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**MEDIATION AREAS**

I have considerable experience litigating, and am available to mediate, in the following areas:

- Commercial Disputes
- Breach of Contract
- Personal Injury Claims
- Employment Disputes
- FLSA Cases
- Non-Compete Lawsuits
- Financial Services/Banking Issues
- Consumer Finance Cases  
(including TILA, FDCPA, FDUTPA, ECOA, FCRA, RESPA, TCPA, and FACTA)
- Class Actions
- Franchise Disputes
- Will/Probate Contests
- Construction Litigation
- Collection Matters
- HOA/Condo Assoc. Disputes
- Fiduciary Duty Claims
- Insurance Coverage Disputes
- Insurance Bad Faith Claims
- Real Estate Disputes
- Product Liability Lawsuits
- Fraud/Misrepresentation
- Business Partnership and Shareholder Disputes
- Breach of Warranty

**PROFESSIONAL LICENSES & ADMISSIONS**

Florida Bar (admitted May 1995)

United States Supreme Court

United States Courts of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, Third Circuit and Eleventh Circuit

United States District Courts for the Northern, Middle and Southern Districts of Florida, as well as certain other federal district courts



## **WORK HISTORY & EXPERIENCE**

Law Clerk, Hon. Howard T. Snyder, U.S. Magistrate Judge, United States District Court, Middle District of Florida, Jacksonville Division (1994-1996)

LeBoeuf Lamb Greene & MacRae, LLP (Commercial Litigation Associate)  
Jacksonville, Florida (1996-2000)

Represented clients in complex commercial litigation, mediations, arbitrations and class actions.

Akerman Senterfitt (Equity Shareholder)

Jacksonville, Florida (2000-2008)

Represented clients in complex commercial litigation, mediations, arbitrations and class actions.

Volpe Bajalia Wickes Rogerson & Wachs (Equity Shareholder)

Jacksonville, Florida (2008-2013)

Represented clients in complex commercial litigation, mediations, arbitrations and class actions.

The MLD Law Firm, P.A. (d/b/a Duncan Trial & Mediation) (Owner)

Jacksonville, Florida (2013-Present)

Represent clients in complex business and commercial litigation, mediations, arbitrations and high net worth divorces.

I have tried cases to judges and juries in Florida's state courts and in the United States District Courts for the Northern, Middle and Southern Districts of Florida.

I have represented clients before the United States Courts of Appeals for the Third, Eleventh and Federal Circuits, and in Florida's First, Third and Fifth District Courts of Appeal.

## **HONORS & CERTIFICATIONS**

Florida Supreme Court Certified Circuit Mediator

Certified Mediator, United States District Court, Middle District of Florida

AV<sup>®</sup> Preeminent rating by Martindale-Hubbell<sup>®</sup> (rating held since 2005)

AVVO rating of 10/10

Chester Bedell Chapter of the American Inn of Court (Master)

Million Dollar Advocates Forum



Multi-Million Dollar Advocates Forum  
Litigation Counsel of America (Senior Fellow)  
Florida Trend Legal Elite  
Leadership Jacksonville – Class of 2013  
Jacksonville Business Journal 40 Under 40

## **EDUCATION**

Rutgers University School of Law, J.D., 1994 (Dean's Scholar; Research Chair, Advanced Moot Court Board)  
Drexel University, B.S. in Commerce & Engineering, 1989

## **PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS**

Over the past 10 years, I have prepared and given presentations on the following:

- Class Action Litigation
- Mentoring
- Jury Selection and *Voir Dire*
- Jury Trial Strategies and Communication Skills
- Scientific Evidence and Expert Witness Testimony
- Accounting and Financial Records Evidence
- Bad Faith and Extra Contractual Obligations
- Common Business Litigation Issues
- Use and Admissibility of Social Media Evidence

## **MEDIATION FEES/CANCELLATION POLICY**

For mediations, I charge \$300 per hour for 2-party disputes, \$360 per hour for 3-party disputes, and \$400 per hour for 4-party disputes (fees for mediations for more than 4 parties available upon request), plus an administrative charge of \$125 per mediation. Minimum fee of 2 hours for cancellations within 72 hours of scheduled mediation.

## **FACILITIES**

My offices have ample conference room space to accommodate multiple parties. Convenient, validated parking in attached parking garage. Lunch provided for full-day mediations.