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NEUTRAL BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Education: - J.D. cum laude, University of Minnesota, 1983

- B.A. summa cum laude, College of St. Benedict, 1980

Current: - Mediator, Arbitrator, Teacher, Trainer, Coach & Consultant

- Principal, McEvoy Conflict Management & Legal Education Consulting
- Qualified Neutral under Rule 114 of the Minnesota General Rules of Practice
- Adjunct Professor, Mitchell Hamline School of Law, 2017-present
- Volunteer Mediator: Community Mediation & Restorative Services
- Volunteer Mediator, Minnesota Department of Human Rights
- Board Member, Community Collaborative Law Initiative
- Executive Council Member, MSBA ADR Section
- Teacher and Trainer, Minnesota Continuing Legal Education

Previous: - Web Education Director, Minnesota Continuing Legal Education, 2009-2019

- Teacher and Trainer, Minnesota Continuing Legal Education
- Adjunct Professor, William Mitchell College of Law, 2008, 2009, 2015
- Arbitrator, Commercial/Employment Panels American Arbitration Association, 1994-2009
- USPS REDRESS Mediation Program Mediator, 2008
- Mediator, McEvov Mediation and Arbitration Services, 2005-2009
- Volunteer Mediator, Community Mediation Services, 2005-present
- Volunteer Mediator, Minneapolis Department of Civil Rights, 2009
- Volunteer Mediator, Minnesota Department of Human Rights, 2009
- Executive Council Member, MSBA ADR Section, 2006-2010

Foundational Mediation & Arbitration Training attended:

- **Mediation Skills Theory and Practice**, Dispute Resolution Institute, Hamline University Law School, St. Paul, MN, 1993 (30 hours) (qualified for Rule 114)
- AAA Basic and Advanced Arbitration Training Courses, Minneapolis, MN, 1994-2009
- **Community Bridge Mediation Training**, Community Mediation Services (nka Community Mediation and Restorative Services; fka North Hennepin Mediation Program, Inc.) 2004-2005 (15 hours)
- Advanced Mediator Training, Mediating Employment Issues, St. Olaf, Northfield, MN, December 9, 2005 (6 hours)
- **Transformative Mediation Principles and Practice Skills,** USPS REDRESS Program Mediator Training, St. Paul, MN, September 18-20, 2007 (20 hours)
- **Understanding and Responding to Organizational Conflict Training,** Mediation Center for Dispute Resolution, St. Paul, MN, May 11, 2007 (6 hours)
- Mediating Online Training: Mediating eCommerce, Property & Workplace Disputes, Mediate.com; Jim Melamed, Clare Fowler, Colin Rule, April 20-May 1, 2020 (online) (20 hours)

General ADR Training attended (selected):

- **Technology of Participation (ToP)**® **Facilitation Methods Course**, Stephanie Ahles, Institute of Cultural Affairs in the USA, St. Louis Park, MN, October 26-27, 2020 (12 hours)
- MN CLE Advanced Negotiation Training, Nina Meierding, September 17, 2020 (online) (6 hours)
- Facilitating Group Participation Blended E-Learning 7 Week Program, Laurie Dougherty, Certified ToP Facilitator and Qualified Trainer, Dougherty Inc., June 6-July 21 and July 22-September 9, 2020 (hybrid online both synchronous and asynchronous) (7 weeks x 2)
- Facilitating Dynamic Groups During COVID-19...Online, Donna Silverberg & Charles Wiggins, Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution, Pepperdine Caruso Law, Malibu CA, June 26, 2020 (online) (4 hours)
- The Strategic Negotiator, Minnesota CLE, Nina Meierding, June 2, 2020 (online) (6 hours)
- **Listening When It's Hard To Do**, CMRS & Community Mediation Baltimore, Erricka Wonder Voice Bridgeford, June 1, 2020 (online) (2 hours)
- MN CLE Annual ADR Institute, 1998, 2000-2001, 2003-2020
- Conflict Resolution Minnesota Annual Conferences, St. Paul, MN, 2005-2020 (various)
- **ABA Dispute Resolution Section Annual Conference,** Minneapolis, MN, 2019; Seattle, WA, 2015; New York, NY, April 2009
- ACR Annual Conference, Minneapolis, MN, October 2013; October 2005
- MN CLE Upper Midwest Annual Employment Law Institute, Negotiation/Mediation School, St. Paul, MN, May 2009
- MN CLE Annual ADR Institute: The Mediator's Guide to Negotiations, Pre-Institute Skills Training, Minneapolis, MN, October 18, 2007 (6 hours)
- Transformative Mediation Conference, St. Paul, MN, September 17-18, 2006
- International Academy of Collaborative Professionals 6th Annual Networking and Educational Forum, Atlanta, GA, October 28-30, 2005

