



# SCHNEIDER MEDIATION

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Hon. Barry C. Schneider, (Ret.)

Judge Barry C. Schneider (Ret.) began Schneider Mediation after retiring from the Maricopa County Superior Court. He served on the Court for 21 years from 1986 to 2007. From his first assignment on the civil department through his tenure as civil presiding judge, he took an active leadership role in establishing ADR as part of the legal culture in this community. He was part of the initial pilot project where he conducted hundreds of settlement conferences in all types of civil cases, i.e., medical and ordinary negligence, products liability, and commercial. That project led to the adoption first of a local and then a statewide rule of procedure requiring mandatory settlement conferences. He also provided early leadership in the promotion and development of summary jury trials in Maricopa County, leading to the adoption of the highly successful short trial program in Maricopa County. Judge Schneider published articles in the ABA publication *Litigation* describing his experiences.

While on the bench Judge Schneider served on the civil department (presiding on 2 occasions), the criminal department and the family court department (presiding once).

Before his appointment to the bench he was an associate at Langerman, Begam, Lewis, Leonard & Marks and then a partner at Rosen & Schneider, Ltd.

Judge Schneider has received the following recognition:

- 2008 State Bar of Arizona James A. Walsh Outstanding Jurist Award “To that Judge who exemplifies the highest standards of judicial conduct for integrity and independence; who is knowledgeable of the law and faithful to it, who is unswayed by partisan interests, public claims or fear of criticism; who is patient, dignified and courteous to all who appear before the Court; and who endeavors to improve the administration of justice and public understanding of, and respect for, the role of law in our society.”
- 2008 Binghamton University’s Distinguished Alumnus Award for Public Service in recognition that Judge Schneider has “worked to better equip jurors, make the courtroom a place for learning, and better connect the legal process with those who play integral roles within it.”
- 2002 State Bar of Arizona President’s Award given, at the discretion of the President of the State Bar of Arizona to one “who has contributed enormous effort towards the furtherance of the president’s goals and priorities...”
- 2002 American Board of Trial Advocates (local chapter) Judicial Officer of the Year Award.
- 1997 Maricopa County Bar Association Henry S. Stevens Award as the Outstanding Judge for 1997.

Judge Schneider contributed to the court and the legal community by serving on the following:

- Dispute Resolution Task Force of the Commission on the Courts
- Adjunct Professor at Phoenix School of Law and Sandra Day O'Connor School of Law (ASU)
- Faculty at Arizona College of Trial Advocacy and Arizona Judicial College
- State Bar of Arizona Consumer Protection Committee (Chair)
- State Bar of Arizona Unauthorized Practice of Law Advisory Committee (Chair)
- State Bar of Arizona Civil Jury Instruction Committee
- State Bar of Arizona Civil Practice and Procedure Committee
- State Bar of Arizona ADR Executive Council
- Maricopa County Bar Association Bench/Bar Committee (Chair)
- Maricopa County Bar Foundation Board of Directors
- Judicial Ethics Advisory Committee
- Arizona Supreme Court Committee on the Superior Court (Chair)
- Arizona Judicial Council
- Arizona Supreme Court Committee on More Effective Use of Juries
- Arizona Supreme Court Committee on Criminal Justice
- Arizona Supreme Court Committee to Study Family Issues in the Courts (Chair)
- State-Federal Judicial Council
- Child Support Coordinating Council
- Domestic Relations Reform Subcommittee.
- Horace Rumble Inn of Court Founding Member

Judge Schneider received his B.A. from Harpur College (now Binghamton University) in 1964 and his J.D. from St. John's University School of Law in 1968 where he was an editor on the law review. He was admitted to practice in New York in 1968 and in Arizona in 1972.