

Former Colorado Court of Appeals Judge Russell Carparelli has litigated, tried, and presided as a judge in more than 1,000 cases. He retired from the Colorado Court of Appeals in December 2013, and now brings extraordinary breadth and depth of experience to mediation. His subject matter expertise includes the full breadth of civil law and complex litigation. Russ also brings special expertise in negotiations, having negotiated scores of settlements and taught and lectured on the subject of negotiation strategy and tactics.

HON. (RET.) RUSSELL CARPARELLI

Russell Carparelli has been a lawyer, judge, leader, and innovator throughout his professional life. Before becoming an appellate judge, he was a commercial litigator, and Air Force Judge Advocate. During his military career, Russ served in the Pentagon as the Chief of Civilian Personnel and Labor Litigation and later served as special litigation counsel to the Air Force Secretary, General Counsel, and General Staff.

MEDIATION FOCUS

Judge Carparelli's mediation focus is on complex disputes in the following areas:

- Commercial Contracts
- Corporate Governance
- Construction and Real Estate
- Employment
- Environmental
- Family Law & Domestic Relations
- Insurance Coverage & Bad Faith
- Professional Malpractice & Liability
- Personal Injury
- Probate

In addition to these, and independent of AB Conflict Resolution Services, Russ teaches and consults regarding appeals and negotiations and is a frequent public speaker regarding the Rule of Law, The U.S. Constitution, and Active Citizenship.

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

Russ is a graduate of the USAF Academy, the University of Denver Sturm College of Law, and the University of Virginia School of Law. He has completed judicial training courses at New York University, the Federal Judicial Center, and the National Judicial College, and mediation training courses at the Institute for Conflict Management at Lipscomb University in Nashville, Tennessee, and CDR Associates in Boulder, Colorado.

RECOGNITION

- 2008 Denver Bar Association Judicial Excellence Award
- 2010 American Bar Association Coalition for Justice, Burnham "Hod" Greeley Award for outstanding contribution to promoting public awareness of the importance of a fair, impartial and independent judiciary through the Colorado Bar Association *Our Courts* Project.

- 2012 Honorable William J. Brennan, Jr., Award in recognition of outstanding skills as a member of the judiciary as well as his contributions to the National Trial Advocacy College and the legal profession.
- 2012 American Bar Association Dispute Resolution Section Civility and Law Award.
- 2012 Colorado Bar Association recognition for dedication to civility in the legal profession.
- 2024 William L. Keating Outstanding Alumni Award, University of Denver Sturm College of Law

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE, MEMBERSHIPS & ACTIVITIES

Russ is a co-founder of the Colorado Judicial Institute & Colorado Bar Association *Our Courts* public education initiative, a Fellow of the Colorado and American Bar Foundations, and a member of the Colorado, Denver and Douglas Elbert Bar Associations. He was also a member of the Chief Justice's select committee to develop the Judicial Learning Center at the Ralph L. Carr Colorado Judicial Center.

RATES

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