



McFarlane Legal

dispute resolution



Jonathan Mott

Curriculum Vitae

- Jonathan has had a wide ranging legal practice initially in the suburbs and then for the greater period of his career, in the city of Melbourne.
- Jonathan worked with the Victorian Government Law Department and then as a partner in suburban and city law firms, until he retired as a partner with Deacons in 2003 and joined McFarlane Legal as a specialist mediator. He has practised in commercial litigation, business law, property, town planning and advised in a range of areas.
- Jonathan is a member of the Law Institute of Victoria and has been an Accredited Specialist (Mediation) since 1993.
- **Admission**
 - Supreme Court of Victoria
 - High Court of Australia
- **Professional Qualifications**
 - Bachelor of Laws (University of Melbourne)
 - Diploma Town and Regional Planning (University of Melbourne)
- **Professional Background and Former Appointments**
 - President, Law Institute of Victoria, 1988/1989
 - Managing partner Gadens
 - Member Solicitors' Liability Committee
 - Member Law Council of Australia
 - Member, Victoria Law Foundation
 - Chair, Law Institute Committee on Specialist Accreditation for Alternate Dispute Resolution
 - Accredited specialist in Alternative Dispute Resolution (Mediation) L.I.V.
 - Chair, Victoria Legal Aid
 - Chair, Housing Guarantee Fund Limited
- **Primary Areas of Legal Practice and Expertise**
 - Commercial Disputes

Major commercial litigation for public and private corporations
 - Corporate

Chairperson and director of public and private corporations in banking financial and media

Retained as independent chairperson of Public and Corporate meetings
 - Development and Environment

Environmental advice and instructions on major developments

Seminars to industry and local government

Town planning advice and instructions on major developments

Advocate in planning appeals
- **Mediation Experience**

Jonathan has practised as a mediator since 1991, initially as part of his legal practice, and since 2003 as a specialist mediator with McFarlane Legal.

Nominated by Telecommunications Industry Ombudsman in telecommunications disputes.

Jonathan has received the award of Australian Mediator of the Year 2016 by the publication Wealth and Finance INTL.

Mediator in over 5,500 major disputes in the following areas:

- Major construction
- Commercial
- Insurance
- Property
- Planning
- Personal injuries
- Partnership
- Employment
- Professional negligence
- Telecommunications
- Wills and Probate
- Rural
- Insolvency

➤ **Meeting Experience**

For the past 20 years Jonathan has chaired numerous meetings of listed and public companies and trusts on retainer from trustee companies, funds managers, leading law firms and the companies themselves.

In each case he acted as independent chair due to the contentious nature of the resolutions required to be passed, or because the Corporations laws required an independent chair. On all occasions where necessary ASIC has approved his appointment.

➤ **Publications**

Presented at numerous seminars and conferences on the following:

- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Environmental Law
- Business Law in China
- Leases
- Mediation
- Multidisciplinary professional partnerships
- Secret Commissions
- Town Planning