



David Goldberg

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Practice Overview

David is a full time litigator and accredited mediator as well as undertaking conciliations under the Federation of Master Builders and Funeral Arbitration Schemes.

He acts for household names, SME's, small businesses, entrepreneurs, sole traders and individuals.

His approach to mediation is hands on, building a rapport then focussing on the more difficult areas requiring attention rather than avoiding them to bridge barriers and find commercial common ground.

David's webinar on the benefits of mediation can be viewed by clicking [here](#).

Professional Background

Over 25 years, David has been involved in a wide variety of commercial disputes for Claimants and Defendants in assorted industry sectors, of different sizes in the County Court, the High Court, the TCC and the Court of Appeal.

David has experience of 40+ mediation and conciliations. David has mediated the following matters: a substantial multinational licence agreement dispute in the biotechnology sector, an equipment leasing dispute between a funder and national gym group, a 30 year long property/trust dispute contested in more than one jurisdiction, a large/international web solution and associated Commercial Agents Regulations dispute, a long running B2B dispute concerning a gas supply, a partnership dispute relating to the dissolution of a dental practice, a dispute concerning unfair prejudice Petitions and Cross Petitions and associated proceedings in Germany concerning a Joint Venture.

An ADR Group Accredited Online Mediator since May 2020.

Endorsements

David Goldberg *"exemplifies all the qualities of an excellent mediator and conciliator, and is always able to have the parties come to an amicable and final agreement"*. Legal 500, 2022.

"I was impressed, the mediation was conducted in a way that was both professional, relaxed and very practical, and this engendered an atmosphere that really helped promote a settlement in a long running and hotly contested dispute".

"It needed David's pragmatic approach and his determination to force through a settlement which all parties needed in this complex and highly personal commercial dispute to bring this matter to an end".



"Highly effective. I was impressed with his relentless commercial approach, and achieving a settlement in a complex case where the allegations by all parties were of the most serious kind and the level of distrust remained high." (Counsel).

"David did an excellent job of bridging a wide gap between the parties to my mediation: he handled some difficult characters very effectively, and got a sensible practical deal over the line. Thank you, David!" (Counsel).

"David, thank you for your skilled guidance through this process." (lay participant)

"I am happy for you to share with others that I thought your straightforward approach to the matter was spot on. You knew enough about the matter to talk through issues with the clients, and to do so sensitively given the issues at stake, but you commendably kept a keen eye on how progress could be achieved. It was useful that you had your own thoughts on what might work to make progress and were thinking laterally about what could be part of any settlement. Pushing my client from time to time gave me some comfort that you were pushing our opponent too. It was not a mediation which was going to turn, or required analysis on, legal issues and it was useful that you steered clear of the minutiae of the case for that reason. I am rarely impressed with mediators, but would happily recommend you to others where that sort of straight talking approach is required." (Partner, DWF)

"I should like to take this opportunity to thank David for his expertise, persuasive and commercial experience in handling the mediation at which the parties settled."

"I will of course be speaking with colleagues informally as cases arise, and will certainly bear you in mind." Partner, New York International Law Firm.

"David is a highly experienced mediator who's pragmatic and direct style brought the skills needed to get the mediation concluded when it looked like an agreement was unachievable. David controlled proceedings from the start and ensured clarity of process and message throughout the day. Happy to highly recommend."

"David took the practical and firm line that was needed to achieve a hard-won settlement. He was hands on - not afraid to take a view on the legal issues and to push the parties to keep a focus on commercial discussions. As a result, a compromise was reached where it appeared unlikely and we left with that rare thing after a mediation - a happy client."

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