



NEW ENGLAND DISPUTE RESOLUTION
NEUTRAL PROFILE

Thomas W. Porter, Esquire

TERRITORY:

All of Massachusetts

PRACTICE AREAS:

Primary: Personal Injury, Product Liability, Medical Malpractice, General Liability, Construction, Landlord/Tenant, Lead Paint, Employment Litigation

Secondary: Commercial Litigation

(Additional information available upon request.)

ADR TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE:

Lecturer and trainer in Conflict Transformation Theory and Skills at Union Theological Seminary, New York City. Designed the course, "Peace Building: Conflict Transformation and the Restorative Justice." Attended one-week Program of Instruction for Lawyers and Mediation Workshop at Harvard Law School led by instructors Frank Sander, Linda Singer, and Michael Lewis (1996).

Participated in a seminar on International Peace Building and Restorative Justice at the Summer Peace Building Institute, Harrisonburg, Virginia (1998 and 1999).

Observed over three weeks of the work of the Center for Conflict Resolution, Capetown, South Africa (1997).

Conducts only mediations; no arbitrations. Mediates mostly in the areas of personal injury, product liability, construction site accidents, landlord/tenant, medical malpractice, and general liability areas.

EMPLOYMENT:

Melick & Porter, LLP, Of Counsel	1999-Present
Senior Partner	1982-1998
Parker, Coulter, Daley, and White, Junior Partner	1974-1982

EDUCATION:

Boston University School of Law, J.D., 1974

Union Theological Seminary, M.A., cum laude, 1969

Yale University, B.A., 1966

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Member of American Bar Association, Massachusetts Bar Association, Boston Bar Association, Committee on Professional Responsibility of the Massachusetts Bar Association, Frank J. Murray Inn of Court, and Society of Professionals in Dispute Resolution. Instructor at the National Institute of Trial Advocacy and Chairman of a Hearing Committee of the Board of Bar Overseers. Twenty-five years as a practicing trial attorney, primarily representing clients in personal injury and commercial litigation cases. In addition, recent trial experience includes employment litigation, intellectual property cases, product liability, professional liability, and sexual abuse cases.

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