

MEDIATOR PROFILE – ALLEN MICHAEL GRUBER, ESQ.

EDUCATION

Undergraduate: UCLA – School of Business Administration; Graduated with Honors (1966)

Law School - Hastings Law School; Law Review (1966 - 1967); UCLA Law School: (1967 - 1969)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE: More than 18 years mediating cases. For most of that time, I have been on the American Arbitration Association (AAA), S.D. Superior Court, C.A.R. and SDAR's Panels. I have been arbitrating matters, privately, through the AAA, and for the S.D. County Bar for more than 40 years, having arbitrated approximately 200 matters. I have been practicing law in California for more than 55 years, most of which have been in the areas of real estate, business, and commercial litigation. As to the AAA, I have been on its National Panel of Commercial and Consumer Arbitrators for 37 years and, for more than a half dozen years, on AAA's Complex Litigation Panel. I was an adjunct professor at the University of San Diego Law School from June 1990 to July 2024, teaching and supervising its live client civil clinic during that entire time, and from 2008 to 2014 its live client landlord-tenant clinic. I have also taught consumer law at Cal-Western law school and an advanced escrow and real estate licensing courses at Southwester Community College. For six (6) years, I was in-house counsel for a Keller Williams office involving approximately 125 licensees. During that time, my wife, Toni Donnet of Gruber & Donnet was its broker of record.

AFFILIATIONS

Member, United States Supreme Court (1985), California Supreme Court (1970), 9th Circuit Court of Appeals (1976), and U.S. District Courts for the Central (1970), Southern (1972) and Northern Districts (2002) of California
California State Bar, January 1970, #45276

California Real Estate Broker, May 2008, #01842437

San Diego Bar Association (1971), National Association of REALTORS® (2008), California Association of REALTORS [C.A.R.]® (2008), and Greater San Diego Association of REALTORS® (2008)

Member, C.A.R.'s Legal Affairs Forum since 2013.

STATEMENT: Most of my mediations are evaluative in nature. While the mediation is party driven, mediator recommendations/suggestions for solutions are offered to the Parties and their counsel. While online mediations are currently preferred, in-person mediations, if desired by all parties, are arranged and conducted with room charges added where appropriate.

MEDIATIONS CONDUCTED: More than 350 mediations have been conducted, involving real estate, business, and commercial disputes.

FEES:

Per C.A.R.'s requirements, the first two hours of the mediation are billed @\$200/hr. The second 2 hours (there is a 4-hour minimum) are billed @ \$450/hour. The first 2 hours of prep and administrative time are w/o charge. **All administrative time is given pro bono.** If more than 2 hours of administrative time is consumed prior to the mediation, then 2 hours preparation time @\$450 per hour are billed, pre-mediation, for a total pre-mediation fee (not including C.A.R.'s \$500 filing fee) of \$2,200. **There are no cancellation fees, regardless of the timing or the reason for the cancellation.** I believe parties should be able to settle their cases, pre-mediation, without fear of being penalized for having done so.

SERVICE AREAS: All of California

OFFICE LOCATION: San Diego/La Mesa

DO NOT CONTACT MEDIATOR DIRECTLY. All mediations must be filed directly with our Center and questions for mediators pre-assignment should be arranged with our Center.