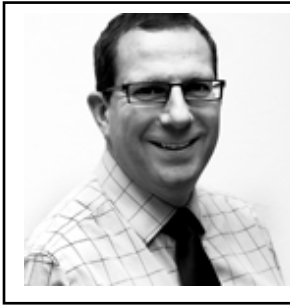


David Harris  
ProMediate - Mediator



As well as being an experienced commercial mediator David is a commercial litigation Solicitor with 30 years experience and one of the two founding partners in niche commercial firm, Chandler Harris. David has a calm and focused manner. Using his many years of experience as a lawyer in the commercial sector and his pragmatism and "hands on" approach, he is often able to persuade parties to move from previously entrenched positions to agreed settlements. David has managed to achieve settlements in many bitterly fought disputes, two of which had, prior to David's involvement, lasted over a decade.

David uses his highly pragmatic approach to resolve difficult and seemingly intractable disputes. He has a relaxed approach whilst listening to parties' needs and concerns and then steering them towards a resolution of their differences.

His knowledge and understanding of the technical and procedural issues (and the costs) that can bog down parties in litigation help David to grasp very quickly the best route forward for the parties and where appropriate to press the parties to reality test their current position.

### **Professional Background**

David's work includes: property disputes, partnership and shareholder disputes; insolvency disputes; land ownership, boundaries and rights issues; professional negligence; libel; manufacturing disputes; education and school fees issues; commercial agents' claims; franchise disputes; litigation regarding sales of businesses and "earn out" clauses; banking disputes; disputes regarding directors' loan accounts/allegations of breach of fiduciary duties, debt disputes, financial disputes, company and company ownership disputes, leasehold and landlord and tenant disputes, intellectual property, copyright, design right, passing off and trade mark litigation.

The cases and mediations David has worked on include:

- Construction and property litigation and disputes.
- Disputes regarding breach of contract, interpretation of contracts and losses arising from breach of contract.
- Intellectual property disputes (including trade mark, website/url disputes, passing off and copyright claims).
- Disputes regarding solicitors fees
- Claims for professional negligence against solicitors, accountants, surveyors, architects, financial advisers and stock brokers.

- Complex property and shareholder disputes.
- Disputes between liquidators and company directors.
- Disputes between employers and employees, former employees former directors.
- Disputes regarding computer software.
- Partnership disputes and dissolutions.
- Litigation regarding commercial agents and termination claims against principals.
- Credit Hire cases
- Disputes between directors of companies and receivers/administrators and banks regarding the powers of banks and the powers of receivers appointed by banks.
- Resolving boundary, land ownership and neighbour issues.
- Disputes regarding care home fees, private recovery and local authority funding.
- Mental capacity, powers of attorney and court of protection disputes.
- Complicated disputes regarding the prejudice of minority shareholders' interests.
- Disputes between companies regarding faulty goods and services and problems with the supply chain.
- Libel, slander and false imprisonment proceedings.
- Disputes regarding asbestos pollution of properties

#### **Recent Feedback:**

"Started at 10AM, done and dusted by just gone 2 on a matter that had been dragging on for years. Both **client and I very impressed. Would definitely use David again.**"

"...David provides pragmatic advice and is **very persuasive to parties in settlement negotiations.** His skills lie in getting parties to understand their strengths and weaknesses, the costs of litigation, and attention to detail, whilst having a friendly manner..."

"...Having had a recent mediation with David, I left very impressed. He managed the process with the upmost professionalism and was **willing to go the extra mile to try and achieve a settlement. I have already recommended him to other clients!..**"