

**SANTA CLARA COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
BACKGROUND INFORMATION / FAMILY DIVISION ADR PANEL**

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Check each panel for which you have been accepted: mediation collaborative practice

1. Describe your education, including degrees and the dates received.

BS, University of California, Davis 1973

JD, University of California, Hastings College of the Law, 1990

2. Briefly describe the ADR training you have received. For each training, give the trainer's name, the dates attended, and the total hours.

-Northern California Mediation Center, 68 hours; Santa Clara County ADR, 40 hours; Family Mediation Equitable Distribution, 40 hours; Fast Law Mediation, 13 hours; BBB Arbitration 22 hours; California State Fee Arbitration certification; other mediation and arbitration training over 100+ hours

3. Describe the subject matter of five disputes for which you have been a mediator in the past five years, with the dates. State whether you were a sole- or co-provider.

- *Child custody and visitation, family law and parentage cases*
- *Spousal support and child support, family law and parentage cases*
- *Community property division including real property, stock, and retirement*
- *Division of business and business valuation*
- *Marital settlement agreements*

4. Check your areas of substantive expertise:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Partnership | <input type="checkbox"/> Estate Planning |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Family Law (Divorce, Custody, etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Parentage | <input type="checkbox"/> Real Estate |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) <i>small business issues</i> | |

5. What is your State Bar No.: *153110*

A. How many years have you been in active practice? If none, please explain.

25 years

B. What is or was the nature of your practice?

Currently it is primarily mediation and arbitration; formerly mediation, arbitration and litigation.

C. Are you certified in any specialty? If so, please list.

I hold multiple certifications in mediation and arbitration.

6. What is your ADR style?

Facilitative, evaluative, directive, and a combination of techniques depending on the parties' needs.

7. Describe your fee schedule, including any sliding-scale or pro-bono provisions.

\$300/hour; a sliding scale for modest means clients. I offer payment plans and accept credit cards.

8. Give any other information that should be considered by parties or counsel.

I've mediated hundreds of family law and parentage cases with a high success rate. I actively participate in the Santa Clara County Bar Association on the Family Law, Minor's Counsel, and Rules committees. I am the supervising attorney at Pro Bono Project and have been the program manager for the Family Court Settlement Program for over 3 years. I have a strong and extensive business background, and have built, developed and sold veterinary hospitals.