

ADR Group Commercial Mediator Profile



JONATHAN ARKUSH

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As a practitioner with more than 30 years' experience at the Bar in property and commercial disputes, he is well used to the ways of litigation, negotiation and, in mediations, asking the penetrating questions designed to flush out the parties' real views on the merits of their case and expose its strengths, weaknesses and risks. Jonathan is equally used to handling advocates, members of other professions and occupations and litigants in person. Jonathan has conducted more than 100 mediations and virtually every mediation has resulted in a successful settlement outcome – certainly in excess of 85% of cases.

Professional Background

Jonathan was called to the bar in 1977 and a Tenant at 1 Verulam Buildings. In 1981 he joined 11 Stone Buildings and has been practicing there ever since. Jonathan is a senior barrister with great experience of appearing in courts of all levels including the House of Lords. He was appointed as Deputy master in the Chancery Division in 2002 and this has helped him to keep a firm hand on difficult situations and assess rival contentions tactfully and with impartiality and fairness.

Other experience

Extensive experience in a wide variety of commercial and Chancery litigation including negligence (both professional and otherwise), breach of contract, breach of trust, commercial property, residential property, contested shares in property, boundary and neighbour disputes, family trusts and settlements, disputes between members of charitable and religious bodies, inheritance, wills and probate, sale of goods and banking disputes. These mainly involved substantial amounts at stake, frequently in the high 6 figures and, in the case of the trusts and settlements matters in particular, in 7 figures.

Jonathan received the ADRg Award 2006 for his contribution to ADR and was cited as one of the group's most successful mediators.

Professional Memberships

In addition to being an accredited mediator with ADR Group, he is on the following Mediation Panels: Property Bar Association, Chancery Bar Association, Association of Contentious Trust and Probate Specialists, Dispute Mediation Limited and Central London County Court. Jonathan contributed the chapter on Landlord and Tenant Disputes to ADR and Commercial Disputes, Sweet & Maxwell, 2002.

Personal Interests

Jonathan enjoys cycling and fell-walking in the Lake District with his family.