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Ms. Coleman offers dispute resolution services including mediation, early neutral evaluation, and arbitration. Her work in legal professional ethics includes counseling, representation in misconduct investigations and grievance proceedings, and expert witness services.

### **Bar Admissions**

Admitted to Ohio Bar; Sixth and Federal Circuits; the Supreme Court of the United States.

### **Professional Background**

Hahn Loeser & Parks LLP, 1976 to 2013.

Ms. Coleman was the first woman partner of Hahn Loeser, and served as firm Ethics Partner. Her litigation and counseling practice focused on antitrust, intellectual property and technology issues. She handled complex cases in these fields, as well as insurance disputes, bankruptcy adversary proceedings, public law cases, and other commercial and business cases.

### **Neutral Panel Membership**

American Arbitration Association Commercial, Large Case Commercial and Technology Panels.

CPR International Institute for Conflict Prevention & Resolution, General Commercial Panel.

Cuyahoga County Business Mediation Panel.

Federal Court Panel, Northern District of Ohio.

### **Professional Recognition**

Mediator certified by International Mediation Institute.

Fellow of the College of Commercial Arbitrators ([www.CCAarbitration.org](http://www.CCAarbitration.org)).

Silicon Valley Arbitration and Mediation Center Tech List ([www.SVAMC.org](http://www.SVAMC.org)).

*The Best Lawyers in America*, since 2008. "Lawyer of the Year– Arbitration", 2014.

*Ohio Super Lawyers*, since 2004.

American Bar Association Pro Bono Publico Award, 2018.

John C. & Virginia Elam Award for Pro Bono Work, Ohio State Bar Association, 2013.

Hon. William K. Thomas Professionalism Award, Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Ass'n, 2007.

"Cleveland's Most Influential Women," *Crain's Cleveland Business*, 1997.

AV® Preeminent Rated, Martindale-Hubbell.

### **Professional Associations and Service**

American Bar Association: Chair, ABA Standing Committee on Ethics and Professional Responsibility (1997-1998), Member (1993-1998); Antitrust Section (through 2013); Dispute Resolution Section; Litigation Section; Center for Professional Responsibility; Editor in Chief, *Conflict Management* (2002-04).

Association of Professional Responsibility Lawyers.

Ohio Supreme Court Task Force on Rules of Professional Conduct: Member, 2003-06.

Ohio State Bar Association.

Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association: Member, Board of Trustees (2007-2008); Chair, ADR Section (2010-11), member (2000-present); Chair, Judicial Selection Committee (2007), member (2000-present); Chair, Professional Ethics Committee (1993-94), member (1986-present); Court Rules Committee (2009-present).

Judicial Candidates Rating Coalition: Co-founder and Chair 2008-2019.

### **Presentations and Publications**

Ms. Coleman often speaks at local, state and national programs for lawyers on various topics including Ethics, Professionalism, Litigation, Mediation, and Arbitration. She has been a guest lecturer at Case Western Reserve University Law School and Cleveland-Marshall School of Law, and for various trade and business associations. She has been an adjunct instructor at Cleveland-Marshall School of Law.

Ms. Coleman's publications include articles in bar association journals and newsletters, and "Antitrust Issues in the Litigation and Settlement of Infringement Cases," *Akron Law Review*, Vol. 37, No. 2 (2004). She contributed to the College of Commercial Arbitrators' *Guide to Best Practices in Commercial Arbitration* (4<sup>th</sup> ed.).

### **Education**

Harvard Law School, J.D., 1976.

Harvard University, A.B., *magna cum laude* 1973.

Born in Chicago, Illinois. Grew up in Charlotte, North Carolina.