# **Mediator Profile**



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Employment Information: Law Office of Sarah C. Yerger, 2021-present; Counsel, Barley Snyder, 2019-2021; Principal, Post & Schell, P.C., 20132019; Senior Deputy Attorney General, OAG, Civil Litigation Section, 1999-2013, Assistant Counsel, Pa Department of Labor & Industry. 1992-1999.

**Mediator Experience:** As an attorney for the Commonwealth, I have represented parties in approximately 50 mediations over the past 20 years in employment cases, labor issues, and civil rights. After acting as mediator for the Commonwealth's mediation program, I attended the Middle District of Pennsylvania's formal mediation training in 2013, became a certified mediator and have successfully mediated disputes involving employment, breach of contract and civil rights issues.

**Mediation Advocacy:** Experienced trial litigator specializing in labor and employment litigation and commercial disputes in both federal and state courts. As noted above, I have extensive experience as a party advocate in mediation.

#### **Certifications:**

Certified mediator for the United States District Court, Middle District of Pennsylvania Panel Mediator for Dauphin County Bar Association Mediation Program

### **Training:**

Advanced Mediation Skills- MDPA – April 23, 2008

Mediating the Settlement of Monetary Disputes- FBA MDPA-April 22, 2010

Success in Mediation- OGC – October 13, 2010

Mediation Training- MDPA – January 25-26, February 1, 2013

Advanced Mediation Training- MDPA – November 1, 2013

MDPA Mediation Conference- MDPA – September 18-19, 2014

AAA Arbitrator/Mediator Training Course October 2021

### **Education:**

Widener University School of Law (J.D., cum laude 1993)
Juniata College (B.A. Spanish/Pre-Law, Dean's List all semesters, 1990)
University of Barcelona (1988-89 Study Abroad Program)

## **Professional Associations:**

Pennsylvania Bar Association (Civil Litigation Section, Government Lawyers Committee, Commission on Women in the Profession, Past Co-Chair)

James S. Bowman, American Inn of Court (Past President and Master Member)

Lipsitt American Inn of Court (Barrister Member)

Federal Bar Association, Middle District of Pennsylvania Chapter (Chapter President, Labor & Employment Section)

United States Middle District of Pennsylvania Lawyers Advisory Committee

United States Middle District of Pennsylvania, Certified Mediator

American Bar Association

**Compensation:** \$350/hour. Hourly rate charged for all time associated with engagement, including pre-mediation telephone conference with attorneys, preparation, session time and travel time

**Mediation Style:** Facilitative style- As a mediator, I will act as an impartial third party to encourage communication and negotiation between the parties with the goal of reaching mutually satisfied agreements. I will help parties define and clarify issues, understand different perspectives, identify interests and explore, assess possible solutions to difficult issues.

Mediation Types: Employment, Contract, Commercial

<sup>\*</sup>All information listed herein is provided by the mediator.