

# 3 DAY COMMERCIAL MEDIATION TRAINING

(Approved under Part 146 of the Rules of the Chief Administrative Judge, NYS Unified Court System)

March 17-19, 2015

Fordham University School of Law 140 West 62<sup>nd</sup> Street, New York, NY 10023

## **Presented by:**

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FOR 19 YEARS TRAINERS FOR NY'S COMMERCIAL DIVISION PANEL

#### AN OVERVIEW OF THE COURSE:

This three-day course will present a thorough examination of mediation principles and techniques. The program faculty will analyze the structure of a typical mediation, highlight ethical issues that may arise in mediation, and explore solutions for generating movement and overcoming impasse.

We will explore differences between facilitative and evaluative or directive approaches in mediation, from both practical and ethical perspectives, and will discuss advantages and disadvantages of these styles. The instructors will focus on experiential learning through role plays and dialogue to help prepare you for the real world of commercial mediation.

#### 24 CLE credits

Includes continental breakfast, lunch, coffee, and program materials \$845 for NYSBA Members (\$795 for Dispute Resolution Section members) and \$945 for Non-Members

Watch for registration materials in the coming months!

#### **Topics & Skills:**

- Cultivating ideal Mediator orientation, attitude & awareness
- Effective Preparation
- Effective Communication
- Deep Listening Skills
- Effective Openings
- Maximizing Opportunities in Joint Session
- Wise Caucusing

- Power Risk Analysis art, timing & tact in engaging in evaluative processes
- Impasse Breaking
- Coming to Closure
- Theoretical tools to Grasp the underlying Negotiation
- Mediation Ethics
- Attorney & Party Roles in Mediation

For nearly two decades, the Commercial Division of New York's Supreme Court has provided focused training for its highly qualified panel of mediators. That same training is being offered, now for the sixth year in a row, through the **Dispute Resolution Section of NYSBA**, presented by the *original trainers-mediators*, supported by a team of highly experienced mediators acting as facilitators.

### **Praise from Court & Participants for this Commercial Mediation Training:**

"Thanks to you, we are confident that these new mediators bring to their role a strong grasp of mediation techniques and genuine understanding of the diverse issues they may confront. They can achieve the best results for the parties if they have a solid foundation in mediation, and that you have provided them."

Hon. Jacqueline W. Silbermann (retired), then Administrative Judge, 1<sup>st</sup> Judicial District

"[Y]our work on this project was magnificent."

Hon. Stephen G. Crane (retired), then Administrative Judge, 1st Judicial District

## PROGRAM DIRECTORS AND PRESENTERS:

SIMEON H. BAUM, ESQ.: Mr. Baum has practiced law in New York City for over 30 years as a commercial and general civil litigator, and has served as a neutral since the early 1990s. He is a principal of the firm of Simeon H. Baum, Esq., and President of Resolve Mediation Services, Inc. (<a href="https://www.mediators.com">www.mediators.com</a>). He was the founding Chair of the New York State Bar Association's Dispute Resolution Section, and has conducted over 1,000 mediations, including numerous commercial disputes. Mr. Baum has taught, lectured, and written extensively on ADR, including teaching "Fundamentals of ADR" at New York University's School of Continuing and Professional Development, and negotiation, mediation, and processes of dispute resolution at the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law. He was selected as "Lawyer of the Year" for ADR in New York by Best Lawyers for 2011 and 2014.

STEPHEN A. HOCHMAN, ESQ.: Mr. Hochman practiced law for over 40 years, specializing in corporate, commercial and securities law. He has mediated over 350 commercial and other types of disputes, including class actions and financial, employment, insurance, real estate, partnership and bankruptcy disputes, approximately 98% of which have settled. Mr. Hochman now practices exclusively as a mediator and arbitrator and writes, consults and lectures frequently on ADR subjects. For over a decade Mr. Hochman has trained the mediators in New York County and various other downstate counties. He also serves on the investment committees and boards of various non-profit corporations, including several hospitals and a captive insurance company.

## NYSBA Dispute Resolution Section Commercial Mediation Training

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Fordham University School of Law, 140 West 62<sup>nd</sup> Street, New York. NY Tuesday March 17, 2015 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Wednesday March 18, 2015 8:30 a.m. –5:00 p.m. Thursday March 19, 2015 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Registration at 8:00 a.m. each day.

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