

**MICHAEL
STARR, ESQ.**

NEUTRAL BIO

Michael Starr has served as a court-appointed mediator and early neutral evaluator for federal and state courts in New York City for over 25 years. Before becoming a full-time neutral, he was a partner at national law firms engaging in complex civil litigation for a range of both employment and commercial matters. A fellow of the College of Labor and Employment Lawyers, Mr. Starr's nationwide practice focused on employment law litigation and counseling. Often engaged for cutting-edge issues of substance, bankruptcy and reorganization, and other business-to-business matters. He is a member of the roster of neutral for the NYS Supreme Court Commercial Divisions for New York and Suffolk counties, the U.S. District Court for the Eastern and Southern Districts of New York, and the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the SDNY. Drawing on his years of experience mediating labor disputes, Michael Starr practices facilitative mediation. Believing that in the practical affairs of life, there is no such thing as good or bad, only better or worse than the alternative, his goal in mediation is to assist the parties in finding a mutually acceptable outcome that is, for each side, better than the alternative of continuing to litigate.



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EXPERTISE

- Wage-Hour/FLSA
- Discrimination & Harassment
- Restrictive Covenants Duty of Loyalty
- Misappropriation of Trade Secrets
- Executive Employment Contracts
- Commercial Leases
- Residential and Commercial Property
- Shareholder Agreements Business Sales and Dissolutions
- Franchises and Distributorships
- Sale-of-Goods Contracts
- Trademarks, Trade Secrets and Unfair Competition
- Health-care Provider Contracts
- Commissions and Professional Fees

EDUCATION

Yale Law School, J.D., 1979.
University of Michigan, Ph.D. (philosophy), 1976
Binghamton University (Harpur College), B.A. summa cum laude, 1970

ADMISSIONS

New York State United States
District Courts for the Eastern, Southern and Western Districts of New York
United States Court of Appeals for the 2nd, 9th and District of Columbia Circuits
United States Supreme Court

LOCATION

NY Metro

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