

# Martin C. Weisman, Esq.

**Current Employer-Title** Weisman, Young & Ruemenapp, P.C. Shareholder

**Profession** Attorney, Arbitrator, Mediator

**Work History** Founding Shareholder, Weisman, Young & Ruemenapp, P.C., 1980-present; Associate/Partner, Smith, Miro, Hirsch & Brody, 1973-80; Associate, Dykema, Gossett, Spencer, Goodnow & Trigg, 1970-73.

**Experience** Over 44 years experience in commercial law including banking, finance, partnership and shareholder disputes, real estate and construction matters, professional negligence, travel law, non-competition and trade secret issues, as well as general commercial contract disputes. In addition to litigation and as a result of litigation, has also negotiated and drafted numerous financing and workout agreements, shareholder and partnership buy-sell agreements, employment contracts, and purchase and sale agreements.

**Alternative Dispute Resolution Experience** Has served as a neutral and party appointed arbitrator, mediator, and/or case evaluator in numerous commercial matters where claims ranged from several tens of thousands of dollars to millions of dollars. These have included claims for breaches of many differing types of contracts, shareholders and/or partnership break-ups and/or oppression matters, attorney and accounting malpractice, security disputes, purchase and sale disputes, commissions, real estate, construction, employment, and merger and acquisition issues. These have been court and/or party appointed positions as well as AAA and/or PREMi matters. Has been named a Michigan Top Lawyer by dBusiness magazine each year since 2009 and a Michigan Super Lawyer by Michigan Super Lawyers each year since 2007 and is currently the Chair-Elect of the Alternative Dispute Resolution Section of the State Bar of Michigan.

**Alternative Dispute Resolution Training Alternative Dispute Resolution Training** Faculty, AAA Managing the Arbitration Process for Efficiency & Economy Following the Preliminary Hearing, 2013; Faculty, AAA Everything You Wanted to Know About the New RUAA, But Were Afraid to Ask, 2013; Institute for Continuing Legal Education, Advanced Negotiation & Dispute Resolution Institute, 2013; Faculty, AAA Maximizing Efficiency & Economy in Arbitration: Challenges at the Preliminary Hearing, 2013, 2011; Faculty, AAA Managing the Arbitration Process for Efficiency & Economy Following the Preliminary Hearing, 2012; ICLE/State Bar of Michigan ADR Section, Advanced Negotiation & Dispute Resolution Institute, 2012, 2011, 2010; State Bar of Michigan Alternative Dispute Resolution Section, Advanced Mediation Training, 2011; AAA/Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association/Oakland County Bar Association, ADR Joint Networking Event, 2010; AAA Arbitration Awards: Safeguarding, Deciding & Writing Awards (ACE001), 2009; ICLE Annual Mediators' Forum: Advanced Mediation Training, 2009; State Bar of Michigan ADR Section, Brain Science Behind Mediation, 2008; ICLE Advanced Mediation Training Master Class, 2007; AAA Commercial Arbitrator II Training: Advanced Case Management Issues, 2006; AAA

Arbitrator I: Fundamentals of the Arbitration Process, 2006; Institute for Continuing Legal Education, Advanced Arbitration and Mediation, 2005, 2006; Institute for Continuing Legal Education, Mediation Training, 2002; Oakland County Bar Association, Case Evaluation, 2002; various other ADR training.

**Professional Licenses** Admitted to the Bar: Michigan, 1970; U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Michigan, 1970; U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit, 1973; U.S. District Court, Western District of Michigan, 1985.

**Professional Associations** American Bar Association; State Bar of Michigan (Real Property Law Section ADR Committee co founder and former chairman, ADR Section, Executive Council and Chair-Elect); Detroit Bar Association (Young Lawyers Chairman); Oakland County Bar Association (Circuit Court Committee, Chairman); Michigan and Oakland County Bar Foundations, Professional Resolution Experts of Michigan LLC.

**Education** Ohio Wesleyan University (BA, Politics, Government, Speech-1967); University of Michigan (JD-1970).

**Publications** Co-author, "Admissibility of Evidence & Expert Testimony in Michigan", NBI, 2004; "Hints on Navigating the Minefields of Expert Testimony", NBI, 2007; "Resolution of Real Estate Partnership and Membership Disputes," REAL PROPERTY LAW SECTION, State Bar of Michigan, 2002; "Liability of Travel Agents & Tour Operators for Personal Injuries of Travelers", LACHES, 1995, MICHIGAN BAR JOURNAL, 1996; "Constructing the Construction Loan," BANKING LAW INSTITUTE, 1990; "Non-Neutral Parties Add Layer of Expense, A Neutral Arbitrator's View of Party Appointed Arbitrations", LAWYERS WEEKLY, April 6, 2009; "Mediators Should be Facilitators and Evaluators", LAWYERS WEEKLY, February 15, 2010; "Med/Arb:A Time and Cost-Effective Combination For Dispute Resolution", LAWYERS WEEKLY, October 10, 2011; "Managing The Arbitration Process-Combining Carrots and Spurts to Determine Desired Process"; ICLE 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Advanced Negotiation & Dispute Resolution Institute, March 17, 2011.

**SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS** Have written, lectured and has been a trainer on topics such as shareholder/partnership disputes and breakups, real estate, banking, professional negligence matters, expert testimony, and various alternative dispute resolution topics for the Institute of Continuing Legal Education, American Arbitration Association University, Real Property Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan, Professional Resolution Experts of Michigan, Cooley Law School, Michigan State College of Law, and Wayne State University College of Law.

**Compensation** \$375 Per Hour

The hourly charge includes study time, communications with parties, co-arbitrators and/or AAA, preparation for, attendance at, and conducting hearings and preparing award. Cancellation policy: Reserves the right to charge cancellation fee if hearing is cancelled without at least three business days notice or upon excessive hearing adjournments.

**Citizenship** United States of America

**Locale** Bingham Farms, MI

