

#### STRAUS INSTITUTE FOR DISPUTE RESOLUTION



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## ADAPTING MEDIATION SKILLS FOR LITIGATED CASES

# MARCH 11-13 2015 IN SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA

**TO REGISTER:** CALL 61 02 92390700

#### LOCATION AND TIME

The course meets at Level 16, 1 Castlereagh Street, Sydney NSW 2000

FROM 8:30 AM TO 5:00 PM EACH DAY.

FOR TEN CONSECUTIVE YEARS U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT HAS NAMED STRAUS INSTITUTE FOR DISPUTE RESOLUTION THE #1 DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROGRAM AT AMERICAN LAW SCHOOLS.

### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

The M diating the Litigated Case professional development program offe s a unique opportunity for practising mediators to deepen their understanding about the mediation process in a format geared specifi ally toward civil litigation cases. Taught by experienced lawyers, who have made the transition from litigation to mediation practice, course participants will learn the essential skills required to serve as mediators in these contexts. This course will provide a system for assisting mediators in managing elements of distributive bargaining that is customary in litigated contexts.

The pro ram will focus on mediation skills but will also deal with issues specific to he adversarial setting

including managing legal representatives, the parameters of confide tiality, and concerns about discovery. It will focus on issues of particular concern to lawyer-mediators including the proscription of dual representation, providing legal information and advice, conflits of interest, drafting mediation agreements, and various ethical dilemmas. Other skills most often used by mediators in complex commercial mediation cases will be covered and include the mediator's role in discouraging offensive o ening offers, effective use of caucus, separate meetings, and shuttle negotiation,, facilitating closure, reality testing, and the tension

REGISTRATION

THE FEE IS \$2,500 PLUS GST

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**Stephanie Bell** is an Assistant Professor of Law and Assistant Director of the Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution. She supervises the Mediation Clinic and teaches Mediation Th ory and Practice and Criminal Law. Prior to joining Pepperdine, she served as the manager of the King County Alternative Dispute Resolution Program and Interlocal Confli t Resolution Group, a tri-county labor-management and public policy mediation program in the area around Seattle, Washington. Prior to this she was the alternative dispute resolution coordinator for the City of Seattle where she designed and implemented a labor and employment mediation program for city government. Before joining Straus full-time, Bell served as an adjunct professor at Straus, the Seattle University School of Law, and the University of Washington master of public administration program. Bell earned her BA with honors in American civilization from Brown University, and her JD from the University of Washington School of Law.



ALEXANDER H. WILLIAMS III

Alexander H. Williams III is a mediator, arbitrator and discovery referee in private practice with ADR Services, Inc. in Los Angeles. He served as a judge of the Los Angeles Superior Court from 1984 to 2008. He presided for 8 years in a felony criminal trial department and for another 13 years in a general jurisdiction civil trial department, handling thousands of cases and conducting hundreds of court and jury trials. A trained mediator, he spent his final hree years presiding over a full-time settlement court, where he daily conducted settlement conferences and settled hundreds of cases. Williams was the chair of the Judicial Education Subcommittee of the Court's Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee. Before taking the bench, he served as a police officer, Navy judge advocate, and federal prosecutor.



**Laurence Boulle** is Professor of Law at the Thom's More Law School, ACU North Sydney, where he teaches commercial law, alternative dispute resolution and trade law subjects. He established the Dispute Resolution Centre at Bond University in the early 1990s and has taught mediation and dispute resolution subjects since. Boulle has taught and trained several thousand lawyers, judges, managers, accountants, community organisers and public servants in conflit management and dispute resolution and has worked in the Pacifity, Australasia, Asia, Africa and Europe. His books on mediation have been published in Australia, the US, New Zealand, the UK, South Africa and Singapore. After five years in legal practice he became an academic and has also conducted a mediation practice in many Australian jurisdictions over the past 22 years. He served as Chair of NADRAC for two terms, as Director of the Mandela Institute in Johannesburg for three years, and as Chair of the Mediator Standards Board, of which he is still a Director, for three years. Boulle is the current LEADR Fellow (2013-5).