

Christopher Nolland has been a mediator and arbitrator since 1993. He has conducted over 2,600 mediations and numerous arbitrations, primarily in complex business and commercial matters and fiduciary litigation. Mr. Nolland's mediation and arbitration practice focuses on large, complex, multifaceted disputes. His mediation and arbitration practice is national in scope.



Mr. Nolland is an Adjunct Professor of Law at SMU Law School and for the past twenty-four years has taught a full semester course on Negotiation to 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> year law students and LLM candidates.

After law school, Mr. Nolland served as an appellate law clerk and thereafter practiced law in New York City with a major national firm and in New York City and Dallas, Texas as a partner with a well-known national business litigation firm. Mr. Nolland is admitted to practice in Texas and New York and numerous United States Courts of Appeal and United States District Courts, as well as the United States Supreme Court.

Mr. Nolland is a member of the American College of Civil Trial Mediators, the National Academy of Distinguished Neutrals, the Association of Attorney Mediators, and the ADR and Litigation sections of National, State and Local Bar Associations. Mr. Nolland has been repeatedly selected as one of the leading attorneys in Dallas and in Texas by Super Lawyers and Texas Monthly (most recently, in 2020, as one of the Top 100 Lawyers in Texas), by D Magazine in their annual and bi-annual surveys, and by US News and World Report in its annual selection of the Best Lawyers in America.

In addition to his mediation practice, over the past 20 years Mr. Nolland has established a national practice as Special Settlement Counsel, acting as the primary negotiator for one party ***in a non-neutral role***. Nolland has been engaged as Special Settlement Counsel in over 100 significant matters, primarily complex business and significant fiduciary disputes, including major trust and probate litigation, director and officer litigation, professional liability, and partnership and closely held business litigation, as well as significant insolvency and litigation trustee matters. His Settlement Counsel practice has been the subject of numerous articles in leading legal and business publications

In 2016, Mr. Nolland was named as a National ADR Champion by *The National Law Journal* and was the recipient of the Steve Brutsché Award from the national Association of Attorney Mediators (it's highest honor). In 2018, he received the Justice Frank Evans Award from the ADR Section of the State Bar of Texas for excellence in the field of Alternate Dispute Resolution. He was named by *Chambers* as a leading Nationwide Mediator in 2017, 2018, 2019, and 2020. In 2019 *Texas Lawyer* named Mr. Nolland a Texas Trailblazer for his creation of a new legal practice area - acting as Special Settlement Counsel to clients in major litigation.

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