledge and expertise. He is a contributing author on the subject of mediation to the State Bar of Georgia Family Law Review and The Atlanta Bar Association and has mediated with more than 350 Atlanta and surrounding area family lawyers.
- **Professional Experience:** Shareholder, owner and board chairman for Harmom Stores, \$85+ million retail conglomerate, as well as owner and founder of Players World, a regional sporting goods chain located in the Southeast. In 2008, Andy founded Flink Consulting, a full service mediation and consulting firm.
- **Education:** BBA Accounting/Banking/Finance, University of Georgia.
- **ADR Fees:** \$300.00 per hour (equally divided by the parties)
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- **Areas of Experience:** Juvenile delinquency, truancy, contracts, landlord/tenant, domestic violence, and divorce/family law matters. Specialization in family law cases, military family disputes and issues associated with PTSD.
- **ADR Experience:** Ms. Gaudet has presided over 1,000 general civil matters, family law cases, and juvenile cases as a mediator and registered neutral.
- **Professional Experience:** Paralegal for over a decade for Georgia law firms that specialize in bankruptcy, family law, and general civil litigation. Ms. Gaudet mediates multiple times each week in Magistrate/Juvenile/Superior courts in numerous Metro Atlanta counties. Ms. Gaudet is the owner of GWS Mediation, LLC, which is based in Woodstock, Georgia and services all Metro Atlanta counties.
- **Education:** Kennesaw State University, Certificate in Alternative Dispute Resolution and a B.S. in Political Science.
- **ADR Fees:** \$150.00 per hour. Two-hour minimum. 48-hour cancellation notice or 2 hour fee.
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- **Areas of Experience:** Family Law.
- **ADR Experience:** Ms. Gettle has been mediating since 1998 and has mediated over 1,500 cases.

- **Professional Experience:** Ms. Gettle is an attorney in good standing with the State Bar of Georgia. Her practice is divided between family law litigation, mediation and being a Guardian ad Litem in Superior court.
- **Education:** University of TN at Chattanooga, B.S English/Education, 1976. Woodrow Wilson College of Law, 1987.
- **ADR Fees:** \$200.00 per hour.

NANCY PAOLA GLASS

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- **Areas of Experience:** General Civil, Domestic Relations, and Juvenile Dependency and Delinquency.
- **ADR Experience:** Ms. Glass is a registered mediator with the Georgia office of Dispute Resolution since January 2014. She focuses her career in the Spanish Community in this country. Her past assignments have resulted in an opportunity to grow and function in many roles and responsibilities. The US opened the doors for The Alternative Dispute Resolution filed. She was training in domestic relations, domestic violence, and juvenile dependency and delinquency cases. Her bilingual skills allow her to work in Spanish, when allowed, and translate into English. Ms. Glass serves as a neutral at the Superior Cobb County Court and the 9<sup>th</sup> Judicial District in Gainesville, and Clayton Judicial Circuit ADR.
- **Professional Experience:** Ms. Glass is a bilingual professional with local and international corporate experience functioning in a multicultural environment. Such positions have incorporated experience in standardizing corporate efficiency assessment/training using the “continuous improvement model”. She has worked for the Department of Justice in Atlanta, subcontracted by private companies that offer translation services. She has been the office manager for a family business developing many clerical and accounting duties, plus legal contracts. She worked for the Federal Judiciary of Tucuman for five years, contracted by the Honorable National Supreme Court to serve a judiciary Governor, Senator Representatives while coordinated training lectures addressed to those assigned for presiding elections and voting activities.
- **Education:** Graduated as Doctor in Law and Solicitor from the National University of Tucuman, holding a degree in Translation.
- **ADR Fees:** \$200.00 per hour.
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STEVEN J. GOLD, ESQ.

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- **Areas of Experience:** General, domestic, and domestic violence mediations, arbitration and Early Neutral Evaluation.
- **ADR Experience:** Beginning in 1998, Mr. Gold averaged two to three 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, 9<sup>th</sup> Judicial District, NASD, in private sessions, thought Henning Mediation and Arbitration Services and Miles Mediation. NASD Arbitration Panelist and Chairperson. Beginning in 2003, Mr. Gold averages three to five cases per week.



