

IN PLACE OF STRIFE

The Mediation Chambers



Mark Jackson-Stops MA ACI Arb

Mark Jackson-Stops qualified as a chartered surveyor in 1973 and spent more than twenty years in private practice before becoming a full-time mediator in the 1990s. He trained as a mediator in the UK with CEDR, by whom he is accredited, and also with USA&M, then one of the largest US mediation practices, in Houston and El Paso, Texas.

Mark is an alumnus of the Program for the Instruction of Lawyers, 2001, at Harvard Law School under Professor Roger Fisher. He is on the mediation panel of the Court of Appeal, a member of the Dispute Resolution Committee of the Civil Justice Council, a Distinguished Fellow of the International Academy of Mediators, and is on the Panel of Distinguished Neutrals of the CPR Institute for Conflict Prevention and Resolution (New York).

He is now one of the busiest and most experienced mediators working in the UK having conducted over 900 mediations, covering amongst other subjects:

- Commercial contracts (including Sale of Goods)
- Construction and property
- Defamation
- Employment
- Financial services
- Franchising
- Insurance
- Mortgage lending
- Partnership disputes
- Pensions and life assurance
- Pensions and endowment mis-selling
- Personal injury
- Probate and Inheritance
- Professional negligence
- Rights of Way, boundaries and Adverse Possession
- Shareholder disputes
- Taxation

As a chartered surveyor, Mark's experience covered principally property development and finance, landlord and tenant negotiations, property investment and management and valuation. When in practice as a chartered surveyor, he held appointments as an expert valuer in a number of professional negligence cases and also acted as a Receiver under the Law of Property Act.

'Exceptionally capable and learned', Mark Jackson-Stops of In Place of Strife rises to the top tier this year, having won the confidence of the legal profession who normally prefer their own. In doing so he has consistently demonstrated 'the ability to get on top of a large amount of complicated paper-work' and to 'grasp the legal and commercial issues underlying disputes'. He has 'no difficulty in imposing his authority and personality on a large group of senior people, and he has a very informal and inclusive style of dealing with different groups'; 'inventive and persistent in devising strategies', he continues to impress.

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