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The following is a list of biographical information for the Resolution Advocates who have been selected to serve on the BDRP Panel. The background information was submitted by the applicants, and is provided without comment by the Court.

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ADR Training: U.S. Bankruptcy Court Training (Yeend) - 6 hours; (Rosenberg) - 18 hours; Have handled many mediations through BDRP since its inception. Have participated in dozens as an advocate for a party at JAMS, BDRP and elsewhere.

ADR Style: Varies - as indicated by the circumstances

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ADR Training: 25 hours Coast to Coast Mediation; 40 hours Center for Conflict Resolution; 8 hours Orange County Bankruptcy Forum

ADR Style: I like to begin with facilitative mediation to encourage communication between the parties and then take a flexible approach toward resolution

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Occupation: Attorney

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ADR Training: U.S. Bankruptcy Court Training (Rosenberg) - 18 hrs.

ADR Style: Caucus Approach with emphasis on collaborative/facilitative methodology

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Areas of Specialization: Certified specialist, bankruptcy (State Bar of California)

Education: B.S.E.E., California State University, Fresno, 1970; J.D., University of Santa Clara, 1974; LLM (Taxation), Golden Gate University, 2008

ADR Training: U.S. Bankruptcy Court Training (Rosenberg) - 18 hrs.

ADR Style: "Encourage party communication and provide evaluation of case if requested. My focus is on settling cases and parties who choose BDRP should be able to settle."

Advocate Location(s): [San Jose](#)

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Areas of Specialization: Business and Commercial Litigation, Bankruptcy Litigation, Chapter 11 (Corporate) Debtors, Creditor Representation, Assignment for Benefit of Creditors

Education: B.S., Santa Clara University, 1976; J.D., Southwestern University, 1979

ADR Training: U.S. Bankruptcy Court Training (Rosenberg) - 18 hrs

ADR Style: I speak with counsel to determine what may work best. Usually do initial caucus with all parties and break up into separate caucuses. Will do neutral evaluation as necessary, but generally it is a settlement conference.

Advocate Location(s): [San Francisco](#), [San Jose](#)

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Occupation: Insolvency Attorney

Areas of Specialization: Represent debtors, creditors, creditors' committees and trustees on all aspects of bankruptcy, out of court workouts and assignments for the benefit of creditors.

Education: University of California, Santa Cruz, B.A., (1979); University of San Francisco, J.D. (1984)

ADR Training: 40 hours - Ron Kelley

ADR Style: My approach is caucus, facilitation and collaborative. I can also provide evaluative services.

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Occupation: Attorney, Mediator, Mediation Trainer

Education: B.A., University of California, Santa Cruz, 1982; J.D., Hastings College of Law, 1985

ADR Training: Community Boards of San Francisco - 32 hours; Center for Law in Mediation (Friedman) - 34 hours; Various 50+ hours.

ADR Style: "I manage the mediation process based on the personalities involved. For parties that need evaluative issues addressed, I provide a forum where different perspectives can be explored and critiqued. I am also skilled at facilitating communications and dealing with non-evaluative issues. I specialize in complex commercial cases and disputes involving strong emotions."

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ADR Training: U.S. Bankruptcy Court Training (Yeend) - 6 hrs., (Rosenberg) - 18 hrs

ADR Style: Varies

Advocate Location(s): [Santa Rosa](#)

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