

# IN PLACE OF STRIFE

The Mediation Chambers



Quentin Smith

Quentin Smith was formerly a partner with Addleshaw Goddard. He has been in the law since 1985, prior to which he was a manager of social work projects.

Quentin specialises in commercial litigation, personal injury (particularly cases of utmost severity) and has extensive experience of professional negligence disputes. He became a CEDR accredited mediator in January 1998 and has been a full time mediator since May 2007.

He has mediated a wide variety of disputes including:

- Clinical negligence
- Commercial contracts
- Construction
- Corporate affairs (including shareholder disputes)
- Defamation
- Employment
- Financial services
- Insurance
- Partnership
- Personal injury
- Professional negligence
- Property
- Sport

Quentin has mediated over 400 cases with a success rate of over 90%. He has extensive experience in arts, media and sport, including fine art, theatre management and music. He is a member of CEDR's teaching faculty and frequently writes, lectures and presents on mediation. He is Chair of Sale Rugby Football Club ("Sale Sharks").

"Wins the trust of both sides; he can get through to people on a human level"

"Energetic and persuasive"

"Hard-working and able to pick up difficult issues quickly"

"Excellent reputation...assured touch"

"Assertive approach lends itself well to the mediation process"

"He stands out because he not only sees the big picture, but he also gets into the nitty-gritty detail."

"An increasingly familiar face in complex mediations."

Chambers Guide to the Legal Profession, 2002-2010

"Thoughtful and very bright"

"His analysis is spot-on and he tackles the issues head-on"

"Hugely clever; a skilled and intuitive negotiator"

"A tireless worker and generous with his time"

"He has a clever way of bringing parties to a settlement which rarely fails"

The Legal 500, 2005 - 2009