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Newcastle, Washington

Current Employer-Title Matt Turetsky Mediation/Arbitration PLLC

Profession Arbitrator, Mediator

Work History Member/Arbitrator/Mediator, Matt Turetsky Mediation/Arbitration PLLC, 2019-Present;
Shareholder/Attorney, Schwabe Williamson & Wyatt, 1994-2019.

Experience Twenty-five years as a trial lawyer representing clients in business, commercial and personal disputes on both sides of the table. Seven years as a mediator and arbitrator.

Washington Super Lawyers, Business Litigation (2014-2018). Washington Super Lawyers, Alternative Dispute Resolution (2019-2022). American Academy of Civil Trial Mediators (2022-2023). The National Academy of Distinguished Neutrals (2022-2023).

Commercial:

Litigated and mediated cases involving breach of contract, partnership and shareholder disputes, consumer protection, unfair competition, copyright and trade secrets, banking and finance, fraud and conversion, and professional negligence and malpractice. Represented parties in class actions involving consumer protection, wage and hour violations, breach of contract, product liability, and the legality of insurance products. Represented national company in contract disputes involving more than 50 suppliers and distributors in three state and federal courts.

Real Estate and Construction:

Litigated and mediated cases involving commercial and residential construction, landlord and tenant, easements, covenants and restrictions, nuisance and trespass, land valuation, homeowners' association disputes, and foreclosure.

Employment:

Litigated and mediated compensation disputes, breach of employment obligations, duty of loyalty, and non-competition disputes, wrongful termination, discrimination, harassment, and hostile work environment cases. Litigated wage and hour disputes.

Maritime and Transportation:

Litigated maritime cases, including Jones Act, collision/allision, cargo and shipping, marine insurance, vessel construction and repair, and sales and leasing contract claims. Tried a two-week vessel construction case to verdict in federal court. Also litigated numerous ports, trucking and railway claims.

Insurance:

Litigated commercial general liability, coverage, common law and statutory bad faith claims, including class action involving claims of improper insurance policies.

Personal Injury:

Litigated and mediated personal injury claims, including wrongful death and serious injury, construction related accidents, product liability, mass tort, and medical malpractice.

Mediator Experience

Participated in more than 50 mediations as an attorney and 175 as mediator. Mediated over 30 multi-party cases. Amounts in controversy ranged from \$25,000 to \$10,000,000.

Commercial:

Mediated cases involving breach of contract, partnership and shareholder disputes, consumer protection, unfair competition, copyright and trade secrets, banking and finance, breach of fiduciary duty, fraud and conversion, successor liability, fraudulent transfers, class actions, and professional negligence.

Real Estate and Construction:

Mediated cases involving commercial and residential construction, landlord and tenant, easements, covenants and restrictions, nuisance and trespass, homeowners' association disputes, and foreclosure.

Employment:

Mediated cases involving compensation disputes, breach of employment obligations, duty of loyalty, and non-competition clauses. Mediated wrongful termination, discrimination, harassment, and hostile work environment cases.

Maritime and Transportation:

Mediated cases involving Jones Act, collision/allision, cargo and shipping, marine insurance, vessel construction and repair, and sales and leasing contract claims.

Insurance:

Mediated cases involving commercial general liability, coverage, common law and statutory bad faith claims.

Personal Injury:

Mediated personal injury cases, including wrongful death, product liability, premises liability, automobile accidents, etc.

Mediator Style & Process Preferences

Having spent the last 25 years of my career litigating business, commercial and personal disputes on both sides of the table, I have seen the toll that litigation can take financially and emotionally. My innate ability and desire for helping parties in a conflict come together to find creative solutions is what prompted me to start my mediation and arbitration practice. I am a devoted believer in alternatives to a competitive and risky process and help parties work cooperatively to find the most favorable result for everyone involved.

Getting individuals and businesses out of risky and costly situations before they spiral out of control, even where it looks like there is no solution, and helping people solve their problems is what motivates me and is most gratifying. I bring an understanding of both the business issues and the human elements at play that impact decision-making and are causes of impasse, along with an ability to connect with people, listen and influence decisions.

Education

Hastings College of the Law, University of California (JD-1993); University of Washington (BBA-1987).

Professional Licenses

Admitted to the Bar: Washington (1994); U.S. District Court: Western District of Washington, Eastern Districts of Washington; U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Court.

Mediation Rate

\$540 Per Hour

Languages

English

Citizenship

United States of America

Locale

Newcastle, WA

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