

**SANTA CLARA COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT  
BACKGROUND INFORMATION / FAMILY DIVISION ADR PANEL**

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**Firm Name**

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<b>Street or P.O. Box</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Zip Code</b>
<i>900 E. Hamilton Avenue #100</i>	<i>Campbell, CA</i>	<i>95008</i>

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**TODAY'S DATE:**

Check each panel for which you have been accepted:     mediation        collaborative practice

**1. Describe your education, including degrees and the dates received.**

*BA, Psychology, 1972                      MA, Psychology, 1974                      Ph.D., Psychology, 1976*  
*JD, Santa Clara University School of Law, 2000*

**2. Briefly describe the ADR training you have received. For each training, give the trainer's name, the dates attended, and the total hours.**

*-Association for Conflict Resolution, Clarence, Cramer, 40 hours, 2006*  
*-Negotiations, Santa Clara University School of law, 1 semester, 1999*  
*-ADR, Santa Clara University School of law, 1 semester, 1999*  
*-100+ hours CLE workshops*

**3. Describe the subject matter of five disputes for which you have been a mediator in the past five years, with the dates. State whether you were a sole- or co-provider.**

- *Custody dispute – sole - 2006*
- *Custody dispute – sole - 2005*
- *Custody dispute – sole - 2004*
- *Custody dispute – sole - 2003*
- *Custody dispute – sole - 2002*

**4. Check your areas of substantive expertise:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Adoption                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Partnership                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Estate Planning   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Family Law (Divorce, Custody, etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parentage                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Real Estate       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax  |  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) <i>juvenile</i>     |  |

**5. What is your State Bar No.:** *201026*

**A. How many years have you been in active practice? If none, please explain.**

*6 years*

**B. What is or was the nature of your practice?**

*Forensic psychology (family and juvenile) and ADR law practice*

**C. Are you certified in any specialty? If so, please list.**

*No*

**6. What is your ADR style?**

*Non-confrontational, collaborative*

**7. Describe your fee schedule, including any sliding-scale or pro-bono provisions.**

*\$250/hour 4 hr minimum \$1000 total retainer*

**8. Give any other information that should be considered by parties or counsel.**

*Practitioner is psychologist and attorney in California and Arizona. 25+ years' experience.*