ADR Courses taught:

Mitchell Hamline School of Law (and predecessor William Mitchell College of Law):

- **Facilitation** [online synchronous] 2021 (adjunct lead) (*upcoming*)
- **Mediation** [online] 2019-2021 (adjunct assistant) (2021 upcoming)
- **Negotiation** [online] 2020 (adjunct assistant)
- **Cross-Cultural Dispute Resolution** [online] 2018-2019 (adjunct assistant)
- **Organizational Conflict Management** [online] 2018 (adjunct assistant)
- **ADR Survey Course** [online] 2017-2018 (adjunct assistant)
- Alternative Dispute Resolution [ADR] Survey Course [in-person] (MN Rule 114 Certified Course, Civil Facilitative and Civil Adjudicative Rosters) 2008-2009; 2015 (adjunct lead)

Certified Civil Arbitration Skills Training, MN CLE, Planner and Co-Presenter (2017-2020)

Certified Civil Arbitration Skills Training, MN CLE, Arbitration Simulation Coach (2008-2016)

ADR Presentations given:

Mediation Topics

- "Mediation Ethics: Say What? 10 Surprises for Minnesota Mediators," MN CLE Webcast (January 27, 2021) (*upcoming*); Conflict Resolution Minnesota Annual Conference 2020 Healing the Divide (August 8, 2020)
- "Prepare, Prepare An Attorney's Guide to a More Productive Mediation," MN CLE Webcast with co-presenter Toni Newborn (December 18, 2020) (*upcoming*)
- "Mediation is Confidential, Right?" MN CLE Webcast (July 9, 2020); MN CLE 2020 Upper Midwest Employment Law Institute (Replay September 16, 2020); with co-presenter Linda Mealey-Lohman, MN CLE Webcast, MN CLE 2014 ADR Institute (October 2014) and MN CLE 2014 Upper Midwest Employment Law Institute (May 2014)
- "Mediation Ethics: Caucus Conundrums," with co-presenter Linda Mealey-Lohmann, MN CLE 2019 ADR Institute (October 2019); ABA Dispute Resolution Conference (April 2019)
- "An Introduction to Ethics for Minnesota Mediators," MN CLE Certified Civil Mediation Skills Training (2013-2019)
- "Review & Preview: Rule 114 Ethics," Conflict Resolution Minnesota Annual Conference (May 4, 2018)
- "Shifts in Mediation Practice: Understanding Your Evolution as a Mediator," moderator, MN CLE 2016 ADR Institute (October 28, 2016)
- "Mediation Ethics & Confidentiality," with co-presenter Linda Mealey-Lohmann, CMRS Mediation Training (October 19, 2016)
- "Mediation Confidentiality: Rules, Statutes and Ethical Standards," MN CLE 2015 ADR Institute (October 2015)
- "Mediation Ethics: Confidentiality in MN," with co-presenter Linda Mealey-Lohmann, Community Mediation & Restorative Services CLE (May 2015)
- "ADR: Debunking Mediation Myths," MN CLE Webcast, co-presenter with Nina Meierding and Linda Mealey-Lohmann (June 9, 2014)
- "Mediating in a Diverse Workplace," with co-presenter Linda Mealey-Lohmann, Association for Conflict Resolution National Conference (October 10, 2013)
- "Minnesota Mediator Conduct: Ethical Dilemmas for Mediators," Advanced Mediator Training: An Introduction to the Transformative Model, Twin Cities Mediation (June 2009; July 2008)

Arbitration Topics

- **"Ethics Issues for Arbitrators: Those Pesky Disclosures,"** Best Practices for Conducting Arbitrations, MN CLE (August 14, 2019 & July 21, 2016)
- "Ethics Issues for Advocates in Arbitration," Best Practices for Advocates in Arbitrations, MN CLE (August 14, 2019 & July 21, 2016)
- "Arbitrating Ethically: An Introduction," MN CLE Certified Civil Arbitration Skills Training (2017-2018; 2020)
- "The Female Arbitrator: Dearth and Opportunity," MN CLE Webcast, with co-presenters Madge Thorsen and Bernice Fields (February 14, 2008)

General ADR Topics

- "Understanding the Other ADR Processes: Evaluative & Adjudicative Processes," MN CLE Certified Civil Arbitration Skills Training (November 20, 2020); with co-presenter Linda Mealey-Lohmann (November 2017, 2018)
- "The Complete Lawyer: ADR Essentials," MN CLE Webcast with co-presenter Linda Mealey-Lohmann (July 12, 2016)

