

Nicholas Pryor celebrates 30 years as a mediator...

Nicholas Pryor has recently completed 30 years since his first mediation and was appointed in the second commercial mediation to take place in the UK. He is a founder member of Independent Mediators and is recognised as one of the top mediators in the world and one of the busiest in the UK.



What users say...

"I would not hesitate to instruct you to act as mediator in the future. If you can secure a settlement in these circumstances, surely, anything else would be a stroll in the park...!"

"The mediator was excellent. This dispute had a long historical background and the issues had become very personal to many of those involved. Both pre-mediation and on the day itself were handled extremely well."

"Mediator was clearly highly experienced and excellent. Astute grasp of the issues at hand and the impact of those issues on both parties." "We are in no doubt that your proactive approach played a great part in the parties being able to reach a resolution; thank you ever so much and it was a pleasure to work with you."

"Made contact with all parties in advance, explained things on the day, kept a cordial atmosphere, kept up a pace but without anyone feeling hurried, spent all the time needed hearing my client's concerns and assisting with proposals for settlement."

What his colleagues say...



Bill Marsh

"Those of us who mediate for a living can testify that much of what we do was not taught in mediator school, but learned from hard-won experience. I have known Nicholas for nearly all of his 30 years as a mediator, and above all what he brings to it is experience.

Not just of mediation (though 30 years of that is no mean feat), but of life. He knows the power of the gently-raised eyebrow, the laconic "hmmm" or the warm word of support, as well as the willingness to challenge and to a call spade a particular kind of shovel. To bring both detachment and warmth is a great gift. Nicholas has that gift."



Michel Kallipetis QC

"For me, and the many others who were trained by him, his extraordinary gifts are his ability to communicate, his capacity for listening and his infinite patience. It is no wonder that for thirty years he has been among the select band of mediators world-wide whom those in dispute are advised to select to cut through the tangled mass which litigation often creates and guide them to a solution.

His other great asset is his unerring sense of what appeals to younger lawyers particularly those he trains in mediation. To see him working with the teams from the whole world in the ICC Mediation Moot in Paris is a humbling as well as an uplifting experience. His generosity in terms of his time has made him a role model for young mediators in Turkey, Brazil, Australia and New Zealand not least by agreeing to go to their universities and colleges to give them the benefit of his enormous and varied experience.

For us in Independent Mediators as one of the original founders he is an eminence gris envied for his experience, unfailing courtesy and a full head of hair."

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