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MEDIATION PROFILE

When you employ me as a mediator I bring a wealth of experience and key strengths in:

- understanding
- attention to detail
- patience
- tenacity
- value for money

My background knowledge and experience

I have worked as a commercial litigator for over 20 years. I was a solicitor for 10 years, and was partner in a law firm for three years of those years. I became a barrister at the Victorian Bar in 2002.

For over 20 years I have been assisting businesses and individuals to resolve their commercial disputes. I understand the importance of personal relationships and of open and effective communication in business. I have been involved extensively in the franchise sector and have a deep understanding of the legal issues and the approach that Courts will take if a dispute is unable to be resolved.

I have been an Australian National Mediation Accreditation System accredited mediator since 2011. I have also represented many different individuals and businesses, large and small, at mediations throughout my legal career and appreciate the commercial realities and clients' needs.

Tertiary qualifications

Bachelor of Science (Honours) majoring in Genetics and Botany (University of Melbourne); Bachelor of Laws (Monash University); Master of Laws (University of Melbourne); Trade Mark Attorney

Areas of expertise

- Franchising and business law
- Trade practices, competition and consumer law
- Corporations, securities, banking and finance
- Trade marks, designs and patent law
- Copyright, moral rights, confidential information, information technology and privacy
- Partnership, property, contract and general commercial matters