ROBERT J. SHEPPARD - - *Curriculum Vitae (Private Mediator/Arbitrator)*

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PRIVATE MEDIATOR/ARBITRATOR/NEUTRAL

Voted and selected each year from 2006 to 2026 (for 20 years): **"Northern California Super Lawyer"** in the field of Mediation & ADR for civil disputes and in field of Real Estate Law (ballots sent to 52,000 Northern California lawyers). Focus and training in Real Estate Law, Landlord-Tenant Law, Premises Liability Law, Personal Injury and Tort Law, Insurance Coverage, Commercial Disputes, Business Transactions, Employment Disputes, Wills/Trusts, Estate Planning, Professional Malpractice, Neighbor Disputes, Intra-family disputes, Partnerships

EXPERIENCE

PRIVATE MEDIATOR/ARBITRATOR/NEUTRAL, *1982 - present*

Conducted over 2,200 private mediations and arbitrations. Hired by lawyers, non-lawyers, plaintiffs and defendants, insurance companies, small, medium and large businesses, property owners, tenants, governmental entities. Trained in pre-litigation dispute resolution techniques. Specialization in insurance, business disputes, real estate disputes, landlord-tenant disputes, disputes between neighbors, HOA's, real estate agents or contractors, disputes between parties claiming conflicting interests in real estate, neighbors, inter-family disputes, general tort liability, sales/purchases, estate/probate, will/trust disputes, employment disputes, professional malpractice, medical malpractice. Mediation/problem-solving skills praised by hundreds of lawyers, parties insurance claims adjustors.

SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE JUDGE (PRO TEM) SAN FRANCISCO SUPERIOR COURT, *1986 - 2019*

Trial Judge/Settlement Conference Judge on over 500 trials/cases. Developed reputation as "efficient and effective" in resolving and adjudicating contentious disputes.

THE MEDIATION SOCIETY, MEMBER AND ON BOARD OF DIRECTORS, *2001 - present*

President of The Mediation Society - - Northern California group of distinguished Mediators. Conducted lectures on mediation skills, led numerous mediation training sessions to lawyers/judges/fellow mediators.

MEMBER, REAL ESTATE NEUTRALS, *1999 - present*

Member of Bay Area Real Estate Neutrals, a Northern California organization of mediators who handle real estate transaction disputes as Mediators or Arbitrators. Specialty in Non-Disclosure cases.

MEMBER, NATIONAL MEDIATION CENTERS, *2003 - present*

Member of nationwide organization of experienced mediators. Serve businesses, corporations, and parties in disputes regarding contracts, employment, divorces or other personal dispute matters.

COURT-APPOINTED DISCOVERY MAGISTRATE AND REFEREE, *1999 - present*

Specially Appointed by the San Francisco Superior Court as a Discovery Magistrate and Referee to resolve Discovery disputes between litigants (through their respective attorneys).

ARBITRATOR-MEDIATOR PANELIST, KAISER PERMANENTE, *2004 - 2014*

Specially appointed by California Office of Independent Administration to be an Arbitrator-Mediator for Kaiser Permanente disputes (medical malpractice claims by patients, employment dispute claims by employees, etc.)

SENIOR PARTNER, SHEPPARD, UZIEL & HENDRICKSON LAW FIRM, *1979 - present*

Managed thousands of complex litigation cases (for both plaintiffs and defendants). Litigation in all Bay Area Courts. Prosecuted and defended many "seven figure" cases. Extensive Transaction work (business, real estate).

EDUCATION

University of Illinois (Urbana - Champaign) 1971 - 1975, Magna Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa
University of San Francisco School of Law 1975 - 1978, Juris Doctor Degree