- **Professional Experience:** Practicing attorney in Georgia since 1984. Legal career began as an in-house attorney for Rich's Department Stores handling General Corporate, Contracts, General Liability and Works Compensation from defense perspective for four years. He then went into private practice doing Plaintiff's personal injury and general civil.
- **Education:** Antioch College, BA 1973. Emory University School of Law, JD, 1983.
- **ADR Fees:** \$180.00 per hour, 2 hour minimum.
- **Cancellation Fees:** One hour if no travel to site, 2 hours if no-show at site.
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WHITNEY WINBURN GOODSTONE

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- **Areas of Experience:** Domestic/Domestic Violence mediation including child support calculations, parenting plans, custody, spousal support, and modifications of existing agreements; General Civil Mediation in matters of personal injury, business, contracts, employment, insurance, real property, and construction litigation; Juvenile Delinquency; Dependency Mediation
- **ADR Experience:** In addition to having studies and practiced law with a large corporate firm in Sydney, Australia, Whitney Goodstone is a registered and experienced Neutral with the State of Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution and has extensive and diverse training that enables her to help parties resolve disputes in a variety of areas. Since 2012, Whitney has mediated over 500 matters throughout North Georgia.
- **Professional Experience:** Mediator, arbitrator and partner, Advance ADR LLC, a mediation and arbitration firm located in Athens, GA; Mediation Coach, University of Georgia School of Law; Mediation Coach, JW Fanning Institute for Leadership Development; Vice President, Wirko, LLC, importer/exporter; Vice President, Manorism Inc., direct importer, wholesaler and retailer; Lawyer, Coors Chambers Westgarth (Sydney, Australia), a world class corporate law firm with offices in Sydney, Melbourne, Perth and Brisbane; Manager and Consultant, DeRevere Travel, Inc.
- **Education:** University of Georgia, Bachelor of Business Administration, Majors: international business and finance. University of New South Wales Faculty of Law, Sydney, Australia, Bachelor of Laws. Mediation Certification, University of Georgia Law School, the Fanning Institute. Divorce Mediation Certification, Henning Mediation & Arbitration Service, Inc. Advanced domestic violence mediation certification, GODR with the Justice Center of Atlanta. Juvenile Delinquency mediation certification, GODR with the Justice Center of Atlanta. Juvenile Deprivation/Dependency mediation certification, GODR with the Justice Center of Atlanta. Arbitration Certification, Henning Mediation & Arbitration Service, Inc.
- **ADR Fees:** \$185.00 per hour 48-Hour Cancellation Notice required or \$200 Fee applied. (will negotiate travel rates for locations outside northeast Georgia)
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SUSAN M. HAMBY

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- **Areas of Experience:** Domestic, General Civil and Juvenile.

- **ADR Experience:** Certified Mediator for General Civil and Domestic cases. Has mediated hundreds of cases.
- **Professional Experience:** Department of Family and Children Services, High School Teacher, Executive Account Manager for National Brands in the food industry. Seven year of service with inmates in the Hall County Detention Center.
- **Education:** North Georgia College and State University, B.A. in English Education.
- **ADR Fees:** \$175.00 per hour.
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BETH STONE HAND, LMSW

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- **Professional Experience:** Ms. Hand is a licensed Master Social Worker in good standing with the State of Georgia. She has mediated over 250 General and Domestic cases since March of 2006. She is a member of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, and in addition to the training requirements for the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution, Ms. Hand has completed over 40 hours of extensive training in Parenting Coordination: Helping High Conflict Parents Resolve Disputes and Advanced Issues in Child Custody: Abuse, Alienation and other Challenges. Ms. Hand co-facilitates the Divorcing Parents Seminar for the 9<sup>th</sup> JAD ODR and periodically teaches Developmentally Appropriate Parenting Plans to attorneys and others in the ADR field. Prior to focusing her practice to ADR, she was a school social worker and worked extensively with at-risk children, children with disabilities and their families.
- **Education:** Bachelors of Arts, New York University, 1993. Master of Social Work, University of Georgia, 2004.
- **ADR Fees:** \$175 per hour, 2 hour minimum. 48-hour cancellation notice required for \$300.
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MELISSA HEARD

