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Hon. Leonard Zito joins ADR Options



Hon. Leonard Zito (Ret.)

Senior Judge Leonard Zito has retired from the Court of Common Pleas in Northampton County and is now serving as a mediator and arbitrator.

Judge Zito was nominated to the Court in 2004 and 2008. He has been serving as Senior Judge starting in 2014. He was assigned complex criminal and civil matters including medical malpractice and commercial litigation.

Since 2015, Judge Zito was the Northampton County Mediation and Settlement Judge. This included conducting settlement conferences both at the pre-trial and trial stages.

Judge Zito has extensive experience in complex commercial, civil, land use, regulatory and environmental cases.

Judge Wallitsch travels to Marrakesh Center for Dispute Resolution

In April, Judge Thomas Wallitsch spent three days in Marrakesh, Morocco. He was invited to lead a panel on training Moroccan lawyers at the Marrakesh Center for Dispute Resolution on the use, benefit, and process of mediation. Morocco has recently begun to use mediation as an Alternative Dispute Resolution tool. In 2005, Judge Wallitsch had worked in Morocco as the judicial liaison to the American Bar Association's Rule of Law Program in that country. He has returned a few times since, creating a course curriculum for the training in judicial ethics, among other projects.



Hon. Tom Wallitsch (Ret.)

Joseph "Pete" Ricchiuti, Esq. presents a CLE on Improving Arbitration Practice



Joseph "Pete" Ricchiuti, Esq.

On Sunday May 5th, Pete was a presenter at the <u>Pennsylvania Bar Association's Civil Litigation Section's Retreat</u>. Along with Federal Magistrate Judge Susan E. Schwab, Pete presented a panel discussion CLE titled "Tips for Improving your Arbitration Practice".

The CLE explored differences in the use of mediation and arbitration. It included take away practical tips on how to improve the use of alternative dispute resolution in commercial mediation and disputes among corporate entities.

To schedule a mediation or arbitration with <u>Judge Zito</u>, <u>Judge Wallitsch</u>, <u>Attorney Ricchiuti</u> or any of our <u>neutrals</u>, please email <u>mcarney@adroptions.com</u> or click below:

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