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Current Employer-Title Feit Services LLC – Principal
Fordham Law School – Adjunct Professor of Law

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Profession Attorney, Consultant, Law School Professor

Work History Principal, Feit Services LLC, 2018-Present; Adjunct Professor of Law, Fordham Law School, 2018-Present; Managing Director/Director of Litigation & Regulatory Proceedings, Goldman Sachs, 1992-2018; Special Counsel/Litigation Associate, Sullivan & Cromwell, 1982-1992; Law Clerk, U.S. Court of Appeals - Second Circuit (Hon. Thomas J. Meskill), 1981-1982.

Experience Over 35 years of experience handling complex litigation and regulatory matters, as an attorney with a major New York law firm, subsequently as the head of Litigation and Regulatory Proceedings at a publicly-held global financial services firm, and since 2018 as a consultant.

Extensive experience in business and commercial legal and regulatory matters arising under U.S. and international legal regimes, including in the areas of securities, mergers & acquisitions, private equity, corporate governance and fiduciary duties, antitrust, contracts, partnerships, business torts, real estate, employment/labor, intellectual property, compliance, risk management, accounting and insurance.

Recognized expert in managing litigation and regulatory matters covering a broad range of industries and legal areas, overseeing and liaising with major law firms across the globe on all aspects of such matters including strategy, briefing, risk assessment, and mediation/settlement. While in charge of Litigation & Regulatory Proceedings at the Goldman Sachs organization, developed vast expertise in managing a global team of litigation/regulatory lawyers and paralegals, as well as coordinating on the public company aspects of litigation/regulatory matters, including disclosure and accounting. Participated in developing and implementing compliance and training programs on broad ranging topics relating to public companies and the financial services industry. CLE Lecturer on managing law firm-client relationships. Treasurer and Executive Committee Member of a significant not-for-profit foundation supporting contemporary classical music.

Adjunct Professor of Law, Fordham School of Law, Upper Class Seminar Entitled "Commercial Litigation Drafting and Mediation."

Mediator Experience Party participant in dozens of securities and commercial mediations.

NYC ADR Panels of Distinguished Neutrals; FINRA Approved Arbitrator & Mediator; Member, NYSBA Dispute Resolution Section & Mediation Committee (Securities, Dispute Prevention & Ethics Subcommittees); completed Part 146 (NYSBA) Mediation Basic and Advanced Training

Programs; approved Initial Mediation Training Program by NY State Unified Court System under Part 146 and Frequent Mediation Training Facilitator; New York Appellate Division, First Department, Special Master; NY Supreme Court Mediator Rosters (all five NYC counties, Nassau County, Suffolk County Commercial Division Roster of Neutrals).

**Representative Issues
Handled as a Mediator**

Contract and commercial disputes, construction issues, securities and investment issues, business dissolution, corporate governance, legal billing, real estate and mortgages, partnership, condominium/coop board/unitholder issues, personal injury and malpractice, guaranties, escrow disputes, vendor disputes.

**Mediator Style & Process
Preferences**

An effective mediation has no preordained format or structure. Rather, it is the parties' mediation and accordingly should be organized based on pre-mediation discussion and evaluation to best meet their needs and achieve their objectives. That may entail varying features including use of joint and/or individual sessions, which may be in-person or virtual, as well as follow-up "shuttle diplomacy" and when appropriate, mediator's proposals. To make any sessions and discussions most meaningful, a mediator should strive in advance to understand the legal and factual issues, as well as the commercial and relationship dynamics. Above all, the process must assure careful listening to the parties' positions and messages, as well as confidentiality and precision to ensure that all exchanges are accurate and authorized.

Education

New York University School of Law (JD-1981); Wesleyan University (BA, Magna Cum Laude-1978).

Professional Licenses

Admitted to the Bar: New York (1982); U.S. District Court: Southern/Eastern Districts of New York; US Court of Appeals: Second Circuit; U.S. Supreme Court.

Professional Associations

Member New York State Bar Association, Dispute Resolution Section & Mediation Committee.

**Recent Publications &
Speaking Engagements**

Author, The Arbitrator as Referee, Alternatives, Vol. 39, No. 8 (September 2021); Author, Virtual Arbitration: Fad or New Normal?, Alternatives, Vol. 39, No. 6 (June 2021); Author, Mediating Ineffectual Parties, NYSBA New York Dispute Resolution Lawyer, Vol. 14, No. 1 (April 2021); Author, How 'Blind' Is a Mediator's Proposal?, Alternatives, Vol. 38, No. 9 (October 2020); Author, To Triage or Not Triage?, Alternatives, Vol. 39, No. 3 (March 2021) ; Author, Civility Standards for Mediation, NYSBA New York Dispute Resolution Lawyer, Vol. 13, No. 2, 2020; Author, Critical Mediator Qualities Viewed from the Advocacy Trenches, NYSBA New York Dispute Resolution Lawyer, Vol. 12, No. 2, 2019.

Mediation Rate

\$450 Per Hour

Languages

English

Citizenship

United States of America

Locale

New York, NY

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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