

Christopher Shulman is an alumnus of Stetson University College of Law, and spent the first approximately 10 years of his practice representing individuals, labor unions, and employers in connection with a variety of labor and employment law claims, as well as estate planning, probate, business, and personal injury matters. A 25+ year attorney, Chris is a member of the Florida Bar and is admitted to practice before the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit and the U.S. District Courts for the Middle and Southern Districts of Florida.



From 1995 to 2001, Chris mediated on and off, but, since January 2002, Chris has essentially limited his practice to service as a neutral dispute resolution professional; the only real client representation work he currently does is in the field of estate planning and probate. A Diplomate of the Florida Academy of Professional Mediators and a member of the Florida Circuit-Civil Mediator Society and the National Academy of Distinguished Neutrals, Chris Shulman is a certified Florida Circuit, Family, and County Court Mediator, a Federal Court Mediator and Arbitrator, and a Florida Courts Qualified Arbitrator. He also arbitrates cases for the American Arbitration Association (AAA), the American Health Lawyers Association (AHLA) Dispute Resolution Service, the Financial Industry Regulatory Agency (FINRA), and privately, including labor disputes through the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service. For eight years, he served as a Hillsborough County Childcare Licensing Hearing Officer and, over approximately the past four years, as a Wage Theft Special Magistrate for Pinellas County (and for the City of St. Petersburg, during that program's existence).

Between service as a mediator, arbitrator, hearing officer, and federal-sector EEO complaint adjudicator, Chris has resolved or, in the case of mediation, helped the parties resolve more than 5,500 matters. Chris served two four-year terms on the Florida Supreme Court's Mediator Ethics Advisory Committee, and is currently a member of the Florida Supreme Court's ADR Rules and Policy Committee and the Court's Mediator Qualifications and Disciplinary Review Board (where he serves as the Chair of the Qualifications Inquiry Committee). He has served as co-chair of the Hillsborough County Bar Association ADR Committee. An approved Primary Circuit Civil and County Mediator Trainer, and a Florida Court-Appointed Arbitrator Trainer, Chris is also an Adjunct Professor at Stetson University College of Law, teaching Negotiation and Mediation and law student Mediator Training classes.

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