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CURRENT POSITION

Joan Rowell is an Associate Mediator with Impartial Dispute Resolution Services. She leads the IDRS expansion in the Maryland-DC-Virginia region, particularly for claims of medical malpractice.

EDUCATION

J.D., The Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law, Washington, DC 2003.

Moot Court Associate and Winner Best Brief, Siegel Cup 2001.

M.A. in Philosophy and Social Policy, The George Washington University, Washington, DC 1994:

Thesis, *Privacy and the Public Interest in HIV and AIDS*. Teaching Assistant to Senator Lowell Weicker at the National Law Center for his course, Health Care in the U.S Policy and Priority.

Research Assistant to Dr. Peter Caws, University Professor of Philosophy.

B.A., Goucher College, Towson, Maryland

Philosophy, with Honors 1986.

