

## MEDIATOR PROFILE – Nathan L. Scheg

### EDUCATION

#### **University of California, Hastings College of the Law**

JD, Law, 1995 - 1998

#### **State University of New York at Binghamton**

BA, Economics, Environmental Studies minor, 1991 - 1995

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### *IRONHORSE MEDIATION SERVICES*

##### *Co-Founder / Mediator*

July 2015 - Present

Ironhorse Mediation Services provides mediation, special master, and discovery referee services throughout the San Francisco Bay Area. Our mediators have extensive experience resolving a wide range of disputes, focusing primarily on real estate, construction defect, and business-related matters. Ironhorse Mediation Services successfully resolves cases ranging in size and complexity, with the goal of achieving results more efficiently and cost effectively than through the litigation process. Our clients benefit from having a neutral third party help them find a way to resolve their case without turning the result over to a judge or jury.

Ironhorse Mediation Services provides both pre-litigation and course-of-litigation services to our clients. The cost of mediating a case is minimal compared to the costs incurred through the life of a lawsuit. The high cost and long delays associated with the trial of civil matters often make litigation an impractical method of resolving disputes. It is not uncommon for the attorney's fees, expert witness fees, jury fees, court fees and other related costs to exceed the amount in dispute. Mediating a case before a lawsuit is filed enables the parties to present their case to a mutually selected neutral person before any money is spent on litigation. Mediation can be successful not only prior to litigation but also during litigation. During litigation, mediation assists in resolving disputes and succeeds in improving the parties' communication, identifying their underlying interests, narrowing the issues in conflict, and helping them more carefully evaluate their litigation options, moving the dispute towards a quicker, more cost-effective resolution.

Ironhorse Mediation Services mediators also volunteer substantial time in their communities, serving as volunteer mediators for the California Superior Court in Contra Costa County.

#### *IRONHORSE LAW GROUP PC*

##### *Founding Shareholder / Attorney*

April 2014 - Present

Nathan Scheg represents clients in a broad spectrum of areas focused on and related to real estate and construction law. Nathan has represented some of California's largest developers and general contractors in all facets of litigation, including claims of defective construction,

mechanic's liens and contract disputes, from project initiation and preparation of contract documents through dispute resolution, including negotiation, mediation, arbitration and trial. Nathan has represented small businesses in matters ranging from commercial lease negotiations and other business transactions to contract litigation and other disputes. Nathan also represents individual homeowners, landlords and tenants in neighbor disputes, unlawful detainer, wrongful foreclosure and other residential real estate matters.

Nathan is also a trained mediator, offering mediation and other conflict resolution services to small and large businesses, individuals, and their lawyers, both before and during the course of litigation. Nathan utilizes these skills not only in mediation but also to bring an innovative problem-solving ability to all the matters that he handles on behalf of his clients.

#### *UC HASTINGS COLLEGE OF THE LAW*

##### *Adjunct Professor*

August 2009 - Present

The LW&R course provides students with a comfortable, small-class atmosphere in which they can develop the ability to analyze a problem, research the law, and logically and effectively communicate the results of the research in clear, simple English.

In the Spring semester of the first year, students take Moot Court. They write an appellate brief, deliver an oral argument, learn argumentative and persuasive legal writing, and continue to use computer-assisted legal research.

#### *SCHEG LAW PC*

##### *Attorney/Owner*

March 2009 - March 2014 (5 years 1 month)

Attorney representing individuals and businesses in a broad spectrum of areas, including real estate and construction law, commercial litigation, business transactions, personal injury and product liability. In the construction arena, represented some of California's largest developers and general contractors in all facets of litigation, including claims of defective construction, mechanic's liens and contract disputes from project initiation and preparation of contract documents through dispute resolution, including negotiation, mediation, arbitration and trial. Bought an innovative problem-solving ability to those matters arising during the course of ongoing projects and transactions.

#### *STRUCTURED RISK™*

##### *Chief Operating Officer/Chief Legal Officer*

October 2004 - March 2009 (4 years 6 months)

STRUCTURED RISK™ is a nationwide risk management solution for the building industry specifically designed to reduce construction defect claims and the cost of litigation. The STRUCTURED RISK™ solution is driven by a user friendly, intuitive web interface that facilitates the implementation of best practices for the insurance carrier and the developer. By using our break-through technology, STRUCTURED RISK™ captures critical construction data in real time

and connects our highly trained, claim-focused risk management auditors to the daily process of construction. STRUCTURED RISK™ is the first and only program to cost-effectively integrate high level risk management expertise with the actual construction site.

*SENN, PALUMBO & MEULEMANS, LLP*

*Attorney*

2001 - 2004 (4 years)

Attorney representing corporations and individuals in real estate and construction law, commercial litigation, and business transactions.

*SCAMPINI, MORTARA & HARRIS*

*Attorney*

1998 - 2001 (4 years)

Attorney representing corporations and individuals in a well-respected general law practice, including litigation and transaction matters.

**AFFILIATIONS/ VOLUNTEER EFFORTS**

Contra Costa County Superior Court Pro-Bono Mediation Services, Trial Lawyers Care, Inc., Lawyers in the Schools, San Francisco Rescue Mission, Teen Challenge USA, Pleasant Hill Baseball Association, Diablo FC Soccer Club

**ACTIVITIES AND INTERESTS**

Stand-up Comedy, Travel, Theater, Hiking and Outdoor Activities, Sports, Fine Dining

**STATEMENT**

Experienced attorney and mediator with a demonstrated history of working in the real estate and construction law fields. Adjunct Professor in one of the nation's top Moot Court and Legal Writing programs. Juris Doctor degree from the University of California, Hastings College of the Law.

**FEES:** \$350 per hour

**SERVICE AREAS**

Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Solano, and Sonoma. All other California counties for reimbursement of reasonable travel costs and a flat travel fee of \$175.00. Travel fee is waived for full day mediations.

Offers online mediation services.

**OFFICE LOCATION**

Offices in all Service Area Counties

**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.**