

MEDIATOR PROFILE – Lori B. Sanford, ESQ., M.B.A.

EDUCATION

Undergraduate: University of California at San Diego

Law School: University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law

M.B.A: La Sierra University, Zapara School of Business

Mediation Certificate: Strauss Institute for Dispute Resolution at Pepperdine University School of Law

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Lori Sanford has 30 years legal experience litigating civil matters for both Defendants and Plaintiffs. Lori is a former insurance defense litigator and senior trial attorney who worked in Los Angeles and New York. Lori has taken cases to trial that involve homeowner issues and large construction projects. She also administered a surgical practice and medical equipment leasing company for over 15 years and has taught business law and ethics for a MBA program at La Sierra University. Lori is on various mediation and arbitration panels for the Superior Court of California, County of Riverside and has administered a Court settlement program for the past 12 years and is the Mediation chair for the Desert Bar Association. Lori has served as a mediator and arbitrator in over 180 cases for the Court and privately and has handled a wide variety of real estate cases involving breach of contract, failure to disclose, mold, latent defects, mechanic's liens, HOA disputes with homeowners and construction defects. Lori is a member of the AAA Consumer and Commercial Arbitration and Mediation panels.

AFFILIATIONS

California State Bar # 156468, New York State Bar # 2647410, Connecticut State Bar # 409904

Member, American Arbitration Association (AAA) Arbitration and Mediation Panel

Member, Superior Court of California, Riverside County Mediation and Trial Assignment Mediation Panel

Member, Superior Court of California, First Friday Settlement Conference Program, Volunteer

Administrator of Court Mediation program and Panel member

Board Trustee, Desert Bar Association, Chair of the Mediation and Fee Arbitration Committees

Riverside County Bar Association, Dispute Resolution Service, Arbitration and Mediation Panel

State Bar of California, Fee Arbitration

STATEMENT

What distinguishes one mediator from another is the skill set brought to the table and whether the neutral is effective in resolving disputes. People and communication skills are critical. Ms. Sanford is an experienced and often used neutral. She approaches every mediation with the goal of helping the parties resolve their dispute and move on in life.

FEES: \$ 400/hour

SERVICE AREAS: Riverside, San Bernardino Counties. Able to conduct Zoom mediation state-wide.

OFFICE LOCATION: Palm Desert, California