



# Christine Allen, Esq.



Results Beyond Dispute<sup>SM</sup>

Christine has worked in the Southern California legal community for nearly 40 years. She practiced personal injury defense for 18 years and was known as a fair and respectful adversary. In 2004, she recognized her calling for being a Mediator due to her passion for helping the litigants find a peaceful resolution. Since then she has mediated over 4,000 matters in a variety of personal injury disputes. Christine is an excellent listener and feels strongly that injured/aggrieved plaintiffs must be given an opportunity to have their feelings heard and validated before they can move toward a resolution. Christine realizes how stressful litigation is for all concerned and tries to make the mediation a pleasant experience for all. She is adept at the use of humor as a tool in mediation. One attorney commented, "Christine is an experienced litigator with good people skills so she relates well to litigants and counsel. She is direct, but not pushy and she treats the parties with dignity and respect." Another attorney stated that Christine's mediation style is "authentic, disarming, and from the heart."

## LEGAL CAREER & PRIOR EXPERIENCE

- Neutral, Judicate West (2011-Present)
- Full-Time Mediator (2004-present)
- Attorney, Law Office of Christine A. Allen (2002-2004)
- Attorney, Staff Counsel for Progressive Insurance (1988-2002)
- Law Clerk, Hillsinger & Costanzo (1986-1987)

## EDUCATION & PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Western State University, College of Law: J.D. (1988)
- Saint Mary's College, South Bend, Indiana: B.A. (1981)
- Southern California Mediation Association, Member (2006-present)
- Orange County Trial Lawyers, Member (2010-present)
- Pepperdine University, Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution (2004)

## PRACTICE AREAS

All Types of Personal Injury including Sexual Assault; Business/Contractual

## HOBBIES & INTERESTS

Christine loves to spend time with her family and their Collie, "Finnegan". She enjoys running at the beach, watching sunsets, yoga, is an avid horseback rider and just recently took up golf. She also enjoys spending time in their second home in Montana. Christine is semi-fluent in Spanish, having studied it for eight years and having lived in Mexico for one year.

## LOCATIONS

Orange County