

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS, WESTERN DIVISION**

Mediator Information Form for Web Site

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Mediation Experience

Years of mediation experience 8 Total number of mediations conducted: 12

Training:

Course	Course Provider	Date	No. of Hours
Basic Mediator Training	17th Judicial Circuit	<u>2/11/94 & 2/12/94</u>	<u>8 hrs. 8 hrs.</u>
Advanced Mediator Training	17th Judicial Circuit	<u>8/9/95</u>	<u>8 hrs.</u>
	REDRESS for	<u>3/30/99 &</u>	<u>13 hrs.</u>
Mediation Training	U.S. Postal Service	<u>3/31/99</u>	<u>9 hrs.</u>
Kane County	Staff Instructor	<u>1/18/97</u>	<u>8 hrs.</u>
Will County	Staff Instructor	<u>1/31/98</u>	<u>8 hrs.</u>

Legal Experience

Years of legal practice: 33 Percentage of practice in Federal Court in last 5 years: 20 %

Number of mediations participated in as lawyer (not mediator): 2

If former judge: Number of years on the bench: _____ Year retired: _____

Expertise

Please list the areas of expertise you are most comfortable conducting mediation in:
Personal injury, product liability, transactional law, UCC, financing transactions including construction loans, mortgages, business financing and work-outs.

Professional Affiliations

Winnebago County Bar Association, Illinois State Bar Association, American Bar
Legal: Association, Airplane Owners & Pilots Association (legal panel member)

ADR: None

Other: Various charitable organizations

Fees

Hourly rate: \$200.00

Minimum Charge per mediation: \$500.00

Other fees: None

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF MEDIATION STYLE (no more than 100 words):

The parties must be prepared for the mediation. I will have informal contacts with the attorneys before we actually meet so that mediation has a chance to resolve the case. Most of the time in mediation is spent with the clients and their attorneys meeting with me separately to explore the alternatives and put forward the proposals of one party to another. I believe in client participation. It is important that they are active and vocal since they are the ones who have to agree. The goal of every mediation is to reach an agreement that day.

Please return form by **October 15** to: Magistrate Judge P. Michael Mahoney
211 South Court Street
Rockford, IL 61101
FAX: (815) 987-4291