

Frederick P. (Rick) Alimonti Mediator/Arbitrator



Frederick P. Alimonti is a mediator, arbitrator, and litigator. He has been an active member of the Mediation Panel for the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York since 2011.

He launched Alimonti Mediation Services in 2016, based in Valhalla, NY. He was an inaugural member of the Mediation Advisory Committee for the Southern District. His mediation practice emphasizes personal injury, motor vehicle accidents, employment discrimination, aviation claims, and insurance coverage.

He is the founding partner of Alimonti Law Offices PC, and his law defense practice emphasizes airline passenger claims, general aviation claims, product liability, premises liability, and insurance coverage. Rick is admitted to practice in New York, the New York Federal Courts for the Eastern, Southern, and Northern Districts, and the U.S Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit.

Rick is proud to have been appointed as the Chair for the ABA (American Bar Association) TIPS Dispute Resolution Committee for the 2023-24 term. He is also a three-time past co-chair of the American Bar Association's (Litigation Section) Committee on Aviation Litigation and has held various leadership positions within the ABA TIPS and Litigation Sections over two decades.

Rick is an active private pilot and frequently lectures on aviation law, mediation ethics, and mediation advocacy. His numerous published articles, include "How Being a Mediator Has Changed How I Advocate in Mediation . . . [And Visa-Versa]" (ABA TIPS, Summer 2023), and "Confrontation in Mediation: Making Your Case in Mediation Without Alienating" (ABA TIPS 2022). Rick's live and virtual Continuing Legal Education (CLE) presentations on legal ethics, mediation advocacy, mediation ethics, and legal writing have been enthusiastically received by the American Bar Association, other bar organizations, and the American Board of Trial Advocates, to name a few.

Rick takes an intensive, low volume/highly focused approach to his mediation. He reviews submissions well before the mediation, engages in extensive pre-mediation caucuses, and continues to confer beyond the mediation when appropriate. He believes that Mediator evaluation is an important part of the process. "Don't hire a Mediator and settle for a calculator," is one his many "Rickisms." This approach has been well-received and is often cited by mediation clients as their main reason for continuing to bring their disputes to Rick and what distinguishes him from others.

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