



TIM WALLIS
Solicitor and mediator

Professional background

Current:

- Tim has taken a leading role in the development of ADR and mediation in this country since the early 1990s and is now a full-time mediator.
- Founder member of the Civil Justice Council, currently serving a second term of office with the Council. Chairs its ADR Committee, of which he has been a member since its inception.
- Writes on ADR and mediation for Sweet and Maxwell (ADR sections in “The Litigation Practice” and “The Civil Litigation Handbook”). He also writes articles and lectures on mediation (for example at “The White Book Conference”, London, 1 December 2006).

Previous:

- Trained and spent his entire legal career at Crutes law firm.
- Specialised in civil litigation, cutting his teeth on trade union “plaintiff” work in the heavy industries of the North East and Cumbria.
- Subsequently, he acted mainly for defendants and insurance companies.
- Commercial litigation (including partnership disputes and chancery litigation), employment disputes, clinical negligence claims and associated health/NHS related issues, as well as professional disciplinary matters.
- Partner at Crutes in 1981 and, at various points, was head of the insurance litigation department, joint managing partner, senior partner and chairman of the firm.

ADR/Mediation experience

- Formerly a member of the Law Society's Civil Litigation Committee and its ADR Committee and a director of ADR Net Ltd, part of ADR Group.
- Trained as a mediator by ADR Group in 1994.
- Between 2002 and 2005, at the request of the Civil Justice Council, assisted in mediating "industry agreements" between personal injury practitioners and the insurance industry.