



JOSH HOCH | Mediator

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“Josh is extremely knowledgeable and he is an effective mediator and trainer. I have worked with him, and for him, and am consistently impressed with his professionalism and expertise.”

- Attorney

“Josh is an excellent communicator and a talented mediator. His style is direct and personable. He has a strong work ethic and he knows how to balance mediation skills with business skills.”

- Colleague

Dispute Resolution Experience

Josh Hoch is a mediator, instructor, and is Director of Mediation & Arbitration Services at MWI. A mediator since 1996, Josh mediates family, divorce, parenting, child support, never married parents, housing, and eviction cases with MWI and other ADR organizations. In addition to his mediation work, Josh is also a member of MWI's training faculty and leads advanced divorce, eviction, and corporate mediation trainings. As Director of Mediation & Arbitration Services at MWI, Josh manages cases referred from individuals, companies, EAP's, therapists, attorneys, the Massachusetts BMC & District Court Departments, the Probate and Family Court Department, and the Land Court Department of Massachusetts Trial Court System. Josh is a member of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC), and served on the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Chapter of AFCC from 2005 to 2012. Josh has been featured in the Boston Globe and on the award-winning New England newsmagazine television show "Chronicle" where he provided information about marriage, divorce and the use of divorce and family mediation in Massachusetts.

Representative Matters

Has mediated over 600 cases including:

- Divorce – short and long term marriages
- Numerous never married parents dealing with parenting plans & child support
- Spouses looking to divorce and end a business relationship
- Physical separation, asset & liability division, and property division
- Same-sex divorce and separations
- Custody disputes
- Complex visitation and parenting schedules
- Parents who want to stay married
- Pro se and with attorneys present
- Several cases mediated with a Spanish translator

Honors, Memberships, and Professional Activities

- Served on the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Chapter of AFCC, an organization working to assist families in conflict through education, research and services, 2005 – 2012

“He is clearly an expert in what he does!”

- *Divorce Client*

- Member of the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts (AFCC)
 - Principal Mediator, Mediator Registry
 - Appeared on the award winning New England newsmagazine television show "Chronicle" where he provided information about marriage, divorce and the use of divorce and family mediation in MA
 - Featured as a mediator in a Boston Globe article
 - Serves as Treasurer of an annual fundraiser for Jimmy Fund Clinic patients and their families
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Lectures and ADR Trainings Conducted

- Provides individual mentoring to mediators looking to increase their effectiveness as mediators, (2003 – present);
 - New England Law | Boston, Ethical Standards, Presenter, (2005 - present);
 - Liaison for Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy Mediation Practicum (2001 – 2011);
 - A Child’s Voice in Court: How to Get It, How to Interpret It and How to Use It, Panel Speaker, (2008);
 - Coca-Cola Enterprise Inc., Trainer. Trained over 950 employees dispute resolution and communication skills and educated over 1700 employees through briefings, (Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Texas, New York, Vermont); (2004 – 2006);
 - Harvard Law School, Intern Fair, Cambridge, MA, Presenter, (2005);
 - Boston University Law School, Court Connected ADR, Guest Speaker Presenter, (2003 – 2008);
 - Germaine Lawrence, Family Communication Workshop, Facilitator, (2001 – 2005);
 - Hale and Dorr Legal Services Center, Divorce Mediation Presenter, (2003 – 2004);
 - Southern New England School of Law, Mediation Trainer and Coach (2004);
 - Simmons College Graduate School of Social Work, Guest Lecturer, Parent – Teen Mediation (2004);
 - Lexington Community Education, Divorce: Information You Want to Know, (2004);
 - Northeastern University, undergraduate class, Guest Speaker, (2001 – 2002);
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Background and Education

- Director of Mediation & Arbitration Services, MWI, Boston, MA, 2001 – Present
- Divorce and Family Mediator, MWI, Boston, MA, 2001 – Present
- Court & Divorce Mediator, Cambridge, MA 2001 – Present

- Divorce Mediator, CLC Inc., Granite Bay, CA, 2004 – Present
- BMC Mediator, Boston Bar Foundation, Boston, MA, 2004 – 2007
- Mediator, Middlesex Multi-Door Courthouse, Cambridge, MA 2003 – 2005
- District Court Mediator, Middlesex Mediation Program, Lowell, MA, 2000 – 2001
- Staff Member, Academy of Family Mediators, Jan. 2000 – Dec. 2000
- B.A. University of Massachusetts at Amherst, 1998
- Mediation Training, L. Wing Mediation Consulting, 1996