

Philip Hesketh : Mediator CV



I have been helping people resolve disputes for over 20 years, initially as a litigation solicitor and now as a full time commercial mediator. I enjoy mediating and helping parties find a way to settle even the most intractable claims. This is how I typically serve my clients:

Selecting the right cases :

I offer advice to help clients avoid mediating cases too early or mediating where other methods of dispute resolution are more appropriate.

Pre-mediation :

I do not insist upon enormous amounts of time-consuming document drafting and preparation from instructing solicitors and insurers. Instead I focus on speaking to the representatives to gather the information needed for an efficient and successful mediation. I make myself available to the parties for whom mediation may be a new experience.

Mediation settlement meetings :

I like parties to be as relaxed as possible at mediations within a professional and businesslike environment. I am focussed on settlement whilst appreciating it is important for all sides to recognise that occasionally you do need to walk away. I tailor the process of each mediation to suit the representatives, the parties and the nature of the dispute.

Post mediation :

In cases which have not settled I am committed to staying in touch with the participants and offering my services to see if it can be resolved at a later date.

I have helped clients with a wide range of claims including:
multi-party catastrophic injury; partnership dissolutions;
commercial contracts; credit hire; international copyright;
boundary & rights of way; family wills.

More about me :

I studied law at Leicester University, graduating in 1988, and completed my Solicitors' Final Examination at the College of Law in Chester in 1989. I was admitted as a solicitor in 1991. I practised predominantly as a personal injury solicitor at Thompsons (Liverpool & Manchester), Russell Jones & Walker (Manchester) and Clarkson Hirst (Lancaster).

I trained as a Civil & Commercial Mediator with the ADR Group in 2006 and became a full time mediator in 2008.

I am interested in technological solutions to dispute resolution and am involved in developing on-line dispute resolution schemes. I mediate occasionally as a volunteer for the legal charity LawWorks.

My writing :

In addition to my regular mediation blog I have written for : APIL's *PI Focus*, *Local Government Lawyer*, *Association of HM District Judges Law Bulletin*, *Personal Injury Brief Update Law Journal*, *ACLD Costs Lawyer Magazine*, *The Law Society's Resolution* and *Butterworths Personal Injury Law Newsletter*.

Memberships :

I am a member of the following mediation organisations :
Mediation Cumbria, Association of Northern Mediators, Effective Dispute Solutions Ltd., Trust Mediation Ltd.

Further information :

I would welcome the opportunity to talk to you about how I may be able to help you and your clients. Please call me on **0844 879 3166** or email me at **info@expediteresolution.com**.