

David Harris **Solicitor**

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

General Information

David has conducted **more than 170 mediations** and is highly experienced, having mediated for **over 10 years**. In addition to being a mediator, David is a highly experienced litigation solicitor.

He uses his **highly pragmatic approach to resolve difficult and seemingly intractable disputes**.

David has a relaxed approach whilst listening to parties needs and concerns and then **steering them towards a resolution of their differences**

David draws upon over **35 years of experience** as a company and commercial litigation solicitor. His knowledge and understanding of the technical and procedural issues (and the costs) that can sometimes bog down parties in litigation help him to **grasp very quickly the best route forward** for the parties and where appropriate to press the parties to reality test their current position.

David has a calm and relaxed style but he is not afraid of taking a **"hands on" approach** and being blunt with the parties where it is necessary.

David is a partner in the niche commercial solicitors practice, Chandler Harris LLP. He is a fully accredited commercial mediator and a member of Civil Mediation Council.

The cases and mediations David has worked on include:

- **Director and shareholder disputes**
- **Intellectual Property and trade mark disputes**
- **Property and building disputes** including disputes regarding **covenants over retained land and misrepresentation**
- **Construction disputes**
- **Service charge and ground rent disputes**
- **Property damage cases**
- **Landlord and Tenant disputes**
- **Misrepresentation**
- **Personal Guarantee disputes**
- **Defamation**
- **Misuse of private information**
- **Passing off claims**
- **Music management contracts and royalties disputes**
- **GDPR claims**
- **Tolata Claims**
- **Boundary disputes**
- **Neighbour disputes**
- **Bridging finance disputes**
- **Rights of way disputes**
- **Prescriptive title claims**
- **Employment disputes**
- **Commercial Lease disputes**
- **High value and complex breach of contract cases**
- **FCA conduct and regulatory matters**
- **Disputes regarding unpaid professional fees**
- **Disputes regarding renewal of commercial leases**
- **Share purchase agreement litigation** and disputes
- **Complex partnership disputes** and dissolutions
- **Insolvency litigation** including **preference actions, disputed transfers at undervalue** and **claims against directors**
- **Defamation**
- **Paternity fraud cases**
- **Complex clinical negligence claims**
- **Disputes regarding share transfers** within **associate companies**
- **Company commercial matters**

- **Property and housing disrepair claims**
- **Leasehold extension disputes**
- **Employment disputes**
- **Disputes regarding unpaid professional fees**
- **Professional negligence claims**
- **Property litigation**
- **Construction cases**
- **Commercial lease dilapidations**
- **Inter company loan disputes**
- **Company unfair prejudice petitions**
- **Racial discrimination claims**
- **Personal Injury claims**
- **Workplace mediations**
- Disputes regarding **healthcare and welfare** (including **capacity** issues re **dementia** and **long term care** and **social services assessments**)
- **Sex and Gender** discrimination claims
- **Education** disputes
- **Solicitors negligence cases**
- **Possession claims and wrongful occupation cases**
- **Construction and property** litigation and dispute
- **Misuse of confidential information** by employee and breach of employee duties
- **Employment and unfair dismissal** claims
- **Nuisance claims**
- **Actions against the Police and CPS for malicious prosecution**
- **Conspiracy by unlawful means**
- **Employment tribunal matters**
- **Insolvency** cases (including disputes with **Liquidators** and Trustees in **Bankruptcy**)
- **Accountancy negligence** cases
- **Shareholder and director** disputes
- **Healthcare** service contract disputes
- **IT Consultancy and services** disputes
- **Libel and malicious** falsehood disputes.
- **Property** disputes within families and claims made pursuant to the **Trusts of Land and Appointment of Trustees Act 1996**.
- Disputed **fire damage** and **insurance** claims
- Claims for **professional negligence** against solicitors, accountants, surveyors, architects, financial advisers and stock brokers.
- Disputes regarding **breach of contract, interpretation of contracts** and losses arising from breach of contract.
- **Intellectual property** disputes (including **trade mark passing off** and **copyright** claims)
- **Website** and url disputes.
- Complex **property** and **shareholder** disputes.
- Disputes between **liquidators** and **company directors**.
- Disputes between **employers** and **employees**, former employees, former directors.
- Disputes regarding **computer software**.
- **URL and website** litigation.
- Litigation regarding **commercial agents and termination claims against principals**.
- **Credit Hire** cases
- **Disputed debts**.
- Noise interference claims
- **Disputes** between **directors of companies** and **receivers/administrators** and **banks** regarding the powers of banks and the powers of receivers appointed by banks.
- Resolving **boundary, land ownership** and **neighbour** issues.
- Disputes regarding **care home fees, private recovery** and **local authority funding**.
- **Mental capacity, powers of attorney** and **court of protection** disputes.
- Complicated disputes regarding the **prejudice** of **minority shareholders'** interests.
- **Clinical negligence** cases
- **Personal injuries**
- Disputes between companies regarding **faulty goods** and **services** and problems with the **supply chain**.
- **Harrassment and false imprisonment** proceedings.
- Disputes regarding **asbestos pollution** of properties

Recent Feedback:

"An astute tactition, a patient and skilled negotiator and an excellent communicator."

"...David is **patient, thoughtful and very practical** in his approach to **problem solving**..."

"Started at 10AM, done and dusted by just gone 2 on a matter that had been dragging on for years. Both **client and I very impressed. Would definitely use David again.**"

"...David provides pragmatic advice and is **very persuasive to parties in settlement negotiations**. His skills lie in getting parties to understand their strengths and weaknesses, the costs of litigation, and attention to detail, whilst having a friendly manner..."

"...Having had a recent mediation with David, I left very impressed. He managed the process with the upmost professionalism and was **willing to go the extra mile to try and achieve a settlement. I have already recommended him to other clients!..**"

"David was fully up to speed on the case and **dealt with a very difficult situation brilliantly**. He was **patient but forceful** and managed to get a satisfactory solution for both sides. Much appreciated."

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