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Bristol, Rhode Island

Current Employer-Title Michael J. Schless, P.C.

Professional Summary After nearly ten years as a trial lawyer followed by another ten as a trial judge, has devoted full time since 1992 to ADR. Having mediated or arbitrated over 2,500 cases in all fields with as few as two and as many as 165 parties, and with amounts in controversy up to the eight-figure range, now devotes most attention to health care, commercial, construction, real estate and eminent domain disputes.

Profession Attorney, Arbitrator, Mediator

Work History Michael J. Schless, P.C. (Bristol RI since 2024/Austin TX 1994-2024), 1994-Present; Partner, Fleckman & Schless, 1993-1994; Of Counsel, Fleckman, Johnson & Passman, 1992-1993; Judge, County Court at Law, No. 3, Travis County, 1982-1992; Local Administrative Judge, 1989-1992; Attorney, Private Practice, 1979-1982; Associate, Friday & Kazen, 1973-1979.

Adjunct Professor, University of Texas School of Law (Negotiation; Mediation), 2012-2022; Faculty Member, University of St. Gallen (Switzerland) Executive Masters in European & International Business Law (Mediation), 2002-2011; Guest Faculty, University of Human Science (Liechtenstein), Executive Masters in Mediation, 2006-2007.

Experience Engaged in providing ADR services, including arbitration and mediation. Former judge of general jurisdiction court hearing civil and criminal matters including condemnation cases.

Mediator Experience Over 2000 cases mediated in all fields with as few as two and as many as 165 parties, and with amounts in controversy up to the eight figure range.

Mediator Style & Process Preferences My role is to assist the parties in achieving a resolution if that is their will. It is not for me to substitute my will for that of the parties. I will continue to explore every avenue until the parties tell me to stop or until the parties are satisfied that every possible avenue has been fully explored.

Education University of Texas at Austin (BA, Philosophy-1970); University of Texas (JD-1973).

Professional Licenses Admitted to the Bar: Texas (1973); Federal (1975).

Professional Associations Association of Attorney-Mediators (Past National President); State Bar of Texas ADR Section, (Past Chair); Texas Association of Mediators (Past President); Texas Mediator Credentialing Association (Chair); Supreme Court of Texas Advisory Committee on Court-Annexed Mediation; Advisory Committee on Negotiated Rulemaking in Texas; Travis County Bar Association ADR Section, (Founder and Past Co-chair); Attorney General's Texas Mediation Initiative Advisory Board; Texas Department of Criminal Justice (Victim Services, Victim Offender Mediation Dialogue Program).

Recent Publications & Speaking Engagements Faculty Member: University of St. Gallen (Switzerland), Executive Masters in European & International Business Law (mediation), 2002-2011 University of Human Science (Liechtenstein), Executive Masters in Mediation, 2006-2007.

Frequent speaker on ADR.

Mediation Rate	\$4,200 Per Day
Languages	English
Citizenship	United States of America
Locale	Bristol, RI

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