



Linda R. Singer, Esq.

Linda R. Singer, Esq., a nationally-known neutral, has over 30 years of dispute resolution experience as an arbitrator, mediator, civil litigator, and a neutral evaluator. She served as a special master to the U.S. District Court, S.D.N.Y., and has been appointed as a mediator by numerous federal and state courts. Ms. Singer pioneered the development of mediation as a practice, training fellow mediators and lawyers throughout the United States, Europe, Australia, and New Zealand. She has designed ADR processes for private companies, court systems, and government agencies.

Ms. Singer has resolved thousands of matters in all types of civil litigation, including complex commercial, securities fraud, high-tech, insurance coverage, bankruptcy, products liability, antitrust, employment, civil rights, international, and environmental. Many of these complex, multi-party and class action cases have involved aggregate values in the hundreds of millions. She is described by attorneys who bring cases to her as “calm, tenacious, practical, and intelligent, with a talent for settling cases that no one else can” (scroll down to read more of *What Clients Say About Linda Singer*).

Representative Matters

Recent representative matters include the following.

- **Complex Employment, Collective and Class Actions:** numerous FLSA and state collective actions involving wage and hour claims; consumer class actions alleging illegal credit reporting, bank or credit card fees, overcharging, or deceptive sales practices; complex ERISA actions involving change of control and severance packages; and Title VII and state law class and multiple plaintiff actions involving claims of discrimination (race, religion, gender, and disability) and retaliation between employees and a variety of private and public defendants
 - Resolved multi-million dollar severance claims by eleven executives under ERISA, asserting a change in control upon sales of business units
 - Settled a range of whistleblower and executive compensation and non-compete claims
- **High-tech and Intellectual Property:** electronic marketplace disputes brought by consumers, vendors, and distributors, involving confidential information and trade secrets, competitive technologies, and antitrust allegations
 - Arbitrated putative anti-trust consumer class actions over alleged anti-competitive conduct by telecommunications companies
 - Mediated claims of defamation against the media and employers
 - Served as Panel Chair in an arbitration concerning an internet advertising agreement among Fortune 500 high-tech firms
- **International:** large dollar value trans-border contract disputes involving American and non-American companies
 - Settled federal court case between U.S. chemical supplier and Pakistani pharmaceuticals manufacturer involving conflicts between U.S. and Pakistani law
 - Settled claims of misappropriation of trade secrets and violations of Spanish patents between French and Spanish pharmaceutical manufacturers and distributors and American parent company
 - Resolved post-arbitration dispute over payment of a multi-million dollar liability among French and American manufacturers, insurers, and re-insurers
- **Business and Commercial:** contract, valuation, partnership dissolutions, buyouts, real property, construction defect, debt restructuring, finance, shareholder disputes, and other corporate governance issues
 - Resolved claims between minority shareholder and board of directors of privately held worldwide corporation regarding liquidation of shares
 - Settled class action for securities fraud involving the purchase of multiple family businesses
 - Settled redlining discrimination claims brought by five civil rights organizations and individual parties against a major insurance company
- **Environmental:** multi-party disputes under CERCLA concerning the allocation of responsibility for hazardous waste removal; damages to natural resources, clean air, and water; public disputes over land use
 - Settled dispute involving more than 200 private parties, local municipalities, and federal and state enforcement agencies, over the allocation of liability for past costs and ongoing

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*Best Lawyers in America,
2014*

*Recognized as a Top
Rated Lawyer in
Alternative Dispute
Resolution, The National
Law Journal, 2013*

*Recipient of Prestigious
D'Alemberte-Raven
Award from the Dispute
Resolution Section of the
ABA, 2012*

*Recognized as a Best
Lawyer, Alternative
Dispute Resolution
Category, Best Lawyers
in America, 2009-2012*

*Recognized as a
Washington, D.C. Super
Lawyer by Law & Politics
Magazine, 2006-2012*

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- operation and maintenance of the Kramer Landfill in New Jersey
- Settled dispute over reopeners concerning the New Bedford Harbor in Massachusetts

Comments from Counsel

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Honors, Memberships, and Professional Activities

- *Best Lawyers in America*, 2014
- Chair: JAMS Board of Directors
- Recognized as a Top Rated Lawyer in Alternative Dispute Resolution, *The National Law Journal*, 2013
- Recipient of the D'Alemberte/Raven Award from the Dispute Resolution Section of the ABA, 2012
- Selected by *Who's Who Legal* as one of the world's leading Commercial Mediators, 2012
- Selected to the Martindale-Hubbell® Bar Register of Preeminent Women Lawyers, 2012
- National Panel of Distinguished Neutrals, CPR Institute for Dispute Resolution
- Elected as a Neutral Fellow of the College of Labor and Employment Lawyers
- Recognized as a Best Lawyer, Alternative Dispute Resolution Category, *Best Lawyers in America*, 2009-2012
- Member, CPR Panel of Distinguished Neutrals
- Co-author, "Mediating Class Actions," published by the Federal Judicial Center and the ABA Section of Dispute Resolution in *ADR Handbook for Judges*
- Outstanding Achievement for ADR Education and Training, American College of Civil Trial Mediators
- Practical Achievement Award, CPR Institute for Dispute Resolution
- CPR Book Award, *Settling Disputes: Conflict Resolution in Business, Families, and the Legal System*
- Board member: Consensus Building Institute of the Abramson Foundation
- Former board member: JAMS Foundation
- Former member or Board Chair: HASNA Foundation; Board of Governors, District of Columbia Bar; D.C. Judicial Nomination Commission
- Visiting or adjunct faculty member of Law Schools of Georgetown, Harvard, Stanford, George Washington, University of California at Los Angeles, University of New Mexico, and American Universities; trainer for CPR International Institute for Conflict Prevention and Resolution

Background and Education

- Principal, ADR Associates, LLC, 1990-2003
- President, non-profit Center for Dispute Settlement, 1971-present
- Partner, Lichtman, Trister, Singer & Ross, Washington, D.C., 1988-2002
- Partner, Goldfarb and Singer, 1971-1988
- Faculty, Harvard's Program of Instruction for Lawyers at the Program on Negotiation, 1987-present
- J.D., *with highest honors*, George Washington University Law School, 1968
- B.A., *magna cum laude*, Harvard University, 1963