

KIM L. KIRN

Education: USA&M Mediation Training, 2007-ongoing. Indiana Continuing Legal Education Mediation Certification 2006. University of Notre Dame Law School JD, cum laude, 1985. University Of Missouri-Columbia BA, cum laude 1982.

Accomplishments: Ms. Kirn is a ground-breaking mediator and arbitrator; she conducted the first arbitration pursuant to the new arbitration provision in the Madison County Realtor's contract as well as the first mortgage foreclosure mediation in Madison County. She continues to be a popular mediator/arbitrator for those programs. She is a tireless advocate for the mediation process and will not stop urging the parties towards settlement until no stone is left unturned.

Ms. Kirn uses her background as a litigator and in-house counsel to delve deeply into the facts and law of the dispute to discover where the possible areas of disagreement are and, more importantly, where the areas of agreement are. Her areas of experience include: employment, real estate, personal injury, commercial and education including special education.

She has published numerous legal articles on the subjects of mediation, employee misconduct, sexual harassment, privacy in the workplace and the use of alternative dispute resolution in real estate disputes. She has spoken on mediation topics, not only in the St. Louis metropolitan area, but throughout the country. She has taught Business Law and Ethics to university senior business school students.

Affiliations: Missouri and Illinois Bars. BAMSL, Madison County Bar Association, Women's Law Association. Publicly elected member of the Glen Carbon, IL Library 2005-2010, Glen Carbon, IL Zoning Board of Appeals, 2003-2006. Winner of the Kimmel Leadership, 2004. FINRA Arbitrator and Mediator.