

Derek Minus

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Derek Minus is a barrister-at-law and a dispute resolution specialist.

He is the former President of The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, Australian Branch, and dual qualified as a Fellow of that Institute, by both arbitration and mediation.

He holds a Masters in Law majoring in Dispute Resolution and is Nationally Accredited to Australian National Mediator Standards by the NSW Bar, Victorian Bar and The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.

Derek is an expert in conducting combined conciliation/ mediation/ arbitration processes available under the new *NSW Commercial Arbitration Act 2010* which he did as a member of the NSW Workers Compensation Commission for a period of eight years.

Derek is a barrister practising in commercial, trade practices and personal injury matters and is a member of the NSW and Victorian Bars.

A Chartered Arbitrator since 2002, he has worked as a part-time member of the New South Wales Local Court, District Court, Consumer Trader and Tenancy Tribunal and Workers Compensation Commission, conducting thousands of hearings and delivering hundreds of awards.

An advanced and Accredited Mediator since 1992, he has conducted well over 1,000 mediations and conciliations for government panels and private matters involving contractual, workers compensation, building, franchising, family relationship, patent and property disputes.

He has been approved by the NSW Bar Association as an Arbitrator, appointed to the list of District Court arbitrators for 2011/12, the list of Local Court arbitrators for 2010/11, approved as an Expert Determiner, re-accredited as a Mediator and appointed to the NSW Supreme Court list and the District Court list of mediators for 2011/12.

In twenty years practice as a lawyer he has been engaged to conduct the investigation, mediation or arbitration of numerous personnel and employee disputes.

His aim is to use collaborative strategies to help people achieve not just the settlement of their dispute but the transformation of their conflict.