

## **PANEL MEMBERS**

Hon. Timothy S. Driscoll

Hon. Ira B. Warshawsky

Michael Cardello III, Esq.

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Andrew Thaler, Esq.

Russell G. Tisman, Esq.

Law Students: Jaymie Sabilia-Heffert: Touro College Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center

Joseph Paul Muscarella: St. John's University School of Law

Special Guest: Daniel M. Weitz, Esq. Deputy Director of the Division of Professional and Court Services and Statewide Coordinator of the Office of ADR Programs for the New York State Unified Court System

**ANDREW M. THALER**, the founding Member of Thaler Law Firm, PLLC in Westbury, NY has nearly thirty years of experience in the bankruptcy and insolvency field. His practice focuses on a wide spectrum of matters including representation of debtors, creditors, trustees and creditor committees in commercial Chapter 11 and 7 cases, consumers in Chapter 7 and 13 cases, and various situated parties in complex bankruptcy litigation and insolvency matters. Mr. Thaler is also a federally appointed Panel Chapter 7 Bankruptcy Trustee for the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of New York, and has presided over approximately twenty thousand bankruptcy cases as such. He also serves as a mediator/neutral for the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of the New York (2004-present) and is on the Mediation Panel of the Commercial Division of the Supreme Court in Nassau County (2003-present). Mr. Thaler also serves as an Arbitrator under the New York State's Part 137 Attorneys Client Fee Dispute Resolution Program (ADR). He served as Chair of the Nassau County Bar Association Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee (2009-2010). Mr. Thaler has been assigned Martindale Hubbell's highest "AV" rating and annually since 2010, has been recognized as a metro-New York Super Lawyer and by *Long Island Pulse* magazine as one of the region's "Top Legal Eagles" for bankruptcy. He is a member of the Nassau County Bar Association and in 2013 was named an Access to Justice Champion, also is a past president of the Theodore Roosevelt American Inn of Court. Mr. Thaler received his B.A. from the State University of New York at Albany (1979) and his J.D. from the State University of New York at Buffalo (1983).



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## MICHAEL CARDELLO III

### Practice Areas

Commercial Litigation  
Bankruptcy

Michael Cardello III is a partner with the firm and serves as Co-Chair of the firm's Litigation practice group. Mr. Cardello concentrates his practice in business and commercial litigation. Prior to joining the firm in 1997, Michael served as a Law Clerk to the Honorable Arthur D. Spatt, United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York.

Michael represents large and small businesses, financial institutions and individuals in Federal and State Courts. He has a wide-range of experience that includes trials and appellate work in the areas of corporate disputes, shareholder derivative actions, dissolutions, construction disputes, equipment and vehicle leasing disputes and other complex commercial and business disputes.

Michael is often appointed as a Discovery Referee and Special Referee by various courts to oversee all aspects of the discovery process in complex commercial cases. From 2005 through 2008, Michael oversaw all aspects of discovery in Delta Financial Corp. v. Morrison, in which he rendered many written decision related to discovery e-discovery and privilege issues and presided over sixty-five depositions. Michael is currently appointed to a number of cases as Discovery Referee and Special Referee by Justices of the Supreme Court for the State of New York. Michael is also approved by the Officer of Court Administration in the State of New York to serve as a Receiver and has been appointed by the Court as Receiver to oversee the dissolution and wind up of the affairs of a business and for the collection of rent for commercial property.

Michael is the current Chairman of the Commercial Litigation Committee of the Nassau County Bar Association and is also a member of its Alternative Dispute Resolution, Federal Court and Judiciary Committees. In addition, he is a participant at the Sedona Conference and also frequently lectures on discovery, trial practice, equipment and vehicle leasing issues and e-discovery.

### Education

Hofstra University, J.D.  
*Associate Editor, Hofstra Law Review*  
Hofstra University, M.B.A. (Finance)  
Hofstra University, B.B.A. (Marketing)

**Admissions**

Michael is admitted to practice law in New York. He is also admitted to practice in the Eastern and Southern Districts of New York and the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit.

**Affiliations**

Michael serves on the Committee for Civil Litigation of The United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York. In addition, he also serves as Chair on the Board of Directors for the Metro New York/Connecticut Chapter of the National Vehicle Leasing Association. Michael is also a member of the Truck Renting and Leasing Association and an active participant in its Government Relations Committee. Michael is also a member of the Catholic Lawyers Guild of Nassau County and the Theodore Roosevelt American Inn of Court. He serves as a fellow of the Academy of Court-Appointed Masters, as well as on the Board of Directors for Long Island Counsel for Alcohol and Drug Dependence.