- "ADR: Navigating the Maze of Civil ADR Processes: Unpacking MN Rule 114," MN CLE Webcast, copresenter with Linda Mealey-Lohmann (April 3, 2014)
- "ADR Book Reports: Faculty Favorites, Old and New," moderator and panelist, MN CLE ADR Institute (October 2013)
- "ADR Processes in MN: Making the Most of our Smorgasbord of Options," with co-presenter Linda Mealey-Lohmann, MSBA ADR Section CLE (October 8, 2013)
- "Neutrals in the Hot Seat," with co-presenter Aimee R. Gourlay, MN CLE ADR Institute (October 2012)
- "Top 10 Mistakes You Don't Want to Make in ADR," with co-presenter Linda Mealey-Lohmann, MN CLE ADR Institute (October 2011)
- "Interactive ADR Ethics for Advocates and Neutrals," moderator, MN CLE Employment Law Institute (May 2011)
- **The Minnesota ADR Handbook Course**, co-planner and co-presenter with Gary A. Weissman and Linda Mealey-Lohmann, MN CLE (April 26, 2011)
- "ADR Book Club: *Predictably Irrational* and *How We Decide*," with co-presenter Aimee R. Gourlay, MN CLE ADR Institute (October 2010)
- "Keys to Ethical Mediation & Arbitration: An Ethics Session for Advocates and Neutrals," moderator, ADR Ethics Issues and Answers, MN CLE (April 15, 2010)
- "ADR Mini-Series: The Unrepresented Party," MN CLE Webcast, moderator (November 16, 2009)
- "Interactive Ethics: Resolving Ethical Dilemmas in ADR," moderator, MN CLE ADR Institute (October 2009)
- "The Unrepresented Party: Tips and Traps for Negotiators and Neutrals," MDLA 34th Annual Trial Techniques Seminar (August 14, 2009)
- "Keys to Ethical Mediation & Arbitration: An Ethics Session for Advocates and Neutrals," moderator, Negotiation & ADR: Ethics Issues and Answers, MN CLE (April 1, 2009)

Publications authored:

Books

 Minnesota ADR Handbook, with co-authors Gary Weissman and Linda Mealey-Lohmann (MN CLE 2011)

• Manuals and Legal QuickSheets

- o *Certified Civil Arbitration Skills Training Manual*, co- author and editor with Linda Mealey-Lohmann and Madge Thorsen (MN CLE 2017-2020)
- Mediation Confidentiality, MN CLE Legal QuickSheet, with co-author Linda Mealey-Lohmann (MN CLE 2015)

Articles

- "Mediation is Confidential, Right?," with co-author Linda Mealey-Lohmann, MN CLE Employment Law Institute (May 2014; updated July 2020)
- "Mediation Ethics: Confidentiality in MN, MINNESOTA REFERENCE GUIDE Key Rules & Statutes & Ethical Standards," co-author with Linda Mealey-Lohmann (MN CLE 2015)
- o "Confidentiality in ADR," MN CLE ADR Institute (October 2012)

Past Experience:

Arbitration: Arbitrator, American Arbitration Association, 1994 to 2009. As a sole or panel arbitrator, I have arbitrated a variety of commercial and employment disputes ranging in size from several thousand dollars to several million dollars, with hearings ranging from a single day to two weeks. Issues arbitrated include: employment disputes, age discrimination, independent sales representative issues, non-compete issues, breach of contract, fraud, shareholder issues, securities issues, and insurance.

Mediation: As a private and volunteer mediator, I have mediated over 100 disputes, including breach of contract, housing, employment, school issues, restorative justice, and neighbor to neighbor disputes. As a volunteer I have mediated discrimination claims for the City of Minneapolis and State of Minnesota. I have also mediated in the community, in housing court and conciliation court, in the schools, in restorative justice programs and online.

Collaborative Law: Member, Task Force to the Supreme Court Advisory Committee for Proposed Rule 114A of the Minnesota Rules of General Practice for the District Courts, concerning Collaborative Practice, 2005-2007.

Litigation: I was a litigation associate from 1983 to 1985 with O'Connor & Hannan and from 1985 to 1994 with Fruth & Anthony, P.A. As a litigator, I practiced in both federal and state courts, as well as handling matters before the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and Unemployment Compensation Appeals Board. Representative employment litigation includes: employment litigation matters such as age, race, sex, and disability discrimination and sexual harassment matters under state and federal civil rights laws; contract and tort claims, including non-competition clause issues and Pine River claims; ERISA matters; and unemployment compensation appeals. Other representative litigation includes: shareholder and partnership disputes, securities fraud claims, franchise and dealership disputes, negligence claims, contract disputes, personal injury, products liability claims, class actions, and environmental litigation.

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