

Brian Leigh Gibbard B.A., LL.B., C.MED

PROFILE

Established **Lawyer** and highly skilled **Mediator** with over 20 years experience in criminal, personal injury and corporate litigation including eight years in mediation. Possesses exceptional abilities in bringing parties together to reach timely and successful resolution to cases. An insightful and proactive negotiator with an ability to solve disputes through strong people, communication and diplomacy skills.

RELEVANT CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

Retained by ICBC, WCB and many law firms for mediation due to history of success in resolving cases

- Settled hundreds of cases in personal injury, negligence, construction, wrongful dismissal and discrimination cases
- Succeeded in resolving over 90% of all mediation cases
- Acted as Managing Partner at GBC Law overseeing all aspects of the firm's business

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

MEDIATOR (1998 – PRESENT) GREATER VANCOUVER, BC

- Contracted to mediate cases for WCB, ICBC, law firms, individuals and companies of various sizes
- Mediated hundreds of cases with an emphasis on personal injury and negligence claims
- Mediated a significant case load in construction, wrongful dismissal and discrimination cases

GREINER BETHELL & COMPANY - (1980 – 2006) BURNABY, BC

Managing Partner / Lawyer (2001 – Present)

- Manage all aspects of the firm's business, including finance and marketing
- Oversee human resources responsibilities for eight lawyers and twelve support staff
- Supervise two junior litigators

Partner / Lawyer (1986 – 2001)

- Contracted to mediate cases for WCB, ICBC and other professional bodies
- Mediated hundreds of cases with an emphasis on personal injury and negligence claims
- Mediated a significant case load in construction, wrongful dismissal and discrimination cases
- Represented many individuals and companies in litigation, with an emphasis on personal injury, construction and wrongful dismissal cases
- Supervised Associate litigator

Lawyer (1981 – 1986)

- Successfully conducted numerous civil and criminal trials before both judge and jury
- Supervised support staff
- Appeared as Counsel to the Coroner in Inquests

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- Appeared as Counsel in several civil mediations

EDUCATION

The Continuing Legal Education Society, Vancouver, BC

- Advanced Civil Mediation (1998)
- Fundamentals of Mediation (1997)

University of British Columbia VANCOUVER, BC

- LL.B (1980)
- B.A. in History (1976)

CERTIFICATIONS

- **Chartered Mediator (2005)**

MEMBERSHIPS

- British Columbia Mediation and Arbitration Institute
- Commercial Mediator's Association
- Mediation Roster Society
- Canadian Bar Association (including the Alternate Dispute Resolution sub-section)
- Law Society of British Columbia

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Coach – Lion's Gate Soccer Association
- Coach – North Shore Girls Association
- Coach – Highlands Little League
- Neighbourlink
- Coach and judge in UBC law school mediation and negotiation course

INTERESTS

Reading, Skiing, Percussion, Singing, Fitness