## Richard Eisenberg

Of Counsel

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### Practice Areas

Corporate Law  
Corporate Finance  
Real Estate Law  
Litigation & Dispute Resolution  
Alternative Dispute Resolution

### Education

Boston University Law School  
J. D., 1976  
University of Rochester  
B.A., 1973

### Memberships

Nassau County Bar Association  
Theodore Roosevelt Inn of Court  
Alexander Hamilton Inn of Court  
United States District Court, Eastern District  
of New York Mediation Panel  
Novare Group Holdings, LLC,  
Corporate Advisory Board  
Usdan Center for the Creative and  
Performing Arts, Board of Trustees

### Admissions

New York State  
U.S. Supreme Court  
U.S. District Court, Southern  
and Eastern Districts of New York  
U.S. Tax Court  
Second Circuit of Appeals

Since January 2008, Richard Eisenberg has been Of Counsel to Meyer, Suozzi, English & Klein, P.C. located in Garden City, Long Island, N.Y., practicing in the Corporate law, Corporate Finance, Real Estate and Litigation and Dispute Resolution practices. Mr. Eisenberg has a broad range of litigation experience in areas including contracts, securities fraud, RICO, anti-trust, land title matters, patent infringement, insurance coverage disputes, construction claims, corporate valuations and criminal matters. He has conducted jury and non-jury trials to verdict, as well as arbitrations and mediations, in the State and Federal courts throughout the New York metropolitan area. His appellate practice includes appearances before the Appellate Division, Second Department, the New York State Court of Appeals, the Second Circuit Court of Appeals and the United States Supreme Court. In his transactional work, Mr. Eisenberg has counseled clients in corporate reorganizations, internal investigations, bankruptcy, real estate financing, contracts, deferred compensation programs, intellectual property matters, mergers and acquisitions, tax matters, environmental compliance and the selection and supervision of outside counsel and accountants.

Notable experience includes:

- In his real estate development and construction practice, has served as the owner's representative or project executive on approximately 100 million dollars of completed projects, both public and private. For these projects, he was responsible for land acquisition, planning, zoning, commercial and retail leasing, mortgage lending, property management, construction agreements and supervision of architects, engineers and contractors.
- Serves as General Counsel to a privately held real estate investment and development corporation on Long Island, managing a portfolio of retail, office, industrial and residential properties, as well as equity investments in a wide range of properties. His legal work includes project development, zoning, environmental compliance, financing, property purchases and sales, leasing, construction contracts, property management, due diligence investigations and review of private placement offerings.
- Serves as the Executive Secretary to a major private family charitable foundation on Long Island in which he is responsible for grant-making and administration and direct reporting to the foundation trustees.

## Richard Eisenberg

- From 1984-2005 he was a member of the Valley Stream, New York Board of Education. During that period he served several terms as Board President. He worked closely with school district attorneys regarding litigation matters on behalf of the school district, and was responsible for the supervision of a multimillion dollar bond issue for school construction and renovation. In addition, Mr. Eisenberg served as the employer's representative for the negotiation of public employee contracts over a 14 year period.
- Previously served as General Counsel to a privately held corporation with interests in military manufacturing, software consulting and sales of aeronautical parts and services. In that position, he managed mergers and acquisitions, corporate finance, government contracts, regulatory compliance and the supervision of litigation throughout the United States.

Mr. Eisenberg began his career as a Kings County Assistant District Attorney, where he prosecuted felony cases including homicides and public corruption matters. During part of his tenure as an Assistant DA, he was assigned to the Office of the Special Narcotics Prosecutor for the City of New York from 1977 to 1978.

## **Justice Ira B. Warshawsky (rtd)**

Justice Warshawsky started his career in public service as a Legal Aid attorney in 1970 when he was Assistant Chief of the Family Court branch in Queens County. He served as a Nassau County Assistant District Attorney in the District and County Court trial bureaus from 1972 to 1974. Following these four years of prosecution and defense work he became a law secretary, serving judges of the New York State Court of Claims and County Court of Nassau County. In 1987 he was elected to the District Court and served there until 1997. He was elected in 1997 to the Supreme Court of the State of New York where he presided in a Dedicated Matrimonial Part, a Differentiated Case Management Part and sat in one of the county's three Dedicated Commercial Parts. The judge retired at the end of 2011.