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- **Areas of Experience:** Domestic Relations, Domestic Violence, Deprivation, Juvenile, General Civil, Probate, Labor Management, Civic Organizations, Medical Malpractice, Products Liability, School Educational, Religious Disputes, and Child Custody.
- **ADR Experience:** Ms. Heard has been mediating professionally since 1992 and training Mediators since 1999. She is registered with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution. Ms. Heard has worked with the elderly, adults and children for over 13 years in Social Services through training counseling, and supervisory management. Ms. Heard mediates over 275 cases per year in her areas of experience and consults with other cases for evaluations. She believes mediation works best when the parties utilize the mediator as a as a facilitator to assist in the resolution of disputes. Ms. Heard is on the list of several counties including the Seventh and Ninth Judicial Districts, DeKalb, Fulton, and Cobb counties.
- **Professional Experience:** 2010-Present: Consultant and trainer with the Justice Center of Atlanta. 2003-Present: Seventh Judicial District Divorcing Parents Seminar, Trainer. 2000-Present: Success Consulting & Mediation, Inc., Dallas, GA. 1999-Present: Trainer with Atlanta Divorce Mediators/Mediation Training Institute, Atlanta, GA. 2000-2003: Instructor, Children of Divorce classes, Paulding & Polk County. 2000-2001: Paulding Collaborative for Children &

Families, Dallas, GA. 1998-2000: Initiative for Affordable Housing, DeKalb/Decatur, GA. 1995-1998: Murphy Harpst Children's Centers, Cedartown, GA.

- **Education:** Brenau Women's University, B.A., Broadcasting/Marketing, 1992. University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Masters of Science in Social Work Treatment, 1994.
- **ADR Fees:** \$200.00 per hour, 2 hour minimum. \$300.00 late cancellation fee. \$300.00 no show fee.
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KATHRYN N. HEDDEN, ESQ.

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- **Areas of Experience:** Domestic, Domestic Violence, Civil, Landlord/Tenant, Real Estate, Contracts, Labor Management, Probate and Juvenile (including school law).
- **ADR Experience:** For over twenty-four years, Ms. Hedden has worked as a mediator and has been certified in three states, NJ, GA and SC. Ms. Hedden has mediated for the Magistrate and Superior Courts of Cobb, Fulton and Forsyth counties. Since 1993 Ms. Hedden has been doing private mediations in the areas of Divorce and Custody. She is a registered Neutral for the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution. Her practice has been primarily in the area of Domestic law and has specialized training in the area of Domestic Violence.
- **Professional Experience:** Ms. Hedden is a solo practitioner in Forsyth County with primary emphasis on mediation and collaborative law for civil and domestic cases. She has over twenty-four years of experience and is a licensed attorney in good standing in Georgia and New Jersey.
- **Education:** Virginia Commonwealth University, B.S., 1974. Rutgers School of Law, Newark, J.D., 1984.
- **ADR Fees:** \$250.00 per hour, 2 hour minimum.
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LUCY KIMBROUGH HENRY, ESQ.

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- **Areas of Experience:** General Civil and Domestic Relations: Divorce, Custody, Child Support, Adoption, Alimony and Family Violence.
- **ADR Experience:** Ms. Henry has been a licensed, practicing attorney in the State of Georgia since 1990. She has participated in the Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) process since 1994. She is a registered Neutral with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution in the categories of General Civil Mediation, Domestic Relations Mediation (including family violence), and Delinquency Mediation.
- **Professional Experience:** 1990- Present: Member of the State Bar of Georgia, in good standing. 1990-1991: Private Practice in the Law Firm of Page, Scrantom, Harris & Chapman in Columbus, GA. 1992-1994: Law clerk, Superior Court, Chattahoochee Judicial Circuit, Columbus, GA. 1994-1998: Assistant District Attorney, Northeastern Judicial Circuit, Gainesville, GA. 1998-Present: Private Practice, Carey, Jarrard & Walker, LLP and its successor firm, Whelchel, Dunlap, Jarrard & Walker, LLP. She became a partner in 2003. Her emphasis is in the area of Domestic Relations Law.
- **Education:** College of William & Mary, Williamsburg, VA, BA with honors, 1987. University of Georgia, JD, 1990.

- **ADR Fee:** \$250.00 per hour.
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KAMAU HULL, ESQ.

