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# Paula K. Manis

Education	1976 - 1979 Juris Doctorat	Thomas M. Cooley Law School <b>e</b>	Lansing, Michigan
	1973 - 1975	Michigan State University Post-graduate studies	East Lansing, Michigan
	1969 - 1973 <b>B.A. Social Sc</b>	Michigan State University ience Multi-disciplinary Program	East Lansing, Michigan
Professional Experience	04/12 - present	Loomis, Ewert, Parsley, Davis & Gotting, PC	Lansing, Michigan

## Of Counsel

 Continued representation of multinational and Michigan corporations, small businesses and individuals in oil and gas, real estate, and transactions; mediations, arbitrations, facilitations, and public policy mediations, including Federal Crop Insurance matters. Certified mediator in nineteen counties.

1999 – 4/12 Worman, Dixon & Manis, PLLC Lan	sing, Michigan
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## Member

 Continued representation of multinational and Michigan corporations, small businesses and individuals in oil and gas, real estate, and transactions; mediations, arbitrations, facilitations, and public policy mediations. Certified mediator in nineteen counties. Martindale Hubbell AV rating.

## 11/03 – 3/05 Co-Facilitator of the I-94 & U.S. 127/M-50 Interchange Consensus Building Committee

\* Was selected and served as a Co-Facilitator to lead a Consensus Building Committee ("CBC") comprised of members representing the City of Jackson, Blackman Township, Jackson County Board of Commissioners, Jackson County Road Commission, Region 2 Planning Commission, The Enterprise Group, Michigan Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration. As Co-Facilitator assisted the CBC in identifying, comparing, and prioritizing public and private concerns, values, and concerns in recognition of highway planning issues and engineering issues. The facilitation resulted in agreement by the CBC on an additional alternative design for the interchange at I-94 and U.S. 127/M-50.

Lansing, Michigan

## Partner

\* One of the leading oil and gas law firms in Michigan with offices in Mount Pleasant and Lansing. Clients included multinational and Michigan corporations, small businesses and individuals. Representing clients in every aspect of real estate transactions, exploration, production and transportation of oil and natural gas transactions including, but not limited to: multi-party mediations; closings; intricate and extensive title examination; rendering drilling and division order title opinions; title due diligence; contract drafting, negotiations, facilitations and mediations; regulatory investigations and hearings; litigation support in precedent setting cases and settlement negotiations; negotiation, drafting and closing of multi-million dollar purchase and sale agreements; client development, public relations and marketing. Martindale-Hubbell AV rating.

## 1981 - 1984Amoco Production CompanyLansing, Michigan

#### Contract Petroleum Landman

\* Examination of real property titles, landowner relations and negotiations, negotiation of leases, easements, surface use agreements and title curative.

	1982 - 1984	Lynam, Flynn & Manis	Lansing, Michigan	
	Of Counsel			
		I practice, concentrating in real p tional law.	property, oil and gas and	
	1981 - 1982	Anderson, Hay & Wonch	Lansing, Michigan	
	Of Counsel			
		I practice, concentrating in real prope tional law.	rty, oil and gas and	
	1979 - 1981	Paula K. Manis	Lansing, Michigan	
	Sole Practitioner			
	* General practice, concentrating in real property, oil and gas and transactional law. Contract counsel to Loomis Realty Company.			
Applicable Mediation/Arbitration Training	3/13/14	ICLE 13 <sup>th</sup> Annual Advanced Negotiat and Dispute Resolution Institute Cosponsored by the ADR Section of		

the State Bar of Michigan and the State Court Administrative Office (8.0 Credit hours)