In 2012 he joined the law firm of Meyer, Suozzi English & Klein, PC and is Of Counsel in the firm's Garden City, NY office in their Litigation & Alternative Dispute Resolution sections, serving not only as an advocate but as a mediator, arbitrator, litigator, private judge and referee, especially in the area of business disputes and the resolution of electronic discovery (E-Discovery) issues. He also currently serves as a mediator and arbitrator for NAM (National Arbitration and Mediation) and is a member of the Nassau County Bar Association's Mediation and Arbitration panel.

The Judge received his undergraduate education at Rutgers University (B.A., 1966) and his J.D. degree from Brooklyn Law School (1969).

He has been active in numerous legal, educational and charitable organizations during his career. He is a former director of the Nassau County Bar Association, has served as chair of its Community Relations and Public Education Committee and is a former dean of the Nassau Academy of Law. He is a past president of the Nassau County District Court Judge's Association and the Former Assistant District Attorneys Association of Nassau County. Judge Warshawsky is also a member of the American Bar Association, the New York State Bar Association, the Jewish Lawyers Association and the Theodore Roosevelt American Inn of Court of which he is a past president. He is also past President of the American College of Business Court Judges, of which

he is a founding member. He currently serves as a member of the Judicial Advisory Board of the Sedona Conference.

The Judge has served as a lecturer in various areas of commercial, criminal and civil law. He frequently lectures for the Trial Advocacy Program at Hofstra and Widener Law Schools. He has lectured for the American, New York State and Nassau bar associations, and private corporate forums, most recently in the area of electronic discovery. The Judge currently serves as a contributing editor of the Benchbook for Trial Judges published by the Supreme Court Justices Association of the State of New York.

In 1996 the Judge was the recipient of EAC's (Education Assistance Corporation) Humanitarian of the Year Award, in 1997 he received the Nassau County Bar Association President's Award, in 2000 he received the Former Assistant District Attorneys Association's Frank A. Gulotta Criminal Justice Award and in 2004 he received the Nassau Bar Association's Director's Award. Most recently, 2013, he was the recipient of the Jewish Lawyers Association of Nassau County's Paul J. Widlitz Award for service to the Judiciary and the Jewish Community of Nassau County.

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## **EDUCATION**

### **Touro College Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center, Central Islip, NY**

Juris Doctor Candidate, May 2015

*GPA:* 3.4

*Honors:* Touro Law Center Honors Program

### **Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY**

Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, May 2011

*Honors:* Dean's List; Academic scholarship

### **Nassau Community College, Garden City, NY**

Associate Degree in Psychology, May 2006

*Honors:* Phi Beta Kappa

## **LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

### **Professor Deseriee Kennedy, Touro Law Center, Central Islip, NY**

*Research Assistant* Fall 2013

Conduct research in the area of Domestic Violence including the varying aspects and responsibilities of Child Protective Services (specifically the investigative branch versus the service branch). Located specific citations, finding supportive statistical data for reports of domestic violence.

### **Nassau County District Attorney's Office, District Court Bureau, Hempstead, NY**

*Legal Intern* June 2013 - August 2013

Prepared DWI and Penal Law *Rosario* packets. Drafted Voluntary Disclosure Forms, filled out and filed Family and Non-Family Orders of Protection. Took multiple pleas on the record pursuant to a student practice order. Maintained the court calendar in criminal parts 3, 6, and 12 and Arraignments A and B. Participated in hospital arraignment at Nassau University Medical Center. Conducted research regarding DWI trial.

### **Berkman, Henoch, Peterson & Peddy, Garden City, NY**

*Paralegal/Intern* May 2012 - August 2012

Drafted Assignments of Mortgages. Worked with a variety of banks and mortgage lenders through the use of online client systems to coordinate the foreclosure process.

### **Schwartzapfel Partners, P.C., Jericho, NY**

*Paralegal* February 2012 - May 2012

Developed cases with the use of SAGA. Prepared medical and insurance records.

### **Binder & Binder, Long Island City, NY**

*Legal Writer* August 2011 - February 2012

Summarized medical records and presented claims for Social Security Disability Insurance and Supplemental Security Income claims to Administrative Law Judges. Referred to the Medical Vocational Guidelines as well as the Code for Federal Regulations (CFR) to support claims. Wrote legal letters to Administrative Law Judges and clients.

