



A. Michelle Jernigan Shareholder

In 1988, Michelle Jernigan was one of the first mediators to be certified by the Florida Supreme Court. Since launching her mediation career in 1987, Ms. Jernigan has mediated thousands of cases throughout Florida. As a pioneer in mediation, she served as a consultant to the state's Supreme Court as it established mediation mentorship rules. In 1997, Chief Justice Gerald Kogan appointed her to a four-year term on the Florida Supreme Court Mediation Training Review Board. Her service on the board continued through March 2013.

In her 31-year career as a mediator Ms. Jernigan has mediated multi-party, multi-district, complex commercial, employment and tort cases to successful conclusion. She also has experience as a FINRA arbitrator, serving as sole arbiter and as chair on three-panel arbitrations. Ms. Jernigan has also arbitrated consumer and commercial disputes. She has developed and implemented mediation training programs for Orlando Regional Healthcare Systems and Eckerd Corporation. Ms. Jernigan has trained hundreds of mediators in Florida, written numerous articles on mediation and is a recognized speaker in the field of ADR.

Professional Education and Qualifications

- J.D. Stetson University College of Law, 1981
- B.S. (Political Science) Stetson University, 1979
- Nova University, Post Graduate Studies / Psychology
- Florida Certified Circuit Civil Mediator*
- Florida Certified Family Mediator*
- Certified U.S. District Court Mediator, Middle District of Florida*
- Florida Certified 5th DCA Appellate Mediator*
- Florida Qualified Arbitrator (1992 to present)*
- FINRA Arbitrator (1999 to present)*
- Trained Family Collaborative Lawyer (2017)*
- Super Lawyers (2006, 2014, 2015)*

Memberships, Publications

- Newsletter Editor / Treasurer: ADR Section of The Florida Bar
- Member / Past Director: American College of Civil Trial Mediators
- Founding Member / Past Director / Past President: Florida Academy of Professional Mediators
- Author: "How Clients Think: The Brains Behind Decision Making", Orange County Bar Briefs (June, July, August 2014)
- Co-Author: "Ten Cornerstones of Effective Mediation Advocacy", Claims Magazine (February, March 2014)
- Co-Author: "The Mediator's Role in the Family Business" ACCTM Publication: American Journal of Mediation (Volume 2, 2008)
- Co-Author: "Mediation Proceedings" Chapter 8, Florida Dissolution of Marriage, (4th ed.1993)



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Areas of Practice

- Appellate Mediation
- Business Dissolutions
- Commercial Litigation
- Condominium Association Disputes
- Construction Litigation
- Consumer Disputes
- Employment
- ERISA
- Estates / Trusts
- Family Business
- Family Law
- Insurance Disputes
- Legal Malpractice
- Medical Malpractice
- Nursing Home
- Personal Injury
- Real Estate
- Securities
- Trademark/Copyright
- Wrongful Death