

Christopher H. Kent

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MEDIATION AND ARBITRATION

In 32 years of private practice, I have conducted hundreds of mediations, arbitrations, settlement conferences, and trials. My trial experience covers a broad range, including: business litigation, employment, securities, franchise, construction design defect, insurance, personal injury, will contests, trusts, real property, intellectual property, and disputes involving closely-held or family owned businesses. I am frequently called upon to act as a mediator or arbitrator for other lawyers and have served as a neutral in over 50 cases.

PANEL MEMBERSHIPS

American Arbitration Association, Commercial
Arbitration Service of Portland
FINRA
Multnomah County Circuit Court Mandatory Arbitration

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers
Martindale-Hubbell “AV” rating
SuperLawyers, top list
Best Lawyers

PRIVATE PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

1994 - Present Managing Partner of my own law firm. My practice has been almost exclusively litigation in the areas described above. I have represented individuals, small businesses, and larger companies almost equally as defendant’s and plaintiff’s counsel. For more information on my firm, clients, and cases please visit www.kentlaw.com.

1985 - 1994 I began private practice in 1985 at Bullivant, Houser, Bailey, et al. In 1987, I left with a group of lawyers to practice

business litigation. I practiced with mostly the same group of lawyers until I established my own firm in 1994.

BAR MEMBERSHIPS

Oregon (1985); Washington and District of Columbia (2001); admitted to practice in U.S. Supreme Court, 9th Circuit Court of Appeals, U.S. District Courts for the Districts of Oregon, Eastern and Western Washington, Colorado, Federal Claims Court, and U.S. Tax Court.

EDUCATION

May 1985	University of Oregon, School of Law, JD
May 1979	State University of New York & Syracuse University, AAS in Forest Technology (honors)
May 1977	Virginia Commonwealth University, BA History (high honors)

OTHER PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

- OSB Board of Bar Governors, 2008-11; OSB Vice President, 2011
- St. Andrews Legal Clinic Board of Directors for six years (two terms as President), and several years as a Night Clinic volunteer
- Legal Aid volunteer - Domestic Violence Project
- Dean's Advisory Board for the University of Oregon School of Law, and ADR Board from 2003-2009
- OSB House of Delegates, 2004 to the present
- OSB Member: Joint Interim Legislative Committee on State Courts Revenue Structure, 2010-2012
- OSB Mentor Program, 2012 to the present
- Chair of the OSB Military and Veterans Law Section, 2013
- Guest Lecturer for University of Oregon Law School (Federal Court Practice and Mediation Clinic)
- OSB CLE Lecturer (Civil Procedure, Shareholder Disputes, Business Law, Arbitration, Mediation, and Advanced Insurance Issues; OSB Diversity Employment Retreat, "Gaining Trial Experience")
- Wilson High School Classroom Law Project, Coach for "We the People" constitutional law team
- Youth Athletics Coach - girls and boys basketball, 25 years