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John is a full-time mediator. He has handled over 5,500 mediations during his 43 years as a Trial Lawyer and Mediator in a wide variety of substantive practice areas. Specializing in pre- and post-suit, multi-party, high value, layered and complex disputes, Mr. Freud brings a unique style and structure to each and every mediation environment. His focus is not merely on the facts of a particular conflict, but more importantly, it includes a persistent effort to determine the underlying Drivers of decision-making of each participant - party and lawyer alike - in the mediation process.

Whether it's a construction defect dispute, or mass tort/personal injury/wrongful death matter (i.e., FIU Bridge & Miami-Dade College Garage collapses; San Madera Homeowners Association, Brickell House actions; PULSE Nightclub shooting matters) - or any number and variety of complex matters, such as real property, business, banking, professional malpractice, product liability, class action, commercial and environmental disputes; patent, copyright, trademark and intellectual property matters; all facets of insurance, suretyship, wind-related matters, including first and third-party claims, and bad faith; and, ADA, employment discrimination, and police/public official/governmental/administrative and Federal Agency conflicts - John's disciplined and purposefully structured approach to the mediation process provides a fully engaged environment for all mediation participants to be able to navigate their way to voluntary resolution.

EDUCATION

- Brandeis University - B.A., Magna Cum Laude, 1978
- University of Miami School of Law - Juris Doctorate, 1981

HONORS/DISTINCTIONS

- Martindale-Hubbell - AV Rating, 30+ yrs.
- Chambers - Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Who's Who in Construction - Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Who's Who in America/American Law
- Who's Who of Emerging Leaders in America
- Florida Legal Elite – 2007 - 08
- Super Lawyers 2010 - present, FL Alternative Dispute Resolution, Top 100 Miami

MEMBERSHIPS IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Florida Bar - active
- Texas Bar - active
- Massachusetts Bar - retired
- National Association of Distinguished Neutrals (NADN)-Executive Board member
- Texas Mediator Credentialing Association - Distinguished Credentialed Mediator F. Construction Dispute Resolution Services

ADMISSIONS TO PRACTICE/CERTIFICATIONS

- Florida Supreme Court
- Texas Supreme Court
- Commonwealth of Massachusetts Supreme Court - Retired
- United States District Courts of Florida
- United States Court of Appeals - 5th & 11th Circuits
- United States Supreme Court
- Certified Civil Circuit/County/Appellate Mediator - FL Supreme Court
- Listed, Federal District Courts Florida
- Qualified Arbitrator - FL Supreme Court
- Circuit Mediation Primary Trainer - FL Supreme Court
- Texas Mediator Credentialing Association – Credentialed Distinguished Mediator

SPECIFIC MATTERS HANDLED AND REFERENCES

Available upon request.

INTERESTS

- Of-Counsel to Freud Law, LLC - McClennan County (Waco), TX Texas Innocence Project; Animal Rescue - Canine/Equine
- Fiction/Non-fiction writing