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- **Areas of Experience:** Personal Injury, Criminal Defense, Juvenile, Wills & Trusts, Education and Special Education Law, and Business Law.
- **ADR Experience:** Civil, Domestic, Domestic Violence, Juvenile, and Georgia Office of Dispute Approved Mediation Trainer.
- **Professional Experience:** During law school, Kamau became a published member of the Law Journal, and served as a Student Ambassador, Peer Mentor, and Vice President of the Sports & Entertainment Law Society. Before going into private practice, Kamau's professional experience included working as a Mechanical Engineer with the Virginia Military Institute, and internship with the Forsyth County Solicitor's Office, and internship with the University of Georgia Fanning Institute, working with the Pro Bono Outreach and Externship Office at the John Marshall School of Law, and working as an associate for Kenneth Dious & Associates. In addition to training mediators as a co-owner of the Hull Firm, Kamau has mediated cases across the state of Georgia, is the current Secretary for the Parent Attorney Advocacy Committee (PAAC), annually serves as a Judge for the Brenau University Mock Mediation Tournament, sits on the Whit Davis Elementary School Council, and is a Board Member of the Chess & Community Conference.
- **Education:** Atlanta's John Marshall Law School, J.D., 2013. Virginia Military Institute B.S. in Mechanical Engineering, minors in Mathematics and English, 2005.
- **ADR Fees:** \$150.00 per hour (split between both parties). \$300.00 no show/cancellation fee for less than 48 hour notice.
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PHIL M. LANDRUM, III, ESQ.

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- **Areas of Experience:** Civil, Domestic, Probate, Real Estate, School Law, Electric Membership Corporation Disputes.
- **ADR Experience:** Mr. Landrum completed a 20-hour General Mediation Training with the Justice Center of Atlanta, March 2003. Clinical Practicum for Mediation with the Justice Center of Atlanta, June 2003. A 40-hour Divorce Mediation training with Resolution Resources Corporation, October 2003. Divorce Mediation Practicum with Resolutions Resources Corporation, November 2003. Mediating cases involving Domestic Violence, December 2003.
- **Professional Experience:** 1992- Present: Practicing Attorney. 2003-Present: Mediator.
- **Education:** The Citadel, B.A. University of Georgia, School of Law, J.D.
- **ADR Fees:** \$150.00 per hour.
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- **Areas of Experience:** Family Law
- **ADR Experience:** Registered as a mediator in Civil and Domestic cases, as an Arbitrator, and registered in Domestic Violence. Extensive mediation experience.
- **Professional Experience:** Alyson is a partner in the firm of Ellis Funk, P.C., where she exclusively practices family law. Alyson has practiced family law since 2002. Alyson serves as a *Guardian ad Litem*, in contested custody matters. Alyson is certified in Collaborative Law. Alyson was recognized by her peers as a Georgia Super Lawyer Rising Star in 2010 – through the current year.
- **Education:** Valedictorian of University of Florida 1999 where Alyson received her B.A., JD Emory University School of Law 2002, admitted to practice in Georgia in 2002.
- **ADR Fees:** \$300.00 per hour. No cancellation fee.
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- **Areas of Experience:** Personal Injury, Domestic, Domestic Violence, Commercial, Construction, and Employment.
- **ADR Experience:** Mr. Leitch has been a full time practicing neutral since 1990 and has conducted over 1,200 mediations, arbitrations and case evaluations. He is on the panels of Gwinnett, Cobb, Clayton and DeKalb Counties, Henning Mediation & Arbitration, the American Arbitration Association and the NASD. He has trained mediators in 7 states and is currently on the National Faculty for Arbitrator Trainers for the American Arbitration Association and an adjunct professor of Alternative Dispute Resolution at Georgia State College of Law. Mr. Leitch is registered with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution (GODR) in General and Domestic Mediations, Arbitration and Early Neutral Evaluation since 1994. He is an advanced practitioner in the Association for Conflict Resolution (ACR).
- **Professional Experience:** Admitted to the Georgia Bar in 1974. Magistrate Court and State Court Judge by Designation in DeKalb County since 1990. Former Associate Judge of the Cobb County Juvenile Court. General Practice of Law. Superior court Judge by designation in DeKalb County since 2004.
- **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 Training: the American Arbitration Association, The National Judicial College, Pepperdine University, School of Law's Institute of Dispute Resolution, The Justice Center of Atlanta.
- **ADR Fees:** \$300.00 per hour, 2 hour minimum. A travel fee of \$100.0 per hour will apply if the mediation is in any location other than Hall, Cherokee or Forsyth County. A late cancellation fee of \$300.00
- **Email:** [leitchADR@aol.com](mailto:leitchADR@aol.com)
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- **Areas of Experience:** General, Domestic, Domestic Violence Mediations and Arbitration.
- **Professional Experience:** Ninth Judicial Administrative District Office of Dispute Resolution, Director.
- **ADR Fees:** \$200.00 per hour.
- **Website:** [www.adr9.com](http://www.adr9.com)