## **OTHER EXPERIENCE**

### **New York Life Insurance Company, Melville, NY**

*Agent* July 2010 - May 2011

Sold Whole Life, Term Insurance and Universal Insurance. Set up self-prospecting events and developed client base.

### **Cozy Cottage Day Care, Bellmore, NY**

*Caregiver* January 2006 - July 2010

Caregiver for children ages 5 months to 3 years.

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## EDUCATION

### **ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, Queens, NY**

Candidate for J.D., June 2015

**Academics:** G.P.A: 3.63

**Honors:** Dean's List (Spring 2013, Fall 2013)  
Academic Scholarship

**Activities:** *First year Evening Class Representative, SBA*

### **THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY, Washington, D.C**

B.A., Political Science, May 2011

**Academics:** G.P.A.: 3.66

**Honors:** Dean's List (Six of Eight Semesters)  
Member of the National Collegiate of Scholars

**Activities:** *Senator, Class of 2011, Undergraduate Senate  
President, Club Lacrosse Team*

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### **NASSAU COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, Mineola, NY**

*Administrative Assistant, May 2011 – Present*

Provide high-level administrative support to the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner. Collect and inspect petitions that are filed prior to upcoming elections. Serve on a two member bi-partisan team that reviews and investigates specific objections to filed petitions. Required to provide the bi-partisan team's findings to court referees during hearings between both legal parties involved. Represent the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner of the Board of Elections at New York State Supreme Court hearings involving election law. Provide legal research and assist in the interpretation of New York State election law. Compose in-office memos and letters for both the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner. Aid the Director of Budget and Office Management in updating the Board of Elections' financial records.

### **CONGRESSMAN PETER T. KING'S OFFICE, Washington, DC**

*Intern, January 2011 – May 2011*

Assisted with constituent relations by answering phones, replying to mail, and logging information into the data base system. Attended Congressional hearings and meetings for Congressman King.

### **ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MARYLAND'S OFFICE, Baltimore, MD**

*Intern, September 2010 – December 2010*

Directly under the Attorney General's Assistant to the Department of Education. Provided legal research for the construction of legal memorandums between the Attorney General's office and Maryland's State School Board. Given the task of writing the introduction, statement of facts, and summary for numerous legal memorandums and legal opinions.

## INTERNSHIP

### **FOLEY GRIFFIN LLP, Garden City, NY**

*Intern, May 2014-*



## JUSTICE TIMOTHY S. DRISCOLL

Justice Driscoll is a Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York. Elected to a fourteen-year term in November 2007, Judge Driscoll serves in the Nassau County Commercial Division. He is also the co-chairman of the Chief Administrative Judge's working group on electronic discovery. In addition to his judicial responsibilities, Judge Driscoll is an adjunct professor at Brooklyn Law School and Nassau Community College, and a teaching team member at the Harvard Law School's Trial Advocacy Workshop.

Prior to beginning his judicial service on January 1, 2008, Judge Driscoll held a number of posts in the public and private sector. He served as Deputy Nassau County Executive for Law Enforcement and Public Safety from July 2004 to December 2007. In that position, he oversaw all of the public safety and law enforcement agencies in the County, including the Police, Fire Marshal, Probation, Sheriff, Office of Consumer Affairs, Traffic and Parking Violations Agency, Medical Examiner, and Office of Emergency Management.

Judge Driscoll was an Assistant United States Attorney in the Eastern District of New York from November 2000 to July 2004. His case load included violent crime matters including racketeering, murder, gun possession and trafficking, and narcotics distribution, as well as white collar matters including mail fraud, wire fraud and health care fraud. His work as a federal prosecutor was recognized by the FBI, Nassau County Police Department, Old Brookville Police Department, and the Drug Enforcement Administration.

Prior to beginning his service as a prosecutor, Judge Driscoll was associated with Williams & Connolly in Washington D.C. from November 1992 through July 1996. Before joining the law firm, Judge Driscoll served as a law clerk to the Honorable Joseph M. McLaughlin, United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit.

Judge Driscoll is a graduate of Harvard Law School (cum laude 1991), Hofstra University (summa cum laude 1988) and Holy Trinity High School in Hicksville, which inducted him into its Hall of Fame in 2005. He is the Secretary of the Irish Americans in Government, and the President of the Catholic Lawyers Guild of Nassau County.

