



# Michael J. Watson

Mediator | Alternative Dispute Resolution Specialist

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## Professional Summary

Experienced mediator and attorney with over 25 years of legal practice specializing in alternative dispute resolution. Proven track record in facilitating resolution of complex insurance disputes, commercial litigation matters, and tort claims. Skilled in navigating multi-party conflicts, professional liability disputes, and coverage controversies. AV Preeminent® rated by Martindale-Hubbell®, demonstrating the highest level of professional excellence and ethical standards.

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## Mediation Approach

With over two decades of litigation experience in insurance and commercial matters, I bring practical insight and industry knowledge to every mediation. My approach combines:

- Deep understanding of insurance coverage issues and industry practices
  - Practical knowledge of litigation risks and potential outcomes
  - Experience with complex multi-party disputes
  - Skills in identifying creative settlement solutions
  - Commitment to facilitating productive dialogue and achieving resolution
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## Mediation Expertise

### Areas of Mediation Focus:

- Insurance Coverage Disputes
  - Professional Liability Claims
  - Bad Faith Litigation
  - Commercial Business Disputes
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## Education

### **Juris Doctor, cum laude**

South Texas College of Law | 1998

- South Texas Law Review
- Order of the Lytae

### **Bachelor of Science, magna cum laude**

West Texas A&M University | 1995

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## Bar Admissions

- Texas Courts
  - United States District Court, Northern, Southern and Eastern Districts of Texas
  - United States District Court, Western District of Michigan
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## Honors & Recognition

- **2024 – 2025 Best Lawyers in America** – Commercial Litigation
  - **AV Preeminent® Peer Review Rating** – Martindale-Hubbell® (Highest Rating for Legal Ability and Ethical Standards)
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