



Lee Jay Berman

Mediator

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Qualifications:

- > Over 1,900 Successful Mediations in 20 years as a mediator
- > Named to Los Angeles and San Francisco Daily Journal's Top Neutrals for 2008
- > Distinguished Fellow, International Academy of Mediators, 2003-present
- > Diplomat, California Academy of Distinguished Neutrals, Charter Member
- > Certified International Mediator, International Mediation Institute, The Hague, The Netherlands
- > Mediator of the Year, U.S. Bankruptcy Court 2006
- > Mediation Panels for U.S. Bankruptcy Court, California 2nd District Court of Appeal, Superior Courts of Los Angeles, Santa Barbara, Kern and Sonoma Counties
- > National Chair of American Bar Association's Dispute Resolution Training Committee (2003-2007)
- > Former Director of "Mediating the Litigated Case" program at Pepperdine Straus Institute (2002-2009)
- > International Dispute Resolution Expert, United Nations Development Programme
- > CPR Institute of Dispute Resolution, National Panel of Distinguished Neutrals
- > American Arbitration Association's Business & Commercial Mediation Panel, Employment Mediation Panel, Construction Mediation Panel, and National Registry of Mediators & Arbitrators
- > Mediation & Negotiation Skills Trainer for U.S. Agency for International Development, Institute for the Study & Design of Legal Systems, American Arbitration Association, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Superior Courts of Los Angeles, Kern and Sonoma Counties, Los Angeles County Bar Assn.
- > Former ADR Director for Santa Barbara Superior Court's CADRe Program
- > State Bar of California, Standing Committee on Alternative Dispute Resolution (2006-2009)
- > Mediation Panel, Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (Formerly NASD & New York Stock Exchange)

Evaluations:

"TEN-A-CIOUS!! Allows exchanges to vent feelings, but never allows a close resolution to die. Endless enthusiasm & abundant creative proposals." - *Ted Travis, Esq., Law Offices of David B. Bloom, Los Angeles, CA*

"Lee Jay is one of the finest mediation professionals I have encountered. Always diplomatic, well spoken, and the consummate professional." - *Hon. Frank J. Ochoa, Judge Santa Barbara Superior Court, Chair of the Court's ADR Committee*

"He is simply the best mediator that I know. He brings to the table an incredible combination of business experience, passion for the mediation process, empathy and the skills necessary to close even the most difficult case. You just can't do any better." - *Robert S. Mann, Esq., The Mann Law Firm, Century City, CA*

"Mr. Berman is perhaps the finest mediator, in terms of sensitivity and insight, I have encountered in the last ten years. He was both sensitive and insightful in a difficult case. The medical and legal issues were complex, yet he was fully able to address these issues immediately." - *Hon. Bert Bresticker, Administrative Law Judge, California Department of Social Services*

"I appreciate his practical approach and common sense. He is knowledgeable about business and about people's feelings and motivations. This gives him the ability to reach the participants, lawyers included, in a way that permits constructive dialogue." - *Gregg Martin, Esq., Hamburg, Hanover, Karic & Martin, Century City, CA*

"The bottom line is that Mr. Berman knows how to unlock the promise of mediation and when he does I doubt that anyone can see it as anything but good business." - *Hon. James Rigali, Judge, Santa Barbara Superior Court*

"Mr. Berman really 'worked' the mediation. He put a lot of effort into helping the parties reach the resolution. If we had had another mediator, we might not have been able to settle. Both my client and I have used mediation extensively and found Mr. Berman to be one of the best mediators we have used." - *Amy Britt, Esq., Zwicker & Assoc., So. Pasadena, CA*