- **Areas of Experience:** Personal Injury, Wrongful Death, Product Liability, Domestic Relations, Premises Liability, Commercial Disputes, Toxic Torts, Libel and Slander, Insurance Law, Civil Rights, and Professional Negligence.
- **ADR Experience:** Mediation-Arbitration Training: Basic Mediation Training by Atlanta Justice Center, 1992. Advanced Mediation Training by Ninth District Office of Dispute Resolution 1996, 1997-2000. Early Neutral Evaluation Training by Ninth District Office of Dispute Resolution 1996. Arbitration Training by Ninth District Office of Dispute Resolution, 1999. Domestic Mediation Training by Resolution Resources 2003. Estimated number of cases handled is over two thousand.
- **Professional Experience:** Partner, Hulsey, Oliver & Mahar, LLP, in private practice since 1974, handling litigation in state and Federal courts on behalf of both plaintiffs and defendants. Cases included personal injury, wrongful death, product liability, premises liability, commercial disputes and toxic torts. Mr. Mahar is a registered General Mediation, Domestic Mediator, Arbitrator, and Early Neutral Evaluator with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution. He was admitted to the Bar in 1974. Member of the State of Bar of Georgia (ADR and General Practice and Trial Sections), American Bar Association (litigation and ADR Sections), Gainesville Northeastern Circuit Bar Association (President 1996-1997), and Georgia Council for Dispute Resolution and also Founding Member, Georgia Academy of Mediators & Arbitrators.
- **Education:** University of Georgia, B.A. University of Georgia School of Law, J.D.
- **ADR Fees:** \$120.00 per hour per party, 2 hour minimum.
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- **Professional Experience:** Ms. McConkey has been a registered neutral with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution since 1993. She has been mediating divorce and custody cases since 1994 and has taught the Basic Mediation Skills class for neutral registration through the Justice Center of Atlanta since 1994 and also the Advanced Mediation Course, Special Education Mediation, Workplace dispute mediation and the divorce/custody mediation. Ms. McConkey has been an onsite mediator for Fulton Superior Court since its inception in 1998, and is on the ADR list with Fulton, Cobb and the 9<sup>th</sup> Judicial Districts.
- **Education:** Georgia State University, Master of Education.
- **ADR Fees:** \$250.00 per hour.

- **Areas of experience:** Member of the Georgia State Bar since 1991. Practiced in the areas of: securities litigation, domestic relations, adoptions, wills and estates, probate, real estate, business law, and personal injury.
- **ADR experience:** Registered neutral with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution for general civil, domestic, and domestic violence cases. Head of the mediation department at Boling Rice LLC in Cumming, Georgia. The offices of Boling Rice LLC are conducive to the mediation process having seven spacious conference rooms and a kitchen. Also available for travel throughout the Atlanta metro and north Georgia areas.
- **Professional experience: Past** - interned with Securities and Exchange Commission Atlanta Division; Series 63 and Series 7 Securities licensed with Merrill Lynch; attorney with securities litigation firm in Atlanta; partner with Boling Rice LLC law firm; owner/operator retail business. **Present** – mediation exclusively, and also serve as a Guardian ad Litem in the Forsyth County Superior Court. Personally, I have been through a divorce, and I am a parent.
- **Education:** University of North Georgia – BBA in Finance 1985; Georgia State University School of Law, *Juris Doctor, cum laude* 1991.
- **ADR Fees:** \$200.00 per hour; two hour minimum. \$400.00 cancellation fee if cancelled within 48 hours of scheduled date.
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- **Areas of Experience:** Attorney with General Practice firm, focusing on Domestic, Juvenile, Personal Injury, and Contract law.
- **ADR Experience:** Certified in General Mediation, Arbitration, Domestic and Domestic Violence Mediation, and Juvenile Arbitration.
- **Professional Experience:** Licensed to practice law since 2003, currently licensed in South Carolina and Georgia. Back ground in Public Interest and Juvenile Justice.
- **Education:** Furman University, B.A. in English 1997. University of South Carolina, J.D., 2003.
- **ADR Fees:** \$175.00 per hour.
- **Email:** [scott.mitchell@schraderlegal.com](mailto:scott.mitchell@schraderlegal.com)
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- **Areas of Experience:** **Areas of Experience:** Divorce, Family Violence, Child Support, Custody and Visitation, Contempt, and Civil Litigation.
- **ADR Experience:** Ms. Moore is a registered Georgia Mediator in the areas of Family Law, General Civil Litigation, and Domestic Violence. She is also a registered arbitrator.
- **Professional Experience:** Ms. Moore began practicing law in 2002 with the law firm of Banks & Stubbs, LLP in Cumming, Ga, where she was a partner from 2008-2015 before founding the firm of Patterson Moore Butler. Her background is in all areas of family law and her practice

