

Association of Attorney-Mediators Presents its Advanced Attorney-Mediator Training & Annual Meeting

"Chartering New Frontiers: Exploring AI in Mediation"

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SPEAKERS AND PANELISTS BIOS



Susan Guthrie, nationally recognized as one of the Top Family Law and Mediation Attorneys in the United States, helped individuals and families navigate separation and divorce for 32 years. No longer in active practice, Susan recently partnered with mediation legend, Forrest "Woody" Mosten, to create the Mosten Guthrie Academy to provide cutting edge gold-standard trainings for attorneys, mediators and other professionals. As a leading dispute resolution professional, Susan is honored to serve as the Chair Elect of the ABA Section of Dispute Resolution and looks forward to chairing the Section in the coming bar year. Susan is an internationally respected expert in online mediation and the use of AI in law and dispute resolution and has been training colleagues and other professionals in the practical and ethical considerations of integrating technology

in their practice with her innovative programs and webinars for more than two years. To date, almost 25,000 dispute resolution professionals have benefited from her program and she has trained mediators in countries all around the world including programs for the American Bar Association (ABA), the Alternative Dispute Resolution Institute of Canada (ADRIC), and the National Association of Distinguished Neutrals (NADN) among others. Susan was awarded the prestigious L. Randolph Lowry Award from the Southern California Mediation Association for 2020 which is presented to a member of the dispute resolution community who has honored and inspired us through their passion and dedication to education in the field of dispute resolution. In addition, Susan was named to the Executive Committee of the Online Mediation Training Task Force, created to make recommendations regarding standards and practices in the field. Susan is also the award-winning creator and host of two popular podcasts, the Top 1% podcast, The Divorce & Beyond® Podcast and The Make Money Mediating Podcast, both available on all major podcast outlets and in video format on YouTube. Susan's podcast have over 5 million streams to date and counting!

Gary Fowler mediates and arbitrates matters based on his 30 years of national experience in labor and employment, equity compensation, ERISA, commercial litigation, insurance, media, defamation, and related matters. He is a frequent speaker in mediation and arbitration and performs pro bono mediations through the Dallas County Dispute Resolution Center and other organizations. Gary Fowler mediates and arbitrates matters through JAMS based on his 30 years of national experience in labor and employment, equity compensation, ERISA, commercial litigation, insurance, media, defamation, and related matters. He is a fellow of the College of Labor and Employment Lawyers and is Board Certified in Labor and Employment Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization. He is a frequent speaker in mediation and arbitration and performs pro bono mediations through the Dallas County Dispute Resolution Center and other organizations.





Sidney Kanazawa is a mediator/arbitrator who listens and brings parties together through their own separate stories. It starts with listening. In the largest oil spill in the Port of Los Angeles, Sid and his team quelled an angry mob and settled 600 claims within two weeks of the spill (and all 2,000+ within three months). In an industrial silo death (amid rocky labor relations), Sid brought union and management together to vastly improve safety which led to the resolution of all civil, OSHA, and criminal actions before claims and charges were even formulated. In multiple trials that colleagues thought he could never win, Sid persuaded juries and judges to find in his clients' favor. Now, as a mediator/arbitrator, he brings hateful enemies together in peace in nearly all the cases before him. In each instance, it begins with listening. (Continued on next page)

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For Sid, teaching, leading, and persuading requires identification with his audience. This includes his past leadership at the California State Bar, ABA, ALI, JABA, NAPABA, and at public schools in Hawaii. It also includes his current leadership as Chair of the Board of Trustees for a historic community association in Hawaii, as a Southern California Mediation Association (SCMA) Board Member in charge of SCMA's Professional Development Groups (PDGs), as a National Institute for Trial Advocacy (NITA) program director, and as a frequent author and speaker for various audiences, including the Litigation Counsel of America (LCA). Sid is a 2020 SCMA President's Award Co-Winner, a 2021 USC Asian Pacific Alumni Leadership Awardee, a 2022 LCA Distinguished Guest Speaker, a 2023 California Lawyer's Association ADR panel delegate in Japan (Osaka, Kyoto, Tokyo, Yokohama), and a 2023 SCMA Master Class presenter on "How Stories Change Minds." In 2019, Sid became a full-time mediator with ARC (Alternative Resolution Centers), a part-time mediator with DPR (Dispute Prevention and Resolution in Hawaii), and, in 2023, was selected for the first incubator cohort of the Academy of Court Appointed Neutrals (ACAN). When the pandemic hit, in less than a week, Sid turned to online mediations and settled more than 100 cases locally, nationally, and internationally. Sid is a graduate of the University of Hawaii (B.Ed.) and the University of Southern California (USC) Gould School of Law (J.D.) and is licensed to practice law in California and Hawaii.

Cecilia H. Morgan, Esq., JAMS Mediator and Arbitrator, is adept at reconciling the irreconcilable, a master of delivery of unfortunate facts and a highly sought after neutral. Her cases are often hotly contested, highly emotional, multi-party matters pending in multiple courts. Known for her follow-up and closure, she understands the unspoken; one client describes her as a "tireless worker who intuitively knows when and how to apply pressure to obtain the deal." She has conducted more than 3,000 mediation sessions of civil cases and arbitrated over 1000 cases throughout Texas and 31 other states; she also remediates cases on a regular basis. Ms. Morgan was named one of Texas' Best Alternative Dispute Resolution Lawyers by The Best Lawyers in America in 2008 through 2024. Ms. Morgan also has 40+ years of experience as an attorney and ADR professional and is a respected member of the JAMS employment, energy, health care, and financial services practice groups. A former commercial litigator, Ms. Morgan has tried and argued cases from the



trial courts to the Texas Supreme Court, the 5th Circuit, and the U.S. Supreme Court. J.D., Texas Tech University School of Law; B.A., (Mass Communications), Abilene Christian University.



Peter Reilly is Professor of Law and associate director of the Aggie Dispute Resolution program at Texas A&M University School of Law. He teaches Professional Responsibility, Torts, ADR, and various Negotiation courses. Professor Reilly also works as a pro bono consultant to a team of lawyers representing fifteen families who lost loved ones in the Boeing 737 MAX airline crashes of 2018 and 2019. Prior to entering academia, Reilly was attorney-advisor within the Office of General Counsel at the United States Commission on Civil Rights in Washington, D.C. The Commission, which is an independent, bipartisan fact-finding agency of the executive branch, conducts civil rights investigations in areas such as voting rights and allegations of police misconduct. Professor Reilly's

scholarship focuses generally in the area of dispute resolution, with a strong interest in deferred prosecution, ethics, emotional intelligence, and theories of influence and persuasion within the context of mediation and negotiation. In 2014, Reilly received the Dean's Scholarship Award, recognizing faculty members who demonstrate "steadfast commitment and contribution to legal scholarship." Professor Reilly earned a B.A. from Princeton University, J.D. from Harvard Law School, and LL.M. from Georgetown University Law Center, where he spent three years as a Hewlett Fellow in Conflict Resolution and Legal Problem-Solving.