

Paul Kirtley Alternative Dispute Resolution CV

Overview

- Paul is an accredited Civil and Commercial and Workplace Mediator, having Mediated in over 50 Mediations.
- He is recognised as one of the leading names in the Mediation market.
- He regularly Mediates in a wide range of disputes, including Commercial; Employment including Race and Sex Discrimination; Public Sector; Solicitors and Valuers' Negligence Claims; Medical Negligence and Personal Injury Claims, Probate, Trusts, Property and Boundary Disputes.
- Paul has developed a busy offshore Mediation practice, particularly in the Isle of Man, where he has successfully Mediated a number of high value claims.
- Renowned for his personable and down to earth manner, Paul has the ability to communicate effectively with both the legal and lay parties. His judicial experience sitting as a Recorder augments both an analytical and facilitative approach.
- Adept at building trust with the parties, Paul challenges preconceptions in a non-confrontational manner and remains focused on achieving a resolution. His track record speaks for itself.
- Easy to talk to and level-headed, he is always willing to go the extra mile, excelling in challenging cases and making complicated issues sound simple. He quickly gets to the crux of the matter and is comfortable handling disputes with a high emotional content.
- Paul regularly provides training on Mediation.

Recommendations

"He's very good in writing, amiable and good with clients."

Chambers & Partners 2016

"The way Paul dealt with the matter was extremely valuable and enabled a protracted situation, which would only have become more expensive and more entrenched with time, to be resolved in a day and on a basis that all found acceptable. Thanks again."

Andrew Bridson, Director, BridsonHalsall Advocates Limited

"His no-nonsense attitude makes him a firm favourite with clients"

Legal 500 2015

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"This is not the first mediation I have been involved in but it is the first mediation where I have genuinely seen and appreciated the real point of mediations and the delicate and highly valuable role of the mediator himself. We would not have settled these matters without Paul's help."

Jenny Holt, Group Legal Director and In-House Counsel at Knox Group plc.

"I worked with Paul Kirtley recently in relation to a particularly tricky and long-running legal dispute. The parties opted to attempt to resolve matters by way of mediation for various reasons but there was some reservation as to whether this would be successful in view of the sensitivities of the case and also due to how far apart the parties appeared to be in terms of quantum"

"Paul was not only professional and efficient but he handled the mediation in a manner which was entirely appropriate for the particular case in question, which was fundamentally important due to the sensitivities involved in this matter. Ultimately the mediation was successful and both parties were very happy with the outcome.

"I would not hesitate in engaging Paul again and have already recommended him to one of my colleagues."

Caren Hyde, Counsel, Appleby (Isle of Man)

Paul regularly appears as a leader in his field in the list of Expert Advisors, Chambers Guide and the Legal 500 publications.

Cases

Paul has a successful track record as a mediator in a wide range of disputes, including:

- Commercial
- Employment, including race and sex discrimination
- Medical Negligence
- Personal Injury
- Public Sector
- Private Client
- Solicitors and Valuers' Negligence

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Memberships

- Personal Injury Bar Association, Employment Law Bar Association, Professional Negligence Bar Association, Employment Lawyers Association, Industrial Law Society.
- For 10 years, North Eastern Circuit Representative on the General Council of the Bar.
- Former Vice Chair Public Affairs Committee and Remuneration Committee of the Bar Council.
- Accredited Advocacy Trainer (North Eastern Circuit).
- Chairman of the Bar Conference 2006.
- Former Chair of National Charity, 'Dreams Come True', engaged in realising the treasured dreams of terminally and seriously ill children.

Education

MA (Cantab). Downing College, Cambridge.
Recorder (1999) sitting in civil, crime and private family work.
Accredited Civil and Commercial Mediator (2004)
Accredited Workplace Mediator (2014).

Beyond the Bar

Paul is a vehicular and classic car enthusiast and holds an International Rally Drivers Licence and Heavy Goods Vehicle and PSV licences. He also enjoys hill walking and skiing, at least before his recent knee operation!

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