is focused on the North Georgia Area. She specializes in family law litigation and mediation. Ms. Moore is the current coordinator for the Family Law Section of the Forsyth County Bar, former president of the Forsyth County Bar, member of the dispute resolution committee for the Forsyth County Bar and is involved in several community and alumnae organizations. Ms. Moore was named 2008 "Woman of Forsyth" and assisted with the development of the 2012 Standing Order in Forsyth County. In 2015, Ms. Moore was awarded the Client Distinction Award from lawyers.com and the Client Satisfaction Award in 2016 from the American Institute of Family Law Attorneys. The firm of Patterson Moore Butler is equipped to host mediations in Cumming, Georgia as they have three conference rooms and attorney offices with a large table to accommodate attorneys and parties. We also travel to your office location to conduct mediations. Mediations can be booked online via their website at [www.pattersonmoorebutler.com](http://www.pattersonmoorebutler.com).

- **Education:** University of North Georgia, B.S., 1999, Major Criminal Justice, Minor in Psychology. University of Memphis School of Law, J.D., 2002, awarded Dean's Award for Best Brief, Dean's Award for Most Persuasive Argument, served as Chief Justice of Mock Trial.
- **ADR Fees:** \$250.00 per hour, 2 hour minimum for mediations. 48 hour cancellation required or parties are charged for 2 hours of time.
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JO CAROL NESSET-SALE, ESQ.

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- **Areas of Experience:** General Civil Litigation (with an emphasis on Domestic Relations (Divorce, Child Custody, and Legitimation.), Criminal, Employment, Juvenile, Education, Personal Injury and Landlord/Tenant disputes.
- **ADR Experience:** Since 2006, Ms. Nessel-Sale has mediated over 400 cases in Fulton County and throughout Northeast Georgia for the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> District ADR Offices and in private settings. She is registered in Domestic Relations, with special training in Domestic Violence mediations, General Civil, and Deprivation mediations in the Juvenile Courts. She has attended advanced training conferences in various aspects of domestic relations mediation and the needs of children of divorce.
- **Professional Experience:** As a thirty year trial lawyer, Ms. Nessel-Sale has tried more than 250 cases, including divorce, custody, and related matters, wrongful death, criminal cases, including death penalty cases, and general civil disputes. She has been a mediation coach for seven years, was a Magistrate Judge for two, and a law professor for four. Ms. Nessel-Sale is a certified Guardian ad Litem and has served as a GAL in more than fifty cases in Georgia Courts. Since 2006, she has been in private practice, concentrating on domestic relations mediation, Guardian ad Litem services, and domestic relations law practice.
- **Education:** College of William and Mary, A.B. John Carroll University, M.A. teaching, University of Utah, J.D.
- **ADR Fees:** \$175.00 per hour. 2 hour cancellation fee if less than 48 hours' notice.
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**Anne D. O’Niell**

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- **Areas of Experience:** General Civil Law, Domestic Relations, Domestic Violence
- **ADR Experience:** Ms. O’Niell is registered as a neutral with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution and with Georgia’s Ninth Judicial Administrative District in the areas of general civil and domestic relations mediation. She completed her general civil, domestic relations and domestic violence mediation training at the Fanning Institute and at the Justice Center of Atlanta.
- **Professional Experience:** Ms. O’Niell has been trained in Georgia domestic relations law and has counseled and represented pro se parties in domestic relations cases. She is an active member of the State Bar of Georgia and an inactive member, in good standing, of the California, Louisiana and Washington, D.C. bar associations. Until her move to Athens in 2015, she was a partner in the San Francisco office of the national law firm Hinshaw & Culbertson, LLP. During her legal career in New Orleans and California, Ms. O’Niell practiced general civil, insurance coverage and commercial litigation and participated in more than 200 successful mediations of complex legal disputes.
- **Education:** J.D., Tulane University School of Law, cum laude, 1982; University of Massachusetts, B.A., magna cum laude, 1974
- **ADR Fees:** \$175 per hour (2-hour minimum; Cancellation fee of \$325 applies if notice of cancellation is received within less than 24 hours of scheduled commencement of mediation.)
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**JENNIFER C. PINSON-HARVEY, ESQ.**

