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BIOGRAPHY

- *noblemediation, LLC* - Mediator/Arbitrator - Founding Principal (2009 - present).
- Meyer, Darragh, Buckler, Bebenek & Eck, P.L.L.C.: (1979-2009).
Equity Partner (1991-2009); Executive Committee (1994-1997).
- Admitted to practice in all State Courts in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (1982).
United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania; Third Circuit Court of Appeals.
- Juris Doctorate - Duquesne University School of Law/Evening Division (1982).
- BA Degree - Washington & Jefferson College (1978).

ADR EXPERIENCE

- **Mediation** - Mediating more than 3,000 civil matters since 2003 - primarily in Pennsylvania as well as West Virginia, Maryland, Ohio, New York, New Jersey and Connecticut. A significant percentage of the mediations involved complex medical malpractice/medical related claims as well as commercial/personal motor vehicle/personal injury. Mediation subject matter has also included the following; sexual assault/abuse claims, professional liability (hospital/emergency room, nursing, physical therapy, physician, dental and psychiatric malpractice), non-medical professional malpractice (architectural/legal), pharmaceutical liability, commercial motor carrier liability (including catastrophic multi-vehicle/multi-claimant accidents), complex/catastrophic products liability (motor vehicle manufacturer liability/crash worthiness, faulty airbag and faulty ignition claims, medical device, commercial fireworks, ATV, chain saw), PA HRC/EEOC (age, sex and race discrimination, hostile work environment, constructive termination), adult/minor sexual assault, attractive nuisance, complex construction/personal injury litigation, roadway design claims, fire loss/subrogation, real estate, property boundary/sub-division disputes, mold claims, ERISA, FELA, FCRA, partnership disputes, commercial premises and homeowners liability, dog bites, insurance-UIM/UM, bad faith, breach of contract, franchise disputes, electric utility liability, dram shop/liquor liability.
- **Arbitration** - Appointed/serving as Sole Binding Arbitrator throughout Pennsylvania 25-30 times per year, primarily medical malpractice, personal injury/motor vehicle and product liability claims. Appointed neutral, defense and/or plaintiff arbitrator in over 250 UIM/UM arbitration hearings, high-low baseball arbitrations as well as Binding Common Pleas Arbitration Hearings/Summary Jury Trials.

PUBLICATIONS

- "The Making of a Mediator-One Lawyer's Journey"-The Pennsylvania Lawyer.
- "The Making of a Mediator-Part Two"-The Pennsylvania Lawyer.
- "Mediation Update: Continuing Developments in ADR".
- "Practice Tips; Medical Malpractice Mediation and Arbitration".
- PBA Arbitration and Mediation Newsletter.
- "Federal Court Launches "Pilot" ADR Program"-Westmoreland County's Sidebar.

- *The “M” Word Cometh - Just How Prepared Are You?*-PBA’s Civil Litigation Update.
- *“Mediation Advocacy-Winning the Negotiations”-Today’s Attorney.*
- *“The Mediation Explosion - Have You Heard About It?”-Today’s Attorney.*

SPEAKING OUT

- Frequent speaker specifically pertaining to Alternative Dispute Resolution.

EXPERT EXPERIENCE

- Expert witness qualification in Professional Legal Malpractice claim - Allegheny County.

PAST/PRESENT BAR ASSOCIATIONS AND PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Allegheny, Washington and Westmoreland County Bar Associations; Pennsylvania and American Bar Associations.
- President: Westmoreland Bar Association (2016-2017);
Board of Directors: Westmoreland County Bar Association(2013-2016);
Committees: ADR (Chair/co-Chair), Civil Litigation, Activities and Bench Bar;
Committee of the Year Award - ADR Committee (2014); Westmoreland Trial Academy;
Founder: Westmoreland Mediation Academy; Cooperative Divorce Center.
- Pennsylvania Bar Association Professional Liability Committee
Special Achievement Award - PBA Annual Meeting.

The Pennsylvania Bar Association honored John Noble for his “significant contribution” in the creation of CD-ROMS by the PBA Professional Liability Committee, which have become a vital part of the malpractice avoidance programs conducted annually statewide. “His participation in writing and directing in the vignettes, as well as the on-screen acting, have resulted in high-quality teaching materials for both the County Bar and law-firm malpractice avoidance programs.”

- Mediation Council of Western Pennsylvania, Board of Director (2015-2017).