MEDIATOR PROFILE - Kenneth R. Van Vleck, Esq.

EDUCATION

Undergraduate: Stanford University, 1990

Law School: UC Law, San Francisco (formerly UC Hastings College of the Law), 1993

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Ken has provided comprehensive mediation services since 2019. He was trained and certified as a mediator through the Pepperdine | Caruso Law School – Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution, among other mediator training institutions. He is a settlement conference mediator for the Santa Clara County Superior Court, a member of the Sixth Appellate District Court mediation panel, and a member of the San Mateo Superior Court ADR Panel. Ken has successfully mediated over 80 disputes.

Ken brings several decades of real estate litigation to his C.A.R. mediation practice. He joined GCA Law Partners LLP in 2007 as litigation partner. Before GCA, Ken was a litigation partner at Thoits, Love, Hershberger & McLean in Palo Alto. He has extensive trial, arbitration and appellate practice focused on real-estate and construction disputes since 1993.

Ken represents businesses and individuals in disputes involving real-estate finance, title, non-disclosure, commercial evictions, land boundaries, easements, trespasses, encroachments, and breach-of-contract or fraud claims. He represents buyers and sellers, brokers and agents, landlords and tenants, investors, lenders and borrowers, and common-boundary neighbors.

Ken is an executive member of the American Bar Association, Real Estate, Condemnation & Trust Litigation Section. Ken has served on the Santa Clara County Bar Association Board of Trustees, Civil Litigation Practice Committee, Financial Committee, and Professionalism Committee. He has earned Martindale Hubbell's highest rating (AV), ranking him "at the highest level of professional excellence." And he was selected to the Northern California Super Lawyers list every year since 2018.

AFFILIATIONS

California State Bar #168313

Mandatory Settlement Conference Attorney, Santa Clara County Superior Court

Mediator, Sixth Appellate District Court

Mediator, San Mateo County Superior Court

American Bar Association Section of Litigation, Chairman of the Commercial Real Estate Litigation Subcommittee Mountain View Mediation Program

STATEMENT

Litigation is fraught with peril. It is ugly, uncertain, time-consuming, and emotionally destructive. Early and effective mediation to avoid the toll of litigation is my primary goal.

FEES: \$600 per hour.

SERVICE AREAS

Ken will perform video-conference mediations anywhere in California. He can perform in-person mediations at his office or will travel up to 35 miles for free to your office in Santa Clara, San Mateo, San Francisco, Santa Cruz, and Alameda Counties. Outside 35 miles, Ken will mediate by Zoom, or will travel on a reimbursement basis to be negotiated.

OFFICE LOCATION: Mountain View, California

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.