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- **ADR of Experience:** Has settled cases or facilitated communications between parties in several thousand private and court-ordered domestic and civil mediations since 1995, including the areas of family law (divorce, custody, modification, legitimation and contempt), contract disputes, collections, personal injury, property issues and various other areas of legal disputes.
- **Professional Experience:** Solo law practice since 1995 specializing in mediations, uncontested divorces, wills and incorporations. Previously worked in state government relations with the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games, as a Congressional staffer, a municipal law association attorney and an associate in a general law practice.
- **Education:** University of Georgia, A.B.J., 1980. Emory University, M.A., 1982. George Washington University, J.D., 1988.
- **ADR Fees:** \$250.00 per hour. Accepts Visa, MasterCard, Discover, and American Express. Cancellation fees apply if notice of cancellation is not received 48 hours prior to scheduled mediation.
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**BONNIE O. POWELL, ESQ.**

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- **Areas of Experience:** Domestic, Landlord/Tenant, and workplace disputes.

- **ADR Experience:** General civil, domestic, domestic violence, workplace disputes. Also trained in Juvenile Delinquency and Deprivation.
- **Professional Experience:** Mediator, Director of Fulton Landlord/Tenant Mediation Program, Real Estate Closing and Attorney.
- **Education:** Bachelor of Science, Florida State University. Juris Doctor, Georgia State University College of Law.
- **ADR Fees:** \$250.00 per hour. \$350.00 cancellation fee if less than 48 hour notice.  
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DR. SUSAN S. RAINES, PH.D.

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- **Areas of Experience:** Domestic Relations including specialized issues of domestic violence. Superior Court civil cases including accident-injury, employment, eldercare, medical malpractice, environmental, intercultural and international disputes.
- **ADR Experience:** Dr. Susan S. Raines has mediated more than 12,000 disputes in Georgia and around the world. She mediates in every metro Atlanta court system and trains mediators statewide. She has supplied collaboration, mediation, evaluation and program design services to local businesses as well as national and international organizations such as the US Army Corps of Engineers and the United States. She adjusts her approach to mediation based on the needs of the case and the parties. She has written multiple books and more than 35 academic articles focused on mediation and conflict resolution including *Expert Mediators* (Rowman & Littlefield, with Jean Poitras) and *Conflict Management for Managers* (John Wiley & Sons, 2013).
- **Education:** B.A., California State University, Sacramento (Government). M.A. University of Idaho (Political Science). Ph.D. Indiana University (Public Policy).
- **ADR Fees:** \$180.0 per hour. Two-hour minimum. Cancellation fees apply if notice of cancellation is not received 48 hours prior to scheduled mediation.
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LYDIA J. SARTAIN, ESQ.

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- **Areas of Experience:** Family and Children's issues, civil, domestic, victim offender, juvenile, magistrate, government and criminal law.
- **ADR Experience:** Family and Children's issues, Ms. Sartain's experience as a District Attorney and as a Solicitor, and her involvement in civic organizations and community efforts involving children have been added to her experience.
- **Professional Experience:** Began law practice in 2002 focusing on family law. Ms. Sartain came to the firm from the public sector, having served for nine years as District Attorney of Georgia's Northeastern Judicial Circuit. She has a background, not only in criminal law, but also has a background as an advocate for children and youth and families. Prior to her initial appointment as District Attorney, Ms. Sartain was director of Georgia's Children and Youth Coordinating Council under the leadership of Zell Miller. Ms. Sartain was a founding member and served a Board Chairman for Gainesville's Edmondson-Telford Center for Children and Child Advocacy. She is a past president of the Northeastern Bar Association and was appointed to the State Board of Public Safety by Governor Roy Barnes in 1999. In 1998 Georgia Trends named her one of the State's "Forty under Forty" leaders.

- **Education:** Mercer College, B.A., 1981. Walter F. George School of Law, Mercer University, J.D., 1984.
- **ADR Fees:** \$250.00 per hour for cases in Hall County. \$300 per hour for cases outside of Hall County, 48-hour cancellation fee.
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DIANE B. SKINNER

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- **Areas of Experience:** Family mediation, divorce, custody, domestic relations, and domestic violence, probate court, elder care, labor and work place disputes, state court, magistrate court and small claims.
- **ADR Experience:** Mediating for over 18 years, Mrs. Skinner has always believed that what is in the best interest of the children, should be the first priority. Mrs. Skinner mediates hundreds of cases per year in her areas of experience. She is a registered member and is in good standing with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution since 1998. Mrs. Skinner mediates privately and in court ordered cases with disputes since becoming a mediator in 1998. She is also registered with the Ninth Judicial District, the Cobb County Judicial District, and the Sixth Judicial District.
- **Professional Experience:** 1998-Present: Mediator, Diane B. Skinner, LLC. 1991-1995: Director, Human Resources, Arby's Franchise Association. 1985-1988: Supervisor, General Motors. 1983-1985: Personnel Manager, Alston and Bird.
- **Education:** Georgia State University, BBA; Labor Relations, 1981.
- **ADR Fees:** \$175.00 per hour. \$300.00 late cancellation fee. \$300 no show fee.
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STEVE SMITH, ESQ.

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- **Area of Experience:** General Civil, Domestic Relations (including domestic violence), Business/Commercial Matters, Contracts, Collections, Insurance, Real Estate, Investments, and Employment.
- **ADR Experience:** Mr. Smith has a board experiential background well-suited for many areas of mediation success, including business, domestic relations, insurance, employment, and general civil matters.
- **Professional Experience:** Mr. Smith is a Registered Mediator in Georgia, Active Attorney with the State Bar of Georgia, has a securities license (FINRA Series 7 Gen'l Securities & Series 63 Advisory), Insurance License (Life, Accident & Sickness in Georgia), and his real estate license in Georgia (inactive). Mr. Smith is a former banker, general counsel for a manufacturing and importing company, partner in a catalog retailer, US sales manager for an international auto accessory company, personal financial advisor and insurance agent. In addition to mediating, he currently practices law in Blue Ridge, GA, including a concentration in domestic relations.
- **Education:** BS in Financial Management, Clemson University. MBA, University of Georgia. JD (law), University of Georgia.

- **ADR Fees:** \$200.00 per hour, 2 hour minimum. Reduced to 1 hour charge if cancelled at least 24 hours ahead. No charge if cancelled or rescheduled more than 72 hours ahead.
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Rebecca R. Watts

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- **Areas of Experience:** Divorce, Custody, Parenting Time, Domestic Violence, Workplace Mediation, Landlord Tenant, Contracts, Small Claims, Neighborhood Disputes.
- **ADR and Professional Experience:** Extensive training in General Civil, Domestic and Domestic Violence Mediation. Registered Neutral with the Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution.
- **Education and Publications:** B.A. Music Performance, Cum Laude, High Honors, Brenau University, 2007; B.A. Conflict Resolution and Legal Studies, Cum Laude, High Honors, Brenau University, 2007; Honors Undergraduate Thesis, *The Psychological Affects of Music on Criminal Behavior*, Published May 2007.
- **ADR Fees and Availability:** \$175.00 per hour, 2-hour minimum, 48-hour cancellation notice or \$300 fee. Available evenings and weekends and accepts credit cards.
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- **Other:** Evening and Weekend times available.

F. MARIAN WEEKS, ESQ.

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- **Areas of Experience:** Family Law. Domestic Relations Attorney.
- **Professional Experience:** Ms. Weeks has been practicing domestic law in the State of Georgia for over 30 years. Her main concentration in the law is the area of domestic relations. Ms. Weeks has been a certified mediator since 1993. She has been certified as an arbitrator for over 25 years. She has extensive experience in handling both bench and jury trials. Ms. Weeks mediates over 50 domestic cases per year. She also has experience in collaborative law.
- **Education:** Florida State University, B.S., 1966. Woodrow Wilson College of Law, J.D., 1980.
- **ADR Fees:** \$200.00 per hour.
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NEDRA L. WICK, ESQ.

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- **Professional Experience:** Ms. Wick has been a licensed attorney in the State of Georgia since 1995. In 2001, she focused her practice to ADR, a field with which she first became involved in 1977. As a registered mediator in Georgia, Ms. Wick also arbitrates cases nationwide. She is certified for court selection in the Sixth, Seventh, Ninth, Clayton, Cobb, DeKalb, and Gwinnett Judicial Districts. She has served as a Mediator in over 2,500 disputes. Ms. Wick teaches a basic and advanced mediation class with the Mediation Training Institute/Atlanta Divorce Mediators. She has been featured on WABE Georgia Public Radio.
- **ADR Fees:** \$200.00 per hour, 48-hour cancellation notice required or \$350.
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