



Arbitration & Mediation Services

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Lieutenant Colonel Darden honorably served the United States Army for 33 years. During his service he was involved in several combat operations overseas as an Infantry Commander. He received several citations during Operation Desert Storm to include the Bronze Star. LTC Darden launched a well-received program of professional development courses, which focus on team building using diversity and capitalizing on team member individuality. He was the Executive Director of the Armed Forces Network, Seoul Korea where he managed nine media networks.

LTC Darden serves as a Volunteer Mediator for the State of California's Department of Fair Employment and Housing where he's mediated over 500 Civil and PAGA Rights complaints. Since retirement LTC Darden has performed over 1500 family law and civil mediations in San Bernardino Superior court. He has mediated over 1100 employment cases while serving Department of Fair Employment and Housing in downtown Los Angeles. As a County Superior Court Appointed Mediator he has successfully settled over 200 small claims, limited and unlimited jurisdiction cases. LTC Darden is a formally trained Ombudsman. He performs pastoral family/marriage counseling and mediation throughout California. LTC Darden currently serves as a mediator with the National Federation of Federal Employees which gives him the unique experience with labor and employment negotiations.

LTC Darden is currently an Adjunct Professor at Pepperdine School of Law's Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution. While serving at the United States Military Academy at West Point, LTC Darden was the Professor of Public Speaking, the cadet speech and debate coach and a tactical trainer.

LTC Darden received his AB in Social Science from the University at Berkeley, an MA in Group Counseling from Long Island University, Long Island New York and a JD from Pace University School of Law White Plains, New York. He has MA in Dispute Resolution from the Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution at Pepperdine University School of Law Malibu California. He is an American Arbitration Association 2013 Higginbotham Fellow, a member of the American Bar Association, the Southern California Mediation Association and the Inland Valley Arbitration and Mediation Service.

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