3/21/13 ICLE 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Advanced Negotiation Plymouth, Michigan and Dispute Resolution Institute Cosponsored by the ADR Section of the State Bar of Michigan and the State Court Administrative Office (6.5 Credit hours) ICLE 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Advanced Negotiation 3/15/12 Plymouth, Michigan and Dispute Resolution Institute Cosponsored by the ADR Section of the State Bar of Michigan and the State Court Administrative Office (6.0 Credit hours) 9/23/11 Alternative Dispute Resolution Section Grand Rapids, Michigan Annual Meeting and Conference of the ADR Section of the State Bar of Michigan Advanced Mediation Training "Play-By-Play Advanced Mediation Training" (4 1/2 Hours) ICLE 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Advanced Negotiation 3/17/11 Plymouth, Michigan and Dispute Resolution Institute Cosponsored by the ADR Section of the State Bar of Michigan and the State Court Administrative Office (4.0 Credit hours) ICLE 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Advanced Negotiation 3/18/10 Plymouth, Michigan and Dispute Resolution Institute Cosponsored by the ADR Section of the State Bar of Michigan and the State Court Administrative Office (5.0 Credit hours) 3/12/09 ICLE 8th Annual Advanced Negotiation Plymouth, Michigan and Dispute Resolution Institute Cosponsored by the ADR Section of the State Bar of Michigan and the State Court Administrative Office (7.0 Credit hours) 2/13/09 American Bar Association seminar for via teleconference "Elder Mediation: The Challenges and Rewards of this Evolving Practice Area" Sponsored by the Dispute Resolution (1.5 Credit hours) 3/13/08 ICLE 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Advanced Negotiation Plymouth, Michigan and Dispute Resolution Institute Cosponsored by the ADR Section of the State Bar of Michigan and the State Court Administrative Office (6.5 Credit hours) 9/7/07 Alternative Dispute Resolution Section Traverse City, Michigan Annual Meeting and Conference of the ADR Section of the State Bar of Michigan Advanced Mediation Training "Using 'Principals for Effective Representation in Mediation' to Inform Mediator Strategies

	And Interventions" (2 1/2 Hours)	
8/27/07- 8/29/07	U.S. Postal Mediation Training (REDRESS mediation training) sponsored by the U.S. Postal Service. Certificate of Completion (20 Hours)	Lansing, Michigan
3/22/07	ICLE 6 <sup>th</sup> Annual Advanced Negotiation Seminar, Cosponsored by Alternative Dispute Resolution Section of the State Bar of Michigan (5.5 Credit hours)	Plymouth, Michigan
11/8/06- 11/09/06	American Arbitration Association- Arbitrator I Workshop, Fundamentals of the Arbitration Process: Introduction to Case Management Techniques (1.5 credit hours for Ethics and Professionalism; 9.5 credit hours for Skills/Law Practice Management/Areas of Professional Practice)	Chicago, Illinois
6/9/06	Advanced Mediation Training- Business to Business Mediation- Sponsored by Michigan State University College of Law (4 hours)	Troy, Michigan
5/19/06	"Ten Ways Mediators Could be Sued" Dispute Center for Central Michigan Advanced Mediation Training (4 Credit hours)	Lansing, Michigan
3/16/06	ICLE 5 <sup>th</sup> Annual Advanced Negotiation & Dispute Resolution Institute (7 Credit hours)	Plymouth, Michigan
10/7/05	"Mediation: Negotiating Under Fire) (4 Credit hours)	Lansing, Michigan
9/16/05	Dispute Center of Central Michigan Advanced Mediation Training (4 Credit hours)	Lansing, Michigan
9/8/05	Alternative Dispute Resolution Section Annual Meeting and Conference of the ADR Section of the State Bar of Michiga Advanced Mediation Training (2 Hours)	Mt. Pleasant, Michigan In
6/7/05	ICLE First Annual Mediator's Forum, Seminar (6.25 Credit hours)	Troy, Michigan
3/15/05	ICLE 4 <sup>th</sup> Annual Advanced Negotiation Seminar Cosponsored by Alternative Dispute Resolution Section of the State Bar of Michigan (6.0 Credit hours)	Plymouth, Michigan

8/20/04	Dispute Resolution Center of Central Michigan—Advanced Mediation Training (4 Credit hours)	Lansing, Michigan
6/17/04- 6/19/04	Pepperdine University School of Law Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution, Specialized Mediation: Handling Challenging Employment, Medical Malpractice and PI Cases (20 Hours)	Malibu, California
4/29/04- 5/15/04	MCR 2.411 Mediation Training Observed for training purposes Sponsored by the Dispute Resolution Center of Central Michigan (40 Credit h	Lansing, Michigan ours)
3/18/04	ICLE 3 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Advanced Negotiation Seminar Cosponsored by Alternative Dispute Resolution Section of the State Bar of Michigan (6.0 Credit hours)	Plymouth, Michigan
6/13/03	U.S. Postal Mediation Training (transformative mediation) sponsored by the U.S. Postal Service. Certificate of Completion (40 Hours)	Lansing, Michigan
3/27/03	ICLE 2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Advanced Negotiation Seminar Cosponsored by Alternative Dispute Resolution Section of the State Bar of Michigan and Michigan Judicial Institute (6.25 Credit hours)	Ann Arbor, Michigan
12/11/02- 12/14/02	Dispute Resolution Education Resources, Inc.'s Public Policy Dispute Resolution Training—Hewlett Foundatio (40 Hours)	Lansing, Michigan n
3/20/02	ICLE 1 <sup>st</sup> Annual Advanced Negotiation Seminar Cosponsored by Alternative Dispute Resolution Section of the State Bar of Michigan and Michigan Judicial Institute (5.8 Credits)	Ann Arbor, Michigan
1/09/02- 1/17/02	MCR 2.411 Mediator Training: "Facilitative Mediation: An Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Process" Sponsored by Dispute Resolution Center of Central Michigan and Cooley Law School (40 Hours)	Lansing, Michigan
Institute	er at the 11 <sup>th</sup> Annual Advanced Negotiatio e, on March 15, 2012, titled "Resolving Go of the ADR Section Governmental Task F	overnment Disputes:

Publications/

Lectures Presented

- \* Panelist on Mediation at the February 6, 2010 Bench/Bar Conference
- \* Speaker at the June 2009 Michigan Association for Justice No-Fault Institute "ADR in 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Cases"
- \* Speaker at Half Moon, LLC's seminar, on March 19, 2009, titled "Oil, Gas and Mineral Land Law", discussing the resolution of oil, gas and mineral title issues
- \* Speaker at the State Bar of Michigan's Annual Day of Education, May 2, 2008, "How to become a Mediator and ADR Opportunities for Non-Lawyers"
- \* Speaker at the Michigan Association of Professional Landmen 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Seminar, September 2007, discussing the history of property tax reverted lands in Michigan and the recent court settlement that affects all oil and gas companies.
- \* Judge at the American Bar Association "Representation in Mediation Regional Competition", at MSU College of Law, March 24, 2007, Lansing, Michigan
- \* Speaker at the Michigan Association of Professional Landmen 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Seminar, September, 2006, "Negotiation Techniques in Oil and Gas Matters".
- \* Panel Speaker-"Beginning the Mediation" Advanced Mediation Training-MSU College of Law Advanced Mediation Training, June 9, 2006, Troy, Michigan
- \* Judge-Mediation Advocacy Competition, Michigan State University College of Law, February, 2006, Lansing, Michigan
- \* Distinguished Visiting Jurist, Thomas M. Cooley Law School/Practice, Advocacy and Litigations Skill Department - MCR 2.411 Mediation Training - Lead Trainer, Fall Term, 2004; Co-lead Trainer Spring Term, 2005 to Summer Term, 2008; Trainer Winter Term, 2009
- \* Co-Lead Trainer, MSU College of Law MCR 2.411 Mediation Training -Fall term, 2004, to Winter term 2007
- \* Panelist "Court of Appeals Ruling Antrim County Treasurer v State of Michigan/Pure et al", Michigan Association of Petroleum Landmen, September, 2004
- \* Mediation Training Coach/Dispute Resolution Center of Central Michigan MCR 2.411 Facilitative Mediation Training Course, April, 2004
- \* Speaker/Panel Member, Alternative Dispute Resolution/Michigan State University-DCL College of Law / Moot Court Mediation Practice Program, March, 2004
- \* Speaker, "Real Property Titles", Greater Lansing Estate Planning Council, October, 2003

- \* Speaker, "Facilitative Mediation", Michigan Association of Petroleum Landmen, September, 2003
- \* Speaker, "Tax Reverted Lands", Michigan Association of Petroleum Landmen, April, 2003
- \* Guest Speaker, "MCR 2.411 Mediator Training", Dispute Resolution Center of Central Michigan, November, 2002
- \* Speaker, "Real Estate Pitfalls, Mistakes and Strategies", State Bar of Michigan, Family Law Section Annual Seminar, June, 2002
- \* Speaker, "Real Property Issues in Divorce", Ingham County Bar Association, Family Law Section, March, 2002
- \* Speaker, "Acquisition Due Diligence", Michigan Association of Petroleum Landmen Seminar, September, 2000
- \* Co-author, MICHIGAN BAR JOURNAL, February 1999, page 140, "Across the Great Divide: Surface Owners v Severed Mineral Owners -What is "Reasonable Use"?
- \* Moderator, Institute of Continuing Legal Education (ICLE), "Counseling Your Clients on Oil, Gas, Natural Resources and Their Property", May, 1993
- \* Speaker, Institute of Continuing Legal Education (ICLE) Oil and Gas Update, May, 1990
- \* Speaker, Mid-Michigan Region of the Women Lawyers' Association, January, 1990
- \* Panelist "Dormant Minerals Act", Michigan Association of Petroleum Landmen, September, 1988

 Awards
 2016
 The Best Lawyers in America for Arbitration, Mediation and Oil and Gas Law

- 2016 Lawyer of the Year for Arbitration in the Lansing Area by the Best Lawyers
- 2015 The Best Lawyers in America Award for Arbitration, Mediation and Oil and Gas Law
- 2014 The Best Lawyers in America Award for Oil and Gas and Alternative Dispute Resolution
- 2014 Lawyer of the Year for Mediation in the Lansing Area by the Best Lawyers
- 2013 Bar Register of Preeminent Women Lawyers by LexisNexis/Martindale-Hubbell

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	2013		The Best Lawyers in America Award for Oil and Gas and Alternative Dispute Resolution
2012			Lawyer of the Year for Arbitration in the Lansing Area by the Best Lawyers
	2012		The Best Lawyers in America Award for Oil and Gas and Alternative Dispute Resolution
	12/201	1	Top Lawyers by The American Lawyer
	2011 2010 2009 2008		The Best Lawyers in America Award for Oil and Gas and Alternative Dispute Resolution
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			The Best Lawyers in America Award for Oil and Gas
	2002		Mediator of the Year Award—Dispute Resolution Center of Central Michigan
Professional Memberships	*	Membe	er of the National Academy of Distinguished Neutrals
* *	*	Panel	Member of the National Center for Dispute Settlement
	*	Hearin	g panelist for the State of Michigan Attorney Discipline Board
	* Mem		er, State of Michigan Bar Association:
		-	Former Chair of Oil, Gas & Natural Resources Committee of the Real Property Section
		-	Member of the Alternate Dispute Resolution Section
		-	Former Member of the Alternate Dispute Resolution Council
			-Former Chair of the ADR Council Government Task Force subcommittee.
	* Mem		er, Ingham County Bar Association
		-	Member Real Property Section
		-	Member of the Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee
	*	Membe	er, Michigan Oil & Gas Association (1981 to the present)
		-	Former Chair Legislative Liaison Committee - Assisted in drafting legislation, testifying at state legislative hearings on behalf of association; meet with legislators and special interest groups

negotiating compromise of proposed legislation; maintenance and facilitation of relationships with environmental groups, legislators and regulatory agency personnel.

- Member, Legal & Legislative Committee Review pending legislation and offer counsel to the Board of Directors regarding potential impact on membership, recommend modifications, assist in drafting legislation and negotiation of compromise of proposed legislation, legal advocacy.
- Member of the former Public Relations Committee Activities to advance and promote public perception of the oil and gas industry and corporate members.
- \* Member, Michigan Association of Petroleum Landmen (1981 to the present)
- \* Former Board Member, Dispute Resolution Center of Central Michigan, 2001 to 2011
  - Volunteer Mediator
- \* Co-President, Dispute Resolution Center of Central Michigan, 2005/2006
- \* Neutral on the roster of the American Arbitration Association, 2006 to the present
- \* Member of the Ingham Count Circuit Court ADR Oversight Committee, 2003 to the present

**References** Available upon request