



## PHILIP MELDMAN, ESQ.



Philip Meldman is a national mediator in full-time practice since 1992. Before entering mediation, Mr. Meldman was in private law practice, emphasizing entertainment and business law, a partner in a real estate investment company, and worked in the motion picture, television, and music industries for 22 years. In addition to serving as Director of Business Affairs and later Director of Literary Affairs for Paramount Pictures, Mr. Meldman was a motion picture and record producer, and a theatrical agent.

### AREAS OF EXPERTISE:

**Business:** Complex business and commercial contract; business acquisition; buy-sell agreement; partnership dissolution; shareholder dispute; franchise dispute; business tort; trade libel; attorney/client fee dispute; attorney malpractice.

**Employment:** Wrongful termination, discrimination (FEHA, Title VII, ADEA, and ADA), sexual harassment, whistleblower and retaliation, wage and hour, family and medical leave, False Claims Act, trade secret misappropriation, executive contract dispute, and ERISA.

**Entertainment/Media:** Motion picture, television, music, concert, advertising, internet, publishing, and new media transactions; idea submission; rights of publicity; copyright and trademark infringement; profit participation; royalty; artist, agency, and executive employment agreements; entertainment insurance coverage; rights of privacy; defamation.

**Insurance Coverage/Bad Faith:** Business, employment, entertainment, intellectual property and real estate.

**Intellectual Property:** Copyright, trademark, trade dress, and design patent infringement, rights of publicity, trade secrets, unfair competition.

**Real Estate/Land Use:** residential buyer/seller; residential developer/buyer; real estate broker/client; homeowner association; commercial and residential landlord/tenant dispute; commercial and residential construction defects; eminent domain, inverse condemnation, nuisance.

Mr. Meldman is a member of the Los Angeles Copyright Society, past Vice-Chair of the ABA Entertainment ADR Committee, and a past appointed member of the State Bar of California ADR Committee (2000-2003). He drafted and was instrumental in the passage of the 1996 amendment to California Evidence Code 1152.5 regarding the confidentiality of a mediation consultation. Mr. Meldman served as a guest lecturer at Stanford Law School, is a national speaker on the subject of mediation, and currently presents MCLE workshops on mediation.

Philip Meldman graduated cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa from Brandeis University in 1966. He graduated from Stanford Law School in 1969 and was admitted to the State Bar of California in 1970.