

Niki Mendoza

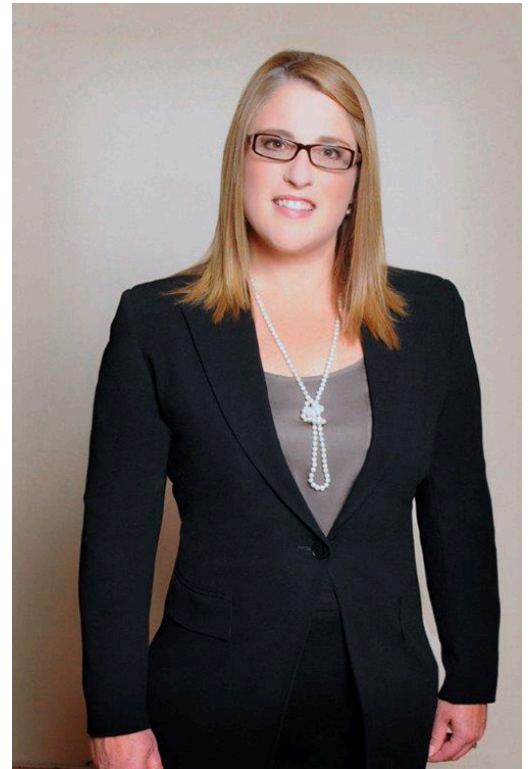
Mediator / Arbitrator / Special Master

Niki has over 25 years of experience on the plaintiffs' side and defense side, in complex litigation notice and claims administration, and for the past 6 years as a mediator, arbitrator, and special master with Phillips ADR. She is one of several handpicked protégés of Judge Layn Phillips, Phillips ADR's founder. Niki is a skilled practitioner of Judge Phillips' process, having co-mediated hundreds of cases with him, and she now leverages his novel best practices and tradecraft in mediations she leads. Her experience and knowledge gained from decades litigating and serving as a third-party neutral administrator has made her uniquely qualified in the special master roles she's served in courts throughout the country during the litigation and mediation process.

Prior to joining Phillips ADR, Niki served as Vice President Client Strategy & Development of a national class action claims administrator. Prior to that position, Niki worked with a national class action law firm, where for nearly 15 years she litigated and resolved some of the firm's most notable securities fraud and complex commercial cases.

As counsel in several high-profile and ground-breaking matters, she assisted in structuring and obtaining court approval of settlements nationwide. Her career includes representing defendants in insurance and employment litigation in both Hawaii and California, and serving as a judicial law clerk in the United States District Court for the District of Oregon, in which she earned the Distinguished Service Award.

Niki graduated Order of the Coif from the University of Oregon School of Law, in which she served as Managing Editor of the Oregon Law Review. Niki is a frequent invited speaker and author, and she serves in various volunteer roles and board positions.



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