JAY ZELESKEY

After growing up in Lufkin, Texas, Jay attended The University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee where he graduated with a B.A. in English. He then returned to Texas to earn his J.D. from St. Mary's School of Law. Jay practiced law as a trial attorney with Bailey & Williams and McCauley, Macdonald, Love & Devin before starting his mediation practice in 1997. He has completed over 500 hours in mediation training and frequently speaks and writes on mediation advocacy and conflict resolution. Jay has also served as the chairman of the Dallas Bar Association's ADR Section and on the board of the State Bar of Texas ADR Section. He currently serves as the treasurer for the Association of Attorney-Mediators. When he's not mediating, Jay can be found on the golf course or spending time with his wife, Tracy and their three children.



Teaching Experience, Speeches and Publications

- Speaker, Maximizing your Mediation, Tarrant County Young Lawyers Association, (2017)
- Speaker, Maximizing your Mediation, Dallas Bar Association Intellectual Property Law Section, (2017)
- Speaker, Maximizing your Mediation, Dallas Bar Association Solo & Small Firm Section, (2016)
- Speaker, Maximizing your Mediation, Dallas Bar Association Health Law Section, (2016)
- Author, "Maximizing Your Mediation: Communication is Critical," Dallas Bar Association Headnotes, (2015)
- Speaker, "Maximizing Your Mediation," Rockwall Bar Association, (2015)
- Speaker, "Maximizing Your Mediation," Dallas Bar Association Labor and Employment Law Section, (2015)
- Speaker, "Maximizing Your Mediation," Tarrant County Bar Association Labor and Employment Law Section, (2012)
- Speaker, "Maximizing Your Mediation," Tarrant County Young Lawyers Association, (2012)
- Speaker, "Maximizing Your Mediation," Mesquite Bar Association, (2011)
- Speaker, "Maximizing Your Mediation," Dallas Bar Association Tort and Insurance Practice Section, Spring Training - Trying a Case from First Base to Home Plate (2007)
- Author, "Offers of Settlement: Awarding & Determining Litigation Costs," Dallas Bar Association Headnotes (2005)
- Speaker, Conflict Resolution, CALTEC Conference Almaty, Kazakhstan (2005)
- Speaker and Co-Author, "Resolving Conflict: A Practical Approach", Sixth Annual Dallas Court Coordinator / Clerk Seminar (2003)

Mediation Training

- ABA Annual Dispute Resolution Conferences 2001, 2003, 2004, 2006
- Harvard Law School 35-Hour Negotiation Workshop 1998
- Association of Attorney Mediators Seminars 1998, 2004, 2006, 2014, 2016, 2017
- CDR's 40-Hour Mediating Workplace Disputes Course 1999
- State Bar of Texas / Dallas Bar Association Seminars 1997-2006
- UHCL Dispute Resolution Conference 1998
- DMS Seminars EEOC Mediation, Transformative Mediation, Mediation Ethics 1997
- High State Arbitration Seminar 2002
- Dispute Mediation Services 30-Hour Divorce Mediation Training Course 1998
- Child Protective Services Mediation Training Course 2000
- Peacemakers' 25-Hour Christian Conciliation Course 2000
- Victim-Offender Juvenile Mediation Training Seminar 2001
- Attorney-Mediators Institute 40-Hour Basic Mediation Training Course 1997
- St. Mary's School of Law ADR Course 1988

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