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EDUCATION

B.A., Political Science, Baylor University, 1991

J.D., Texas Tech School of Law, 1995

COURT ADMISSIONS

Texas, 1995

U.S. Districts Courts, Northern, Eastern, Western, and Southern Districts of Texas

PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

D Magazine, Best Lawyers of Dallas, Alternative Dispute Resolution/Mediation, 2015-2018

Texas Monthly, Texas Super Lawyer, Alternative Dispute Resolution, 2011-present

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MEDIATOR ARBITRATOR

John serves as a full-time mediator and arbitrator in complex disputes. He mediates pre-suit disputes as well as state and federal litigation and arbitration matters.

BACKGROUND

John was born in 1969 and raised in Waco, Texas. After obtaining his Bachelor of Arts from Baylor University in 1991, John received his Juris Doctor in 1995 from Texas Tech School of Law, where he was on the Dean's List, and served as an Associate Editor of the Texas Tech Law Review. After graduating from law school, John clerked for the Tenth Court of Appeals for a year before entering private law practice. He has practiced in the Dallas-Fort Worth area since 1996. John lives in Dallas with his wife and daughter, and their attack Golden Retriever, Willie Nelson.

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

John has over 23 years of experience as a lawyer. Prior to opening his own dispute resolution practice in 2013, John was a partner at a litigation boutique in Dallas where he maintained a practice in a wide variety of areas. John has practiced in the areas of business and commercial litigation and has worked as a transactional lawyer performing real estate, commercial leasing, and general corporate work. He has also served as outside general counsel for several of his business clients, advising them on litigation, employment, regulatory, and transactional matters, and all aspects of risk management and dispute resolution. John also has experience in matters involving oil & gas, class actions, intellectual property, bankruptcy, construction law, personal injury, product liability, entertainment law, funeral home and cemetery law, and professional liability.

DISPUTE RESOLUTION PRACTICE

John was formally trained as a professional mediator through the American Academy of Attorney Mediators in 2000. He has maintained a mediation practice since that time and continues to take advanced mediation, arbitration, and negotiation training courses to further improve his skills.

John has over 18 years of practical experience as a mediator focusing on the resolution of complex disputes. Since opening his dispute resolution practice in 2013, John has focused on mediating and arbitrating matters involving commercial and business litigation, partnership disputes, health care, employment law, intellectual property, real estate, oil and gas, construction, personal injury, professional liability, product liability, insurance coverage, and probate matters. In especially contentious or complex matters, John is also retained to provide neutral case management services to help the parties position the dispute for possible resolution. In addition to his mediation practice, lawyers and parties retain John as negotiation counsel to negotiate the resolution of their disputes as their advocate.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Association of Attorney Mediators, North Texas Chapter, President 2011-2018

Federal Bar Association, ADR Section, Federal Litigation Section

Dallas Bar Association, ADR Section, Business Litigation Section, Fee Dispute Committee, CLE Committee, Bench Bar Committee

State Bar of Texas, ADR Section, Business Law Section, Consumer and Commercial Law Section

William 'Mac' Taylor, American Inn of Court, Master of the Bench, 2015-present; Mentor-Mentee Committee Chair, 2017-2018

DAYL Foundation, Fellow, 2008-present

Dallas Bar Foundation, Fellow, 2017-present

Recent Speeches/Presentations

John is frequently asked to speak on dispute resolution topics and has spoken at continuing legal education seminars put on by the Dallas Bar Association, the State Bar of Texas, the Association of Attorney Mediators, and the University of North Texas Dallas School of Law among others. Recent presentations include:

"Joint Sessions in Mediation: Essential or Irrelevant," Dallas Bar Association & Mesquite Bar Association (March 2014)- John Shipp, Christopher Nolland, John DeGroot, and Michael Gardner

"Early Case Mediation and Other Ways Mediators Can Add Value," State Bar of Texas, Alternative Dispute Resolution Section (January 2015)-John Shipp and the Hon. (Ret.) Linda B. Thomas

"How to Screw Up a Mediation," Dallas Bar Association, Business Litigation Section (April 2015)- John Shipp, Christopher Nolland, and John DeGroot

"The Mediator's Roundtable-A Guided Group Discussion-Dealing with Difficult Situations" Dallas Bar Association, ADR Section (September 2014, October 2016)- John Shipp

"Mediation Process and Techniques," University of North Texas Dallas College of Law, 40 Hour Mediation Training Course (June 2016, May 2017, May 2018), Guest Lecturer, John Shipp

"Ten Things Your Mediator Won't Tell You," Dallas Bar Association, CLE Section, (June 2018)- John Shipp (co-written by John DeGroot)

"How to Become and Stay a Successful Mediator: Personal Experiences and Lessons Learned," Dallas Bar Association, ADR Section (September 2018)- John Shipp, Co-Panelist