

N. Denise Asher, Esq.



Denise Asher has been serving the legal community for over 35 years. Her dedication to her clients, strong work ethic, and talents in the courtroom led to numerous accolades during her time as a trial lawyer. Denise decided to "switch gears," and made the transition to full-time mediation in 2008 after seeing the tremendous benefit alternative dispute resolution offered those involved in the litigation process. Denise specializes in resolving employment, elder abuse, professional malpractice, and personal injury cases. She uses her background and experience to craft an approach to mediation that recognizes every party and every case is unique. She is well known for her preparation, tenacity, professionalism, and integrity. One attorney recently commented, "Denise consistently demonstrates an unusual ability to resolve cases with significant value; divergent viewpoints on key facts; and factors that would lead many mediators to conclude that the case cannot be resolved. She always gets the settlement achieved and does so with a grace and dignity that is very rare." Another attorney said, "the qualities that make a great mediator are primarily innate and cannot be acquired - a mediator either has it, or they don't. After working with Denise, I will say without equivocation; she clearly has it."

LEGAL CAREER & PRIOR EXPERIENCE	 Neutral, Judicate West (2014-Present) Full-time Mediator (2008-Present) Partner, Strauss & Asher (1995 – 2007) Monaghan & Strauss (1986-1995)
EDUCATION & PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS	 J.D., Thomas Jefferson School of Law (Summa Cum Laude) (1994) Mediation Skills Training, Pepperdine University, Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution Credentialing Program, National Conflict Resolution Center San Diego Inn of Court, Past President, Board Member Emeritus, and Workshop Leader San Diego County Bar Association, Member Lawyers Club of San Diego, Member California Women Lawyers, Member
PRACTICE AREAS	Elder Abuse/Neglect; Employment Law; Medical/Professional Malpractice; Personal Injury; Products Liability
ACHIEVEMENTS & AWARDS	 AV Rated by Martindale Hubbell (2006 to Present) "Woman of Influence", San Diego Daily Transcript (2013) Trial Lawyer of the Year, Consumer Attorneys of California (2007) Finalist, Consumer Attorney of the Year, Consumer Attorneys of California (2007) Outstanding Trial Lawyer Awards, Consumer Attorneys of San Diego (2000, 2003, 2007) Outstanding Alumnus of the Year, Thomas Jefferson School of Law (2004)
HOBBIES & INTERESTS	Denise enjoys spending time with her family, playing golf and traveling.
LOCATIONS	San Diego, Orange County