

Independent Commercial Mediation with Colin David Russ

Colin Russ is leading, independent commercial mediator. He is a Top Ranked Mediator in Band 1 of the Chambers UK Guide 2022 and is a Top Tier Mediator in the Legal 500 Guide 2022.



Colin Russ is an experienced, independent commercial mediator. He has established an excellent reputation for the successful resolution of disputes relating to professional negligence, commercial contracts, shareholder/partnership disputes, construction disputes, real estate and the financial services sector as well as disputes arising from intellectual property rights, insolvency issues and defective cladding claims.

His clients include many of the UK's leading law firms and he has considerable expertise in high value multi-party mediations, involving complex multi-issue disputes.

“A pre-eminent commercial mediator with outstanding experience across various sectors”

Chambers Guide

“The highly recommended Colin Russ is efficient, sensible, highly personable and most importantly, very effective”

Legal 500 Guide

Colin David Russ Commercial Mediator

Over the last 20 years Colin has built up a thriving, independent commercial mediation practice both in the UK.

Originally qualified as a lawyer, Colin practiced as a commercial litigation lawyer for over 20 years, ultimately as Head of Litigation at the Birmingham office of global law firm DLA Piper. After his interest in the mediation process grew, Colin gained his Mediator Accreditation from CEDR and left DLA (as it was then) to set up his mediation practice.

Highly focused on the quality of the mediation process and to ensure the mediation has the maximum chance of success, Colin guarantees not to accept another mediation appointment the day before or day after an existing mediation commitment. This ring-fenced approach to bookings ensures full preparation ahead of the mediation and allows time to be available the next day, should the mediation overrun.

Colin has mediated disputes across a broad range of subjects and has developed particular expertise in relation to disputes arising out of:

- Defective Cladding Claims
- Insolvency Issues
- Construction Disputes
- Professional Negligence
- Commercial Contracts
- Shareholder/Partnership Disputes
- Real Estate
- Intellectual Property
- Financial Services

Please visit the website to view examples of mediation cases within each of these sectors.

“Colin is among the few mediators in the very top bracket, and he has absolutely fantastic control of difficult situations.”

Chambers Guide

“A very competent and experienced mediator, who is always well prepared, calm, and professional in his approach”

Legal 500 Guide

Mediation Fees

Colin Russ is a top ranked mediator in both Chambers and Legal 500 Guides for 2022. If you would like to consider Colin Russ for your upcoming mediation, please see below for details of his current fees and terms of business.

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| 2-Party Mediation (two separately represented parties) | £1,950 per party |
| The fee includes <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pre and post-mediation contact (and liaising between all parties as necessary)• Preparing the draft mediation agreement for approval• Up to five hours preparation/reading time• The mediation day (up to eight hours)• Travelling time to and from the mediation venue <p>Any agreed additional preparation time and/or time on the mediation day £195 p/hr per party</p> | |
| Half Day Mediation (two separately represented parties) | £1,350 per party |
| The fee includes <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pre and post-mediation contact (and liaising between all parties as necessary)• Preparing the draft mediation agreement for approval• Up to three hours preparation/reading time• The mediation half day (up to four hours)• Travelling time to and from the mediation venue <p>Any agreed additional preparation time and/or time on the mediation day £195 p/hr per party</p> | |
| 3-Party Mediation (three separately represented parties) | £1,650 per party |
| The fee includes <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pre and post-mediation contact (and liaising between all parties as necessary)• Preparing the draft mediation agreement for approval• Up to six hours preparation/reading time• The mediation day (up to eight hours)• Travelling time to and from the mediation venue <p>Any agreed additional preparation time and/or time on the mediation day £135 p/hr per party</p> | |
| 4-Party Mediation (four separately represented parties) | £1,500 per party |
| The fee includes <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pre and post-mediation contact (and liaising between all parties as necessary)• Preparing the draft mediation agreement for approval• Up to seven hours preparation/reading time• The mediation day (up to eight hours)• Travelling time to and from the mediation venue <p>Any agreed additional preparation time and/or time on the mediation day £110 p/hr per party</p> | |

“He is very calm and good at bringing the parties to a sensible middle ground to resolve their issues”

Chambers Guide

“Colin Russ is an exceptional mediator with a knack for building rapport”

Legal 500

“I would also like to take this opportunity to thank you, the administration has been first class”

Lawyer Client

Additional Charges

- Travel expenses and disbursements
- VAT at the standard rate will be added to all fees and disbursements