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*"This complicated multi-party case settled because of the excellent work of Bruce Edwards, the best mediator I have ever had the pleasure to work with"- Partner at National Law Firm*

*Recognized as "San Francisco Mediation Lawyer of the Year," Best Lawyers in America, 2014*

*Recognized as a Best Lawyer, Alternative Dispute Resolution Category, Best Lawyers in America, 2006-2014*

*Recognized as Top California Neutral,*

#### **Bruce A. Edwards, Esq.**

Construction

One of JAMS founding partners, Mr. Edwards has served as a mediator, arbitrator, and special master since 1986. He is frequently called upon to handle large-scale construction disputes, engineering and infrastructure disputes, mechanics lien claims, and delay claims around the country. He has successfully resolved large commercial and public works projects involving hundreds of millions of dollars.

Mr. Edwards has mediated and arbitrated over 4,500 cases nationwide primarily focusing on large construction disputes and questions of breach of contract, defect, cost overrun, delay/disruption, and insurance issues – including OCIP, CCIP, and wrap policies – as well as indemnity, coverage, and overlapping coverage. He has successfully resolved and arbitrated numerous commercial and public works projects and construction disputes involving state office buildings, airport parking structures, high-rise resort hotels and condominiums, dams, public housing projects, municipal sports stadiums, and federal highway projects.

#### **Construction Conferences**

- Moderator: MC<sup>2</sup> Semi-Annual Construction Conference in Nevada and Florida
- Speaker: Construction SuperConference; West Coast Casualty Construction Conference; DRI, Construction Conference; American Bar Association; ADR Subcommittee Annual Conference

#### **Representative Matters**

- Mediated dispute between prime contractor and sub-contractors, including insurance carriers and governmental entities regarding delayed construction of Travis Air Force Base Officers' Quarters due to various construction defects and plumbing leaks
- Mediated disputes regarding breach of contract/delay claims followed by counter claims for construction defect involving numerous prime and sub-contractors on such projects as:
  - Sawyer State Office Building in Law Vegas, Nevada
  - Lied Library at University of Nevada at Las Vegas
  - U.S. Veterans Retirement Center in Las Vegas, Nevada
  - McCarran Airport Parking Garage, Las Vegas, Nevada
- Mediated multiple class actions involving defective aluminum window and door products involving over 200,000 single-family homes in California
- Mediated to resolution breach of contract claim and delay claims between prime contractor and governmental entities regarding construction of waste treatment facility
- Mediated to settlement dispute between owner of a public housing project and prime/sub-contractors over failed publicly funded retrofit in San Francisco, California
- Successfully mediated class action with infrastructure issues related to underground plumbing leaks in 3,800 single-family homes in Las Vegas, Nevada resulting in a \$21.5 million settlement
- Successfully mediated dispute regarding construction of Nevada state water retention pond with polymer lining for breach of contract and counter claims for defective workmanship
- Successfully mediated infrastructure dispute regarding installation and subsequent collapse of Sony Jumbotron scoreboard at Anaheim Stadium
- Successfully mediated initial complex high-rise hotel/condominium project disputes in

Las Vegas

- Successfully resolved dispute between general contractor and Georgia State Department of Transportation regarding breach of contract over construction of 50 mile beltway (280) circumventing City of Atlanta
- Successfully settled breach of contract claim between U.S. Dept. of Transportation and prime contractor regarding construction of 17 miles of new federal highway north of Albuquerque, New Mexico

#### **Honors, Memberships, and Professional Activities**

- Recognized as a leading practitioner, Alternative Dispute Resolution Category, *Who's Who Legal: California*, 2014-2015
- Recognized as "San Francisco Mediation Lawyer of the Year," *Best Lawyers in America*, 2014
- Recognized as a "Best Lawyer, Alternative Dispute Resolution Category," *Best Lawyers in America*, 2006-2015
- Recognized as Top California Neutral, *Daily Journal*, 2011-2013
- Recipient, Jerrold S. Oliver Award of Excellence presented at West Coast Casualty Construction Conference for outstanding contribution to the construction community, 2007
- Member, American Bar Association Section of Dispute Resolution
- Presenter, [Private Commercial Mediation Conclave](#), Bangalore, India, 2015
- Adjunct Professor, Advanced Mediation, Mediation Process Design, and Ethics in Mediation, Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution, Pepperdine University School of Law in California, Vermont, Hawaii, (1994-Present)
- Adjunct Professor, Partnering, and Construction Mediation, Summer School on Business Mediation, Admont, Austria (2002-Present)
- "[A Neutral Pioneer](#)," ADR Profile, *Daily Journal*, June 6, 2011

#### **Background and Education**

- Chief Mediator and Executive Vice President, JAMS/Endispute, 1999
- Co-Founder, Bates Edwards Group, 1991
- Litigation Partner, Sedgwick, Detert, Moran & Arnold, San Francisco, CA, 1981-1991
- J. D., Hastings College of Law, 1981
- B.A., Psychology, University of California, Davis, 1978

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