

Lee Jay Berman

Since 1994, **Lee Jay Berman** has been a full-time mediator, successfully mediating over 1,300 cases in his 15 years. He is a Distinguished Fellow with the International Academy Mediators, a charter Diplomat with the California Academy of Distinguished Neutrals, one of the first 13 mediators certified by the International Mediation Institute in The Hague, and a Dispute Resolution Expert for the United Nations Development Programme. He is on the mediation panels of the American Arbitration Association (AAA) and Arbitration Mediation Conciliation Centers (AMCC).



Also a world renowned trainer, he is the founder and President of the American Institute of Mediation in Los Angeles. From 2002-2009, he was Director of the "*Mediating the Litigated Case*" program for the Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution at the Pepperdine University School of Law, and he teaches "*Mediating the Complex Case*" for the Institute for Conflict Management at Lipscomb University in Nashville. From 2003-2007, he served as national chair of the American Bar Association's Dispute Resolution Training Committee. Mr. Berman has conducted trainings for judges in Delhi, India, judges from The Kingdom of Jordan, for mediators in post-war Croatia, and business leaders in Amsterdam and Dubai, as well as for the AAA, and multiple bar associations, courts and mediation organizations. The inaugural ADR Director for the Santa Barbara Superior Courts, he served on the board of directors for the California Dispute Resolution Council and he currently serves on the California State Bar's Standing Committee on ADR.

Mr. Berman enjoys a thriving commercial mediation practice and enjoys doing public and private sector training in negotiation, mediation and conflict management. He lives in Marina del Rey, California with his wife, music industry executive Patricia Bock Berman.