

JUDGE JACK LU, RET.

MEDIATION

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DETAILS



Fees

My rate is \$450 per hour plus big expenses. Examples of big expenses would be renting conference rooms or hotel costs. They are charged. Small expenses that are not charged would be parking, mileage (but travel time is charged), and normal

photocopying/printing. I request a total two-hour retainer contributed to as determined by the parties but totaling two hours and not per party. Any unused retainer is refundable.



Examples

- 1. Tenant's visitor-plaintiff versus Landlord defendant for injuries from fall on porch needing repair. Settled within the first hour of mediation.**
- 2. Three party lawsuit, industrial property Landlord versus General Contractor and Engineering Firm defendants. Settled at the end of a full-day mediation.**
- 3. Commercial Landlord plaintiff versus Restaurant LLC defendant. This case came to me after the court compelled arbitration based on a mandatory arbitration lease clause, and the parties agreed on me as the arbitrator. We took evidence from the first two of five witnesses, then I mediated the case to settlement. During this process I maintained my neutrality so that I could decide the arbitration impartially, if needed. The entire process took 3 hours.**



I was a Boston Municipal Court judge for five years, and a Mass. Superior Court judge for 16 years. On the BMC I requested extra civil work which was forthcoming, and I sat in the newly created divisions of the BMC (Central, Charlestown, South Boston, Brighton, Roxbury, West Roxbury, and Dorchester), and the Appellate Division of the BMC, again at my request. As a Superior Court judge I sat in Essex, Middlesex, Worcester, Suffolk and Norfolk Counties, and I was on the ADR Committee of the Superior Court. I assisted in numerous initiatives including serving as the Essex (Civil and Criminal) Regional Administrative Justice.

While a judge I presided over hundreds of jury cases, and as a lawyer (16 years) I tried a similar number of jury trials. I am an avid student of jury behavior, and also take intellectual interest in the resolution of disputes, and the litigation process. I trained at the Harvard Law School Executive Education Program on Negotiation's "Mediating Disputes" course with a faculty of leaders in the field including at least one HLS named endowed full professor, and participants such as the attorney for a head of state, high level medical center personnel including HR officials, the Head of HR Europe for a major Japanese automaker, and large law firm partners. As a judge, in compliance with ethical guidelines, I mediated cases to settlement. I have been a law school or university adjunct faculty member since about 2002, and one of the courses I teach now is Business Law.

So far, I have settled every mediation or arbitration that I have undertaken.