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Mediating Trust & Estate Disputes

with David Stark

Thursday, May 22, 2025

Live webinar with chat

includes 60 day replay*

9:00 am – 10:30 am (Pacific)

10:00 am – 11:30 am (Mountain)

11:00 am – 12:30 pm (Central)

12:00 pm – 1:30 pm (Eastern)

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1:30 pm – 3:00 pm (Newfoundland)

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WHO SHOULD ATTEND

This program will be useful to trusts and estates practitioners and mediators of all experience levels.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Trust and estate disputes present unique challenges, often involving emotionally charged issues and complex family dynamics. Unlike corporate or contractual matters, these disputes can deeply affect relationships, making mediation a powerful tool for resolving conflicts early while preserving family ties and avoiding costly, public litigation. This highly practical webinar with David Paul Stark will offer a mediator's perspective on how counsel can prepare for and make the best use of mediation to increase the chances of a successful outcome in estate and trust disputes. Among the topics David will address are:

- unique aspects of estate mediation
- what to consider when preparing for mediation
- identifying the real cause of the disagreement
- building a framework for productive discussions
- getting past impasses and roadblocks; and
- ensuring any agreements are fair and enforceable

Along the way David will share proven strategies for managing client expectations, navigating sensitive family dynamics and finding creative solutions. Don't miss this chance to learn how to become a more effective advocate at mediation and help your clients achieve a successful resolution of estate and trust disputes. Whether you're new to estate mediation or just looking to refine your approach, you'll be glad you attended!

SCHEDULE (Eastern)

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm

Welcome and Introduction

When Mediation Can Work/When It May Not Be Appropriate

Steps and Considerations in Preparing for Mediation

Effective Techniques and Approaches for Counsel at Mediation

Documenting the Settlement

Program Wrap-up and Evaluation

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- “Very helpful program, appreciated all the practical examples.”
- “Very informative and much better and more comprehensive than expected.”
- “Terrific program. A lot of useful information in a short time. Well done.”
- “Practical, thoughtful presentation. A good refresher and update to my practice in estates.”



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MEET YOUR PRESENTER



David Stark is an independent mediator/lawyer who works out of Calgary, Alberta. He is a graduate from the Faculty of Law, University of Alberta, and a member of the Law Society of Alberta, and The British Columbia Mediation Roster Society. An enthusiastic and

and effective mediator with over 30 years experience in the field of Alternate Dispute Resolution, David has participated in over 3,000 mediations, and over 1,200 mediations as a mediator, including wills and estate cases. David speaks often and widely on the benefits of interest-based negotiation, mediation and other legal topics, including for the Legal Education Society of Alberta, Mount Royal University, and the University of Alberta and the University of Calgary Law Schools. In addition, he offers training on alternative dispute resolution, communication and other topics through his firm, Stark Mediation. David also writes regularly on mediation topics for legal publications, including the *Lawyers Weekly*.

✓ **Yes, I want to attend Mediating Trust & Estate Disputes, with David Stark**

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