

JOSEPH V. SIMERI, ESQ. South Bend, Indiana



After forty years of trial work, Joseph V. Simeri now serves exclusively as a mediator and arbitrator. Having mediated and arbitrated in excess of 3,400 cases, he believes in the words of the Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell that "conflicts are created, conducted and sustained by human beings - they can be ended by human beings."

Mr. Simeri brings to mediation his civil jury and bench trial experience in Federal and State Courts as lead counsel in cases involving:

- Business;
- Commercial;
- Construction;
- Eminent Domain;
- Personal Injury;
- Legal Professional Liability;
- Medical Professional Liability;
- Securities:
- Indiana Workers Compensation Claims;
- Title VII of the Civil Rights Act;
- Age Discrimination in Employment Act;
- Equal Pay Act;
- Labor/Employment and Americans with Disabilities Act;
- Fair Labor Standards Act;
- Federal Constitution Claims;
- Product Liability;
- Employment Disputes;
- Constitutional Law Claims;
- Trade Secret Litigation;
- Non-Compete Covenant Cases; and
- Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA).

Education/Training

University of Notre Dame (B.A., cum laude); Northwestern University School of Law (J.D.) Wigmore Key recipient.

Certifications/Licenses

Registered Mediator (Indiana Supreme Court, Commission for Continuing Legal Education, Indiana, 1993).

Panels

Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service

Mediator and Arbitrator, Resolute Systems, Inc.;

Board of Arbitrators, Financial Industry Regulation Authority, Inc.;

Mediator, Financial Industry Regulation Authority, Inc.;

Mediator, United States Postal Service REDRESS Program;

Mediator, Ad Hoc Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Alternative Dispute Resolution Program;

Mediator Panel Member, HealthCare Excel Medicare Mediation Program;

Mediator, United States District Court, Northern District of Indiana;

Mediator, United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of Indiana;

Hearing Officer, National Arbitration and Mediation;

Mediator Adhoc Panel Member, Indiana Education Employment Relations Board.

Cases Mediated and Arbitrated To Date: In excess of 3,400

Mediation and Arbitration Years of Experience: 19

Expert Areas: Business, Commercial, Construction, Eminent Domain, Personal Injury, Legal Professional Liability, Medical Professional Liability, Securities, Indiana Workers Compensation Claims, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, Age Discrimination in Employment Act, Equal Pay Act, Labor/Employment, and Americans with Disabilities Act, Federal Constitution Claims.

Courts/Tribunals/Forums/Approvals: Panel Member, Mediator and Arbitrator, Resolute Systems, Inc.; Board of Arbitrators, Financial Industry Regulation Authority, Inc.; Mediator, United States Postal Service REDRESS Program; Mediator, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Alternative Dispute Resolution Program; Mediator Panel Member, HealthCare Excel Medicare Mediation Program; Adhoc Mediator Panel Member, Indiana Education Employment Relations Board; Approved Mediator for the United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of Indiana; Mediator Roster, United States District Court, Northern District of Indiana; Court Appointed Facilitator, St. Joseph County, Indiana Superior Court Mortgage Foreclosure Assistance Project.

Publications and Recently Reported Decisions: Contributing Editor, The Developing Labor Law, 2nd and 3rd Editions, Bureau of National Affairs, Inc.; Fort Wayne Community Schools and International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local 414, 130 LA 282; The Kroger Company and United Industrial Workers Service, Transportation Professional and Government Workers of North America, 130 LA 497; International Steel Services Inc./American Iron Oxide Co. and United Steelworkers Local 2003-10, 130 LA 882; Port Clinton Manufacturing Co. and International Union, United Automobile Aerospace and Agricultural Implement Workers of America, Local 913, 130 LA 829; Davis & Associates, Inc. and Laborers International Union of North America State of Indiana District Council, 131 LA 778; Sloan Valve and United Steel Workers, 132 LA 997; American Electric Power Co. and Individual Grievant, 131 LA 1644; Indiana Michigan Power and IBEW 1392, 132 LA 30; Republic Countyline Landfill and IUOE Local 150, 132 LA 281.

Certifications/Licenses/Professional Associations: Registered Mediator, Indiana Supreme Court, Commission for Continuing Legal Education, Indiana, 1993; Fellow, American College of Civil Trial Mediators; Roster of Arbitrators, Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service; Charter Member, National Academy of Distinguished Neutrals; Indiana State Bar Association, Labor and Employment Law Section, Chairperson, 2000; Member, Alternative Dispute Resolution Section of the Indiana State Bar Association; Member, Indiana Association of Mediators.

Lectures: Lecturer, "Winning Civil Cases In Mediation," St. Joseph County, IN Bar Association, 2002; Lecturer, Michiana Paralegal Association's 2010 Spring Seminar on Alternative Dispute Resolution; Panelist, "The Key Practical And Ethical Elements To Effective Mediations," St. Joseph County Bar Association, 2011; Lecturer, "Dealing With Social Media Issues In The Workplace," Council For The Advancement of Labor and Management Relations, 2011.