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Marilyn K. Genoa is a principal of the Law Firm of Genoa & Associates, P.C., concentrating in the areas of commercial real estate, small and closely-held business representation, commercial litigation, and alternate dispute resolution. She is a member of the Commercial Mediation Panel, Nassau County Commercial Division and the Nassau County Bar Association's Alternative Dispute Resolution Mediation Tribunal Panel. She serves as an Arbitrator under the New York State's Part 137 Attorney's Fee Dispute Resolution Program and mediates Landlord Tenant disputes in Landlord/Tenant Part District Court Nassau County.

An active member and Director of the Nassau County Bar Association, she sits on its WE CARE Advisory Board. She is the immediate past chair of the Nassau County Bar Association's Alternative Dispute Resolution section, as well as one of its Delegates to the New York State Bar Association, and is a former chairperson of the NCBA's Business and Corporation Committee, the Animal Law Committee, and the Domus Committee. She has co-chaired the Nassau County Bar Association's Community Relations Committee's Mock Trial Program for the past 8 years.

The elected Village Justice for the Village of Old Brookville, she is a former Trustee of the Village and the former Deputy Police Commissioner for the Old Brookville Police Department.

A former president of the Theodore Roosevelt American Inn of Court and of Yashar, the Attorneys' and Judges' Chapter of Hadassah, she continues to actively serve on the Board of Directors of both organizations. She is a member of the Board of Directors of the Safe Place Long Island (newly

merged Nassau County Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Coalition Against Child Abuse and Neglect), and a former Executive Board Member of Congregation Tifereth Israel in Glen Cove, where she served as Legal Vice President.

Marilyn Genoa is admitted to practice in the Courts of the State of New York, the United States District Courts for the Eastern and Southern Districts of New York, and the Supreme Court of the United States of America. She received her law degree, cum laude, from Hofstra University School of Law, her B.A. from Boston University, and her MSW from Adelphi University. She has lectured in the areas of: business formation - choice of entity; the purchase and sale of businesses and of real property; collection law; contract law, and mediation; and has chaired and co-chaired numerous mediation seminars including “The Art & Future of Mediation: A Cost Efficient Judicial Alternative” for the Theodore Roosevelt American Inn of Court; and the Nassau County Bar Association’s Mediation Training for the Commercial Division and the Nassau County Commercial Division Advanced Mediation Training Programs in 2011.

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**Russell G. Tisman, Esq.**

Russell G. Tisman (The Ohio State University College of Law, 1977) specializes in complex corporate, commercial, defense, employment, labor and Surrogate's Court litigation. He has tried cases and argued appeals in Federal and State courts and administrative agencies throughout the United States, and in arbitration and other alternate dispute resolution fora. Mr. Tisman also actively counsels management and human resource professionals on employment and labor matters. He represents public companies, privately held businesses, insurers, financial institutions and individuals in all types of business related disputes.

Mr. Tisman commenced practice in 1977 with a multinational, Wall Street law firm. From 1980-1987, he was Senior Litigation Counsel of ITT Corporation, where he was responsible for employment litigation system-wide and commercial, antitrust and product liability defense litigation and was awarded an outstanding achievement award. Mr. Tisman was a founding member and head of the litigation and employment and labor practices of Groman, Ross & Tisman, P.C., which joined Forchelli, Curto in 2006.

Mr. Tisman is a member of the American Bar Association, the Association of the Bar of the City of New York and the Nassau County Bar Association, where he is active on the employment and labor committee. He has served as President of the Lawyers Club of Huntington and currently is a board member of the Theodore Roosevelt American Inn of Court. He has published articles in various journals including the *Journal of the American Corporate Counsel Association*, and the *National Law Journal*, and treatise sections on litigation and employment topics, including chapter updates for BNA's Employment Discrimination Law treatise, and has lectured on employment and litigation law and alternative dispute resolution before both local and national audiences.

Mr. Tisman actively serves as an arbitrator and mediator in commercial and employment disputes. He has been a court-appointed arbitrator and has been appointed an arbitrator by the American Arbitration Association and NAM. He serves on the Nassau County Bar Association's Employment Mediation panel. He has served on committees of the Mid-Island Y JCC and the Northwestern University Alumni Association, where he is past President of the Long Island Alumni Club. He also served as Regional Co-Director of

Northwestern's Alumni Admission Council. Mr. Tisman has been recognized for his volunteer efforts on behalf of the New York Organ Donor Network.

He is AV-Rated by Martindale Hubbell. Mr. Tisman was honored by the Nassau County Bar Association for distinguished career, professional achievement, expertise and leadership in the field of Labor and Employment. He was named a super-lawyer commercial litigator, and has been selected by *Long Island Business News* as one of Long Island's leading employment and labor lawyers in its "*Who's Who in Law*" edition, and as a Legal Eagle by *Long Island Pulse Magazine*, among other honors.

Born and raised in South Africa. Emigrated to the U.S. in 1978  
B.A. in Psychology, *Summa Cum Laude*, SUNY at Albany  
J.D. Touro Law School, *Cum Laude*

Sheryl-Anne Sastow litigated for over ten years in Products liability, Personal Injury, Matrimonial and Family Law. In 2007, she changed the focus of her practice to ADR and opened Sastow Law & Mediation, with offices in Plainview, Great Neck and in New York City. She handles divorce mediations and elder law mediations; represents clients in collaborative divorces, serve as Court Evaluator on guardianship petitions for Supreme Court Nassau County, and has serves as an Arbitrator for FINRA and the Nassau County District Court.

She serves on the following panels of neutrals:

Neutral Court Evaluator--Nassau County Supreme Court (since 2006)

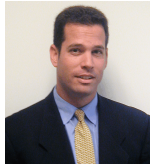
Arbitrator --Nassau County District Court (since 2006)

Arbitrator --FINRA since (2007)

Mediator --Nassau County Supreme Divorce Mediation Panel (since 2008)

Mediator --Nassau County Commercial Mediation Panel. (since 2011)

Mediator and Arbitrator--Nassau County Bar Association's ADR panel (since 2013)



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Dan is the Deputy Director of the Division of Professional and Court Services and Statewide Coordinator of the Office of ADR Programs for the New York State Unified Court System.

Dan assists the Director of Professional and Court Services in overseeing the statewide responsibilities of alternative dispute resolution, attorney for the child contracts, judiciary civil legal services contracts, court interpreting services, criminal disposition reporting, office of grants and contracts, guardianship and fiduciary services, legal information, office of the court record, parent education and awareness program, records management, the federally funded child welfare court improvement project (CIP), the court appointed special advocates (CASA) assistance program, the children's centers program, and operational issues related to the Americans with Disabilities Act and domestic violence in the workplace. As Coordinator of ADR, Dan oversees a statewide program of court-annexed ADR initiatives involving mediation, arbitration, neutral evaluation, parenting coordination and collaborative law. He also directs the Community Dispute Resolution Centers Program (CDRCP).

Dan serves as Co-Counsel to the Board of Governors of the New York State Attorney-Client Fee Dispute Resolution Program and Counsel to the Technology and Case Management Subcommittee of the New York State Judicial Advisory Council. Dan is a past Chair of the New York City Bar Association ADR Committee. He also served as Co-Chair of the Court ADR Committee of the ABA Dispute Resolution Section and as a member of the New York City Bar Association, Domestic Violence Committee. Dan served on the Unified Court System's Matrimonial Commission for which he Co-Chaired the Subcommittee on The Use of Experts and currently serves on the New York County Lawyers' Association Family Law Task Force, the NYC Family Court Advisory Council and the New York City Bar Association, Science and Law Committee.

Dan has over fifteen years of experience as a court administrator and over twenty years of experience in the field of ADR, serving as an administrator, professor, trainer and practitioner. He is an Adjunct Clinical Professor of Mediation at Cardozo School of Law, an Adjunct Professor of Clinical Law at NYU School of Law and has taught ADR and conflict resolution related courses at Vermont Law School, Hamline University School of Law, John Jay College of Criminal Justice and Long Island University. Dan is an international ADR speaker having presented across the United States and beyond including Japan, China and South Africa. He has also served as mediator in a wide range of matters including, general civil, family, employment, human rights, community, and police conduct cases.

Dan received his law degree from the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, where he participated in the Mediation Clinic and was a Teaching Assistant in Legal Negotiation. He has worked at JAMS, the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit (The Civil Appeals Management Plan), and served as an original member of FutureLinks Inc., working in South Africa with youth leaders from all backgrounds to conduct workshops in non-violent social change, conflict resolution, and community development.