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Current Employer-Title University of Michigan Law School - Adjunct Professor

Professional Summary Experienced attorney with career in all aspects of dispute resolution with over 44 years as a litigator, mediator and arbitrator focusing on claims pending in state and federal courts including legal and medical malpractice claims and defenses, health law, employment litigation, trade secret claims, real estate disputes, commercial contract disputes, insurance matters, environmental matters and product liability. For the past 17 years an adjunct professor of Alternate Dispute Resolution at the University of Michigan Law School teaching arbitration, mediation and negotiation techniques and practice.

Profession Adjunct Professor; Arbitrator, Mediator

Work History Adjunct Professor, University of Michigan Law School, 2006-Present; Principal, Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.L.C., 1984-2006; Partner, DeVine, DeVine, Kantor & Serr, 1968-1984.

Experience A diversified breadth of experience in litigating, arbitrating and mediating complex disputes including commercial, real estate, product liability, professional liability, health law, corporate and partnership disputes pending in state and federal courts. This led to a recognition of the importance of resolving claims efficiently and in also in the best interests of the disputing parties. This practical experience has been incorporated into 17 years of teaching classes in arbitration, mediation and negotiation at the University of Michigan Law School.

Representative Issues Handled as a Mediator Since receiving training in mediation in 1992, primary issues have been in the interpretation of business agreements, resolution of commission disputes, and various disputes between partners and shareholders. Also have experience with construction disputes, employment claims, personal injury claims, personal injury protection first party claims, real estate disputes, and disputes among members of non-profit and public boards.

Mediator Style & Process Preferences I believe a mediator should be well prepared and know as much as possible about the dispute. In most cases, I request confidential mediation summaries before the mediations begin. When appropriate, I meet with parties and counsel early in the process. I try to discover the underlying business or personal interests of the disputing parties. I strongly believe in the principles of confidentiality and self-determination and that mediation is successful only when parties are active participants in developing the settlement terms. If the dispute is narrowed to money, with parties' consent, I the use of evaluative and impasse-breaking techniques to help the parties evaluate the

dispute and arrive at a mutually agreeable resolution.

Technology Proficiency	Familiar with and accustomed to online communication programs like Zoom. Willing to utilize online platforms for preliminary hearings and conferences. Experienced in navigating electronically stored information and documents.
Education	University of Michigan (JD-1964); Washington & Lee University (BS, Business Administration-1962).
Professional Licenses	Admitted to the Bar: Michigan (1964); U.S. District Court : Eastern (1970), Western (1976) Districts of Michigan; U.S. Court of Appeals: Sixth Circuit (1978).
Professional Associations	State Bar of Michigan, (ADR Section); Washtenaw County Bar Association; American Bar Association.
Mediation Rate	\$450 Per Hour
Languages	English
Citizenship	United States of America
Locale	Ann Arbor, MI

The AAA's Rules provide the AAA with the authority to administer a mediation including, mediator appointment, general oversight and billing. Accordingly, mediations that proceed without AAA administration are not considered AAA mediations, even when the parties select an mediator who is on the AAA's Roster.

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