

## Mediation Panel

Joseph H. Hemming, Esq.

**Current Employer-Title:** Law Offices of Joseph H. Hemming, Owner

**Profession :** Attorney, Mediator, Arbitrator

**Work History:** Owner, Law Offices of Joseph H. Hemming, 2001- Present; Magistrate, 52-4 (Troy) District Court, 2000-2001; Altus & Hemming, Partner, 1991-2001; Attorney, Sole Practitioner, 1984-90; Senior Law Clerk, Honorable Frederick C. Ziem, Oakland County Circuit Court, 1979-83.

**Experience:** Mediator, arbitrator, and facilitator of commercial, business and real estate disputes. As an attorney, focuses practice in litigation in commercial disputes and other areas including real estate, family and probate law with 20 years of experience representing businesses and individuals as both plaintiffs and defendants.

**Representative Cases Handled as Mediator:** Mediated cases involving business and commercial law and real estate. Litigants have included various size businesses from small to large corporations as well as individuals. Facilitator for Oakland County Circuit Court, including Court Settlement Week.

**Representative Cases Handled as Arbitrator:** As arbitrator, both on single and 3 arbitrator panels including as chair. Have arbitrated cases similar to those mediated as a mediator including business, commercial, and real estate disputes, involving all sizes of businesses from small to large corporations as well as individuals. Have also served as discovery master in multi-party arbitrations.

**Alternative Dispute Resolution Experience:** American Arbitration Association mediator since 1998 and arbitrator since 1994. Mediator for Oakland County Circuit and District Courts since 1994. Facilitator for Oakland County Circuit Court Facilitation Project and for Circuit Court Settlement Week.

**Alternative Dispute Resolution Training:** Oakland Mediation Center, additional 40 hours training, 2004; AAA Arbitrator Update 2001; AAA Commercial Arbitrator II Training, Southfield, 2/01; AAA Commercial Arbitrator Training, Southfield, 1/99; Oakland County Circuit Court Facilitative Mediation Training, Southfield, 9/96; AAA Basic Arbitrator Training, Southfield, Michigan, 1994; Resolution Center of Macomb County, 40 hours mediation training, 1994.

**Professional Licenses:** Admitted to the Bar: Michigan, 1983; U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Michigan. 1983.

**Professional Associations:** State Bar of Michigan (ADR, Business Law and Real Estate Sections), currently sitting as member of Character and Fitness Committee; Oakland Mediation Center, Inc. (Past President; Board of Trustees); National Association for Community Mediation; The Inn of Court (Master; OCBA);

**Education:** Michigan State University (BA, with high honors-1976); Wayne State University Law School (LLM-1983).

References: Bruce Byrd, (210) 351-5518; Timothy Wittlinger, (313) 965-8526; Bill McCririe, (810) 229-6167

**Fees:** \$210.00 per hour Mediator Compensation, \$75.00 per hour AAA Administrative Fee. Study time billed at same hourly rate.

**Citizenship:** United States of America

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### **EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE**

#### **ATTORNEY** 1984 - Present

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#### **Responsibilities include:**

20 years experience as litigator, advising and representing individuals and small-to medium-size businesses as both Plaintiff and Defendant in several areas including business and contract law, collections, real estate, probate and family law.

#### **ARBITRATOR** 1994 - Present

American Arbitration Association (Commercial Panel),

**Experience includes:** Served on single and three panel arbitrations including serving as chair and discovery master for both simple and complex multiple party arbitrations.

#### **MEDIATOR** 1994 - Present

The Oakland Mediation Center, Inc.

Oakland County Circuit and District Courts

Approved by Oakland County Circuit Court as Oakland County Civil Mediator

American Arbitration Association

**Experience Includes:** Successfully mediating simple to complex matters involving individuals, businesses, large corporations, and municipalities.

#### **MAGISTRATE:** 2000 - 2001

52-1 District Court, Oakland County

#### **LAW CLERK:** 1979 – 1983

Senior Law Clerk for the Honorable Frederick C. Ziem, Oakland County Circuit Court; Law Clerk for the Honorable Michael Batchik, 52-1 District Court

### **EDUCATION**

Wayne State University Law School, Detroit, MI  
Juris Doctor Degree awarded 1983

Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI  
Bachelor of Arts Degree awarded with High Honor 1976

Mediation training - 40 hours of CDRP Mediation Training – 1994; additional 40  
hours training - 2004

AAA Basic Arbitration Training -1994 and update 2001

Oakland County Circuit Court Facilitative Mediation Training Program - 1996

AAA Commercial Arbitrator Training Workshop - I - 1999

AAA Commercial Arbitrator Training Workshop –II- 2001

## **PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

State Bar of Michigan (Member, Business Law, Family Law and Real Estate  
Sections)

Character & Fitness Committee for State Bar of Michigan

Inn of Court (OCBA, Master)

Oakland Mediation Center, Inc. (Past President, Board of Trustees)

Alternate Dispute Resolution Committee for State Bar of Michigan

American Arbitration Association (Member, Advisory Board)

National Association for Community Mediation

Oakland County Bar Association (Member, Public Advisory Committee on  
Judicial Candidates)