

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Application for Mediators

Please complete the entire application, using additional paper if necessary. You may also attach a resume.

Name: Ronnie Fred Craig

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ADMISSIONS AND AFFILIATIONS

Date admitted to the Bar of the District of South Carolina: 8 July 1992 I.D. No.: 5624

Date admitted to the South Carolina Bar: 20 Nov 1991 Bar No.: 12532

Other courts or jurisdictions to which admitted (with dates of admission and bar nos.):

North Carolina - 23 AUG 1997 : Bar # 24182 / ARKANSAS - 30 Sept 1986
Bar # 86186

Membership and positions held in bar, ADR and professional associations:

NC Bar Assoc AR Bar Assoc
SC Bar Assoc Mecklenburg Co Bar Assoc

Are you a member in good standing in each jurisdiction where admitted to practice law? yes no

Have you, within the last five years, been publicly reprimanded or publicly disciplined for professional conduct?
 yes no

Have you, within the last five years, been denied admission to a bar for character or ethical reasons, or been disbarred/suspended from the practice of law? yes no

EDUCATION

Year law degree received 1986 Law School Univ. of Arkansas at Little Rock

Other professional degrees received (including year and school):

St Andrews Presbyterian College B.A. Chemistry/Philosophy

LEGAL EXPERIENCE (A minimum of five years of law practice required).

34 total years of law practice

Summarize legal experience (including teaching) since admission to the bar, particularly in the past five years:

- Civil (defense) practice active in both NC & SC in State & Federal Courts
- Special Assistant U.S. Attorney 1990-1991
- U.S. Navy JAGC officer 1986-1991

Percentage of practice in last 5 years representing plaintiff 1 % or defense 99 %

Percentage of Federal or State court practice in last 5 years: Federal 1 % State 99 %

Number of years engaged in active litigation: 30 yrs

SUBSTANTIVE EXPERIENCE

Indicate all substantive areas in which you have experience. Place a "1" by your strongest area(s) and a "2" by all other areas in which you have experience. (Do not rank beyond "1" and "2.") After any category you have marked, please identify any sub-areas of experience you have (e.g. "medical malpractice" after Personal Injury).

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Admiralty | <input type="checkbox"/> Security or Shareholders suits |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Antitrust | <input type="checkbox"/> Labor |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contracts | <input type="checkbox"/> ERISA |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environment | <input type="checkbox"/> Wrongful Termination |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fraud or Civil RICO | <input type="checkbox"/> Civil Rights in Employment |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Civil Rights |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Miller Act | <input type="checkbox"/> Copyrights |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Personal Injury | <input type="checkbox"/> Patent |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Product Liability | <input type="checkbox"/> Trademark |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) | |

Publications:

MEDIATION EXPERIENCE

Mediation experience (particularly in the subject matter categories above):

Conducted State Court Mediations for last 8 years in both NC & SC

Other courts or organizations for whom you serve as a mediator (please note any certifications): NC

Number of mediations conducted: ≈ 300 Number of other ADR sessions conducted: _____

MEDIATION AND OTHER ADR TRAINING

<u>Course Provider</u>	<u>Course Content</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>No. of Hours</u>
mediation Inc	Superior Ct Med Trainings	Mar 2007	Charlotte NC	40 hrs
• Continual ADR training since 2007 - present for both NC & SC ADR				

OTHER INFORMATION

Are you familiar with the statutes, rules and practice governing alternative dispute resolution in the District of South Carolina? yes no

Other relevant experience or skills or other information you would like considered in connection with this application:

- I have a full time litigation practice and manage our Clawson & Staubes Charlotte office, handling cases regularly in both States.
- Martindale Hubbell AV Rating

Cities in which you are available to conduct mediation:

Columbia Charleston Greenville Florence

Other: _____

Fees charged:

Hourly Rate: \$ 325.00 Minimum charge each mediation: \$ 0

How do you bill for travel? (explain):

- Charge 1/2 hrly rate for mileage exceeding 50 miles

I agree to: (1) Be subject to the Rules of Professional Conduct, Rule 407, South Carolina Appellate Court Rules; the Rules for Lawyer Disciplinary Enforcement, Rule 413, South Carolina Appellate Court Rules; and the Local Rules of the District Court; (2) Provide mediation to indigents without pay if ordered by the Court; (3) Notify the Alternative Dispute Resolution Program Director of any change in the above facts or otherwise in my ability to perform duties as a mediator; (4) Disclosure of information contained in this application to litigants and other members of the public.

I certify that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signature: *Pamela Gray*
Applicant

Date: 29 Nov 2022

Return completed application to:
Billie Goodman, Coordinator
Alternative Dispute Resolution Program
United States District Court
901 Richland Street
Columbia, SC 29201

Reviewed: s/ Billie B. Goodman

Date: 11/30/22

Approved: s/ David C. Norton
ADR Program
U.S. District Judge

Date: 11/30/22



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Ronnie graduated from St. Andrews College where he double majored in Chemistry and Philosophy. In college as a sprinter, he lettered in track 3 years, and was named Academic All-Conference in the Dixie Athletic Conference. Ronnie also served as a teaching assistant under Dr. Harry Harvin and was appointed as Assistant Director of Logistics for the St. Andrews College Sciences Laboratory. He assisted in directing lab operations for the departments of Chemistry, Biology and Physics. After college, Ronnie worked to put himself through law school in Arkansas. He was appointed to the Law Review, and later served as a law clerk for Judge Andree Layton Rolf prior to her appointment as Associate Justice for the Arkansas Supreme Court.

Ronnie serves as a certified Mediator for North Carolina Superior Court cases and South Carolina Circuit Court cases. Ronnie routinely mediates cases and enjoys helping parties resolve their conflicts.

Ronnie entered the United States Navy in 1986, serving in the JAG Corps, where he served as Staff Judge Advocate, Commander SUBRON EIGHTEEN; Commanding Officer, U.S.S. Holland (AS-32), Commanding Officer, U.S. Naval Air Station, Guam; and Assistant Staff Judge Advocate, Commander, U.S. Naval Forces, Marianas. During his tenure, he was awarded the Navy Achievement Medal, Navy Commendation Medal and National Defense Service Medal for his actions supporting the operational coalition forces during the first Gulf War. Ronnie successfully prosecuted on behalf of the government, the murder trial of UNITED STATES v. HERNANDEZ. He was appointed by the Department of Justice to serve as a Special Assistant, United States Attorney, and prosecuted numerous civilians for committing crimes on U.S. military installations.

Following his military service, Ronnie joined Clawson and Staubes. He initially worked in the Charleston office, and later moved to and opened the Charlotte office. Ronnie is licensed to practice law in Arkansas, North Carolina and South Carolina. He concentrates in complex and catastrophic injury and death cases, handling traumatic brain injuries, spinal cord injuries, burn cases, and quadriplegia. Ronnie has obtained defense verdicts in both NC and SC cases, involving claimed damages of \$300,000.00+

Ronnie was born in Rutherford College, NC and grew up in western North Carolina. Ronnie enjoys music. He played piano, guitar, cello, was an avid singer (1st tenor) and actor in high school and college, and has also performed in bluegrass bands. Ronnie's hobbies today include singing, playing music, calligraphy, collecting flags, teaching vexillology, and performing volunteer work supporting local schools and his community. His wife Joanne, served in the US Navy, and they have 3 children, Billy, Ben and Emily.