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Career Summary

Vohralik Mediation/John Vohralik, Solicitor

November 2016 - to date

Business Owner

- Conducting Mediations and commercial litigation in a very wide range of dispute matters, including, but not limited to: franchising, leasing, property, commercial, shareholder/director, intellectual property, debt recovery, insolvency, consumer law, trade practices, professional and general negligence, personal guarantees, estate and general equity disputes, insurance claims, contract disputes and residential and commercial construction disputes
- Mediations referred by NSW Law Society Panel, NSW Law Society President Nominations under dispute resolution clauses, Resolution Institute, NSW Small Business Commissioner, NSW Small Business Ombudsman, Victorian Small Business Commissioner and private nominations
- Litigation Consulting to Legal Firms on an as needs basis
- Presenting numerous seminars to legal firms, NSW Law Society Members, Resolution Institute Members and others on “Commercial Mediation- Tips, Traps and Emotions”
- Panel Mediator- Mediate Australia
- See www.vohralikmediation.com and www.mediateaustralia.com.au

Hughlaw Pty Ltd t/as Hugh & Associates, Lawyers

August 2006 - May 2017

Consultant Director

- Commercial litigation: numerous jurisdictions and a very wide variety of commercial disputes, acting for public companies, mid sized private corporations, SME's, Liquidators and Voluntary Administrators as well as individuals
- Mediation: Conducting mediation sessions in a very wide variety of dispute matters including, but not limited to: franchising, leasing, property, commercial, shareholder/director disputes, intellectual property, debt recovery, insolvency
- Publishing legal updates newsletter, including articles on mediation (Legal Insight)
- Managing, mentoring and supervising commercial litigation solicitors
- Drafting and Publishing Claims Handling and Procedures Manual for Consumer Claims (CTTT Motor Vehicles Division), including training sessions for consumer claims representatives of Motor Vehicle Manufacturers
- Presenting seminars on mediation to Accountants
- Trade Practices Compliance Training Sessions

Gillis Delaney Brown, Lawyers

1996 - August 2006

Senior Associate, then Partner

- Commercial litigation
- Mediation
- Managing, mentoring and supervising commercial litigation solicitors

- Publishing legal articles in MTA Journal and Newsagents Association Journal
- Conducting Legal Hotline Service for MTA Members
- Presenting seminars on mediation to Accountants, lawyers and other professionals

Sly & Russell, Solicitors (then Deacons and now known as Norton Rose Fulbright) 1985- 1996

Senior Associate (and graduate solicitor)

Commercial litigation and alternative dispute resolution including mediation

Completed LEADR Mediation Accreditation Course and became accredited from 1993

Secondment as in house counsel, Mitsui & Co Australia Limited

Editorial Case Summaries for Federal Court Reporter

Education

UNSW 1978 - 1982

Bachelor of Commerce (Accounting)

Bachelor of Law

Professional Memberships and Affiliations

Law Society of NSW

Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee of Law Society of NSW (previous)

Member - Resolution Institute

Panel Mediator - Resolution Institute

Panel Mediator - Law Society of NSW

Panel Mediator- NSW Small Business Ombudsman

Panel Mediator- NSW Small Business Commission

Panel Mediator- Victorian Small Business Commission

Former NSW Local Court Arbitrator

Profile

36 years experience as a commercial litigation lawyer (and accredited mediator since 1993), managing a very wide variety of disputes, focusing on the needs of clients to achieve their desired outcomes. A highly professional and organised lawyer and mediator with strong personal skills and an ability to identify and solve issues commercially and efficiently. Achieves a very high percentage of mediated settlements when appointed as mediator.