

Michael Bartlet **MBE MA LLMPGD**

IS A QUALIFIED MEDIATOR (**Junior Mediator**)

General Information

Michael is a CEDR qualified mediator and senior teaching fellow for Undergraduate and Postgraduate ADR at the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS) London University where he also teaches Public Law. He combines a depth of experience in finding win-win solutions with a rigorous determination to find creative outcomes to intractable disputes. His mediation acumen is uniquely suited to finding solutions to cross-cultural disputes. For seventeen years he represented British Quakers in their work with Parliament and Government and was seconded to the Commission on Equality and Human Rights to advise on the incorporation of religion and belief discrimination into their cross-strand work on equality.

Michael is an experienced community mediator, a panel mediator of the IDRS Funeral Arbitration Service and a member of the board of Mediation Hertfordshire. He is also an individual member of the Civil Mediation Council and CISAS adjudicator.

He is willing to be flexible about fees and happy to have a pre-confirmation telephone discussions with clients.

Mediation Areas

- Public Sector
- Discrimination and Equality
- Education and Health
- Family and intergenerational disputes
- Personal Injury and Professional Negligence
- Landlord and Tenant

Qualifications

CEDR accredited mediator 2013

LLM, University College London 2004

Bar Finals, Inns of Court School of Law 1992

Graduate Diploma of Law, City University 1991

PGCE, Institute of Education 1983

English BA (Hons), Oxford University 1978

Professional Background

Michael Bartlet studied English Literature at Balliol, Oxford before taking a Postgraduate Diploma of Law at City University. He was called to the Bar (Middle Temple) 1992 and completed pupillages at Cloisters and 4 Brick Court. He has an LLM with a speciality in Public Law and Human Rights from UCL. He worked in public affairs in the voluntary sector, advising and representing Quakers in their relations with Parliament and government. He was seconded to the transition Commission on Equality and Human Rights to advise on the development of cross-strand work on equality and was a lead negotiator in creating the right to celebrate same sex marriages in religious premises in England and Wales. He has experience of teaching in schools, colleges and universities and for the British Council in Ecuador. He coached the SOAS team for the International Bar Association negotiation and mediation competition in Vienna, coaching the winning contestant for 2018.

Experience

Refugee Council Trustee 2005 to 2012 and Chair of Asylum Rights Campaign 2003 to 2006 Michael has extensive experience of conflict resolution both in a work context and as a mediator. As a Chair of the Asylum Rights Campaign, he conciliated disputes between voluntary sector organisations and was a co-author of 'Providing Protection in the Twenty-First Century'. He has mediated 50 community disputes and has a commitment to mediating cases where there is a continuing relationship between the parties. He is a CEDR CISAS adjudicator and on the consumer panel for mediating disputes for members of the Federation Master Builders and for the Funeral Arbitration Service. Experience as a teacher in schools, colleges, university and adult education for the British Council in Ecuador and W.E.A. in the U.K.

Participated in Harvard Law School Executive Education's Advanced Mediation Workshop in Mediating Complex Disputes (June 2019).

Articles and Publications

Mediation Secrets 'in the Shadow of the Law' *Civil Justice Quarterly*, Vol 35 Issue 1, 2015

Conscience in the Courts - another view of Eweida, recent developments in Equality Law, *Law and Justice* December 2013

Feedback

"Many thanks for your tremendous assistance at what proved to be a long and difficult day mediating. I was most impressed by your willingness to engage with my clients and to reach a settlement despite the apparent intransigence of the parties. I believe that without your contribution my clients would have spent thousands at trial unnecessarily and confirms my view that mediation, particularly when a skillful mediator like yourself is involved, is often the best way of settling a dispute." Barrett & Thompson Solicitors

"Michael was very good and we were very happy with the result achieved, this meant the client did not have to go to the expense of instructing us to represent him on a two-day trial which he could ill afford." Lovell Chohan Solicitors

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