

**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: 0 Total number of mediations conducted: 0

Training:

Course	Course Provider	Date	No. of Hours
<u>Civil Mediation</u>	<u>Center for Analysis</u>	<u>11/22/02 -</u>	<u>22</u>
<u>Skills Training</u>	<u>of ADR Systems</u>	<u>11/24/02</u>	<u></u>
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Legal Experience

Years of legal practice: 25 Percentage of practice in Federal Court in last 5 years: 75 %

Number of mediations participated in as lawyer (not mediator): 6

If former judge: Number of years on the bench: N/A Year retired:

Expertise

Please list the areas of expertise you are most comfortable conducting mediation in:

Bankruptcy, Commercial and Business Litigation

Professional Affiliations

Legal: Winnebago County Bar Association, Illinois State Bar Association, 7th Circuit Bar Association, American Bankruptcy Institute

~~ADR:~~ _____

Other: Adjunct professor of Bankruptcy Law - Northern Illinois University College of Law

Fees

Hourly rate: 200.00 Minimum charge per mediation: Negotiable

Other fees: Travel if mediation occurs outside of Rockford, IL; other out-of-pocket expenses as necessary

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

I believe that even the most complex litigation can be successfully resolved if all parties come to the mediation table with a desire to resolve the litigation. My style as a mediator will be to assist the parties in articulating the interests which have brought them to the litigation in the first place and to help the parties communicate about the areas where they appear to have common ground. The role of a mediator should also be to get the parties to fairly evaluate their own cases and strengths and weaknesses of their positions. Under certain circumstances, the mediator can provide assistance to a party in evaluating that party's own case based on the mediator's experience as a practitioner in similar cases.