

MEDIATOR PROFILE - JEANNE M. JORGENSEN, ESQ.

EDUCATION

Undergraduate: California State University Fullerton, B.A., with *High Honors* (1990)
Law School: Southwestern University School of Law, J.D., *Summa Cum Laude* (1996) Straus
Mediation: Institute for Dispute Resolution (Pepperdine University School of Law),
Mediating the Litigated Case, 42 hours (2005)
United States Bankruptcy Court, Central District of California, 12 hours (2007)
Orange County Superior Court, Temporary Judge Program, 6 hours (2018)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

I am an AV-rated attorney with over 20 years of experience focusing predominantly on real estate litigation in both state and federal courts (including bankruptcy court). My knowledge of real estate and contract law is extensive, and I have represented clients in many different types of real estate matters, including disputes involving purchase and sale agreements, options to purchase, broker liability, landlord-tenant issues, easements, CC&R's and restrictive covenants, and premises liability, among others. My practice includes all aspects of state, federal, and bankruptcy litigation, up to and including trials, post-litigation collection, and appeals. I often work with clients, both before and after litigation is commenced, to explore and develop negotiated resolutions of their disputes. In addition to my litigation practice, I have been a mediator since 2005.

AFFILIATIONS

- California State Bar (1996); also admitted to all federal District Courts in the state of California and the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- Orange County Bar Association, Business Litigation Section and Commercial Law and Bankruptcy Section (1999 – present), Alternative Dispute Resolution Section (2017 – present)
- United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California, Panel Mediator (2005 – present)
- Southern California Mediation Association, Member (2007 – present)
- Orange County Bankruptcy Forum, Officer and Board Member (2006 – 2008), Member (1999 – present)

STATEMENT

As a seasoned litigation attorney, I know first-hand the inadequacies of our legal system for resolving private disputes. Litigation is costly, time-consuming, and unpredictable. Even when a party "wins" in terms of a favorable judgment or outcome, they often have also "lost" in terms of the expenses incurred and the time, energy, and other resources necessarily redirected to the litigation. I believe that mediation is a valuable tool to help parties exercise more control over the outcome and achieve a less frustrating and more satisfying, cost-effective, and efficient resolution of disputes.

As a mediator, I employ a practical approach that is focused on exploring options and problem-solving. I am committed to providing the best service possible to help the parties achieve a positive result, starting with my initial contact with the parties and continuing even after the mediation has concluded. I always come prepared, having reviewed all the materials that the parties have provided to me and taken the time to understand the issues. I give the parties my undivided attention for the duration of the mediation and utilize my diligence, creativity, and tenacity in thoroughly exploring and evaluating options with the parties. After the mediation, I follow up and continue to be available as a resource should the parties need additional assistance finalizing a settlement or resolving issues that might arise in the documentation or consummation of any resolution.

FEES

\$425 per hour, four-hour minimum

SERVICE AREAS

Orange County and Los Angeles County within a 40-mile radius of Irvine with no travel fee. Other portions of Los Angeles County and Riverside County for a negotiable flat fee based on distance.

OFFICE LOCATION

Irvine

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.