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MEDIATION EXPERIENCE

For over a decade, Ms. Barr has resolved over a thousand cases – many of them multi-party, bitterly-contested disputes – in a variety of areas including employment, real estate, business, environmental, toxic tort, professional liability, and insurance coverage law. Her success at settling cases attests to her skills at distilling complex issues, facilitating productive negotiations and defusing the emotional issues that often underlie conflict.

In addition to mediating legal disputes, Ms. Barr mediates conflicts in corporate and educational settings. She has been recognized by “[Best Lawyers in America](#),” as one of the top mediators and has been honored as one of the “Super Lawyers” in California by *Los Angeles Magazine*.

As an adjunct professor at the [Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution](#) at Pepperdine University School of Law, Ms. Barr has taught mediation skills to students, lawyers and judges. She is a frequent lecturer on mediation, negotiation and conflict resolution for law firms, businesses, insurance companies and educational institutions.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Employment
- Environmental and Toxic Tort
- Real Estate and Construction
- Catastrophic Injury
- Business
- Insurance Coverage
- Civil Rights
- Professional Malpractice

PROFESSIONAL LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Ms. Barr began practicing law 22 years ago as a litigator of complex civil cases. She was a named partner (under her maiden name, Oths) at Denney & Oths in Glendale, California where she focused on environmental, business and employment litigation. Prior to that, Ms. Barr litigated in the areas of entertainment and First Amendment law at Glassman & Browning in Beverly Hills. She has represented corporate and individual clients, as plaintiffs and defendants, in all stages of litigation including mediations, arbitrations, trials and appeals. Ms. Barr’s experience in litigating complex, multi-party lawsuits has been instrumental in her ability to resolve such cases as a mediator.

EDUCATION

Ms. Barr received a J.D. from Indiana University Law School in Bloomington and graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Indiana University. She has received mediation and negotiation training from many institutions including Harvard Law School’s Program on Negotiation, the Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution at Pepperdine Law School, U.C.L.A., Los Angeles County Bar, Center for Conflict Resolution, the California Court of Appeal, and Concur.

LECTURES

- Tips for Success in Employment Mediation, Los Angeles County Bar Association, Employment Section, 2011
- Always Be Closing, American Bar Association, 2011 and International Academy of Mediators, 2010
- Contaminated Property Cases: Evaluation, Litigation and Settlement, Beverly Hills Bar Association, December 2010
- Intangible Sources of Power in Mediation, International Trademark Association, 2009
- Adjunct Professor, Pepperdine University School of Law, Straus Institute of Dispute Resolution, 2006, 2008
- Mediating Real Estate Disputes, California Association of Realtors, 2008
- Conflict Resolution for Managers, Los Angeles Community College District, 2008
- Resolving Disputes: Mediation, Negotiation, and Facilitation in Theory and Practice, UCLA, 2008
- Ethics in Negotiation, Inns of Court, 2007
- Mediating the Litigated Case, Straus Institute of Dispute Resolution, Pepperdine University School of Law, 2007.
- Ethics and ADR: What Happened to Zealous Representation? State Bar of California, Sections Education Institute, January 2007.
- Bone Chips to Dinosaurs, Dialogue at Harvard, International Academy of Mediators Conference, Harvard University, 2006.
- A Business Attorney's Guide to Negotiating the Fine Points of ADR Clauses, State Bar of California Annual Conference, 2005
- Strategies for Successful Negotiations in Business Mediations, State Bar of California, SEI Conference, 2005
- Mediating an Entertainment Dispute, State Bar of California Annual Meeting, 2003

PUBLICATIONS

- Author, "Mediation Lessons from the Facebook/Winklevoss Dispute," Los Angeles Daily Journal, April 19, 2011
- The Evolution of Employment Mediations: A Mediator's Perspective," Advocate, Journal of Consumer Attorneys Associations for Southern California, October, 2008.
- Author, "Enforcing Agreements," Los Angeles Daily Journal, September 20, 2007
- Author, "Making Sound Decisions: How to Help Your Client Evaluate Settlement Options," 24 Alternatives 65, April 2006, International Institute for Conflict Resolution - CPR Institute.
- Co-author (under her maiden name, Oths), the California Environmental Law Handbook, Government Institutes, 1994-1997