

CEDR expands Commercial Mediation Panel

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CEDR (the Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution) formally announces an intake of six mediators to its panel in the last 12 months.

The CEDR Mediator Panel, acknowledged to contain many of the most experienced commercial mediators available in the UK and internationally, previously numbering 100 mediators has grown in recent years and today now stands at 142 covering 22 countries. This gives users of mediation the greatest possible reassurance of access to a range of expert experience no matter the dispute.

This increase in the panel reflects the growing demand for quality commercial mediators – in the UK alone figures produced by CEDR from its 2018 Mediation Audit show a 20% growth in demand for mediation in civil disputes since 2016.

The new members of the panel have all had to undergo a highly rigorous selection process. The recent additions to the panel include:

- Andrew Miller QC, Barrister, 2 Temple Gardens, insurance, construction, professional liability and international disputes (including Oil & Gas).
- Charles Feeny, Independent Barrister and former Recorder, specialising in personal injury and clinical negligence
- Michael Bartlet, Barrister and Senior Teaching Fellow in ADR at SOAS (University of London), employment and property

Other mediators added in the last 12 months are:

- Dr Stephanie Bown, former director National Clinical Assessment Service (NCAS), GP, Medico-legal specialist, Lawyer, Mediator
- Fionnuala McCredie QC, Barrister, Keating Chambers and Mediator
- John Owen, Director of Bernicia Marine Consultancy

The experience of these new mediators, legal and non-legal, covers a broad array of specialisms including; Financial Services, International Trade, Construction, Technology, Employment, Energy, Higher Education, Insurance, Intellectual Property, Property, Shipping, Tax and Entertainment.

CEDR is recognised internationally for its Mediator Skills Training and Accreditation, however, only a select few progress to join the CEDR Global Mediator Panel. 19 of these mediators are also members of the best practice mediator panel, CEDR Chambers.

John Munton, Director of Dispute Resolution Services at CEDR, commented, "I'm really pleased to see this latest group of professionals join the Panel. They were selected for the excellent mediation skills they developed and demonstrated on CEDR Mediation Skills Training Course and will now be helping us meet the growing demand for mediators with expertise in clinical negligence, construction and marine dispute resolution."

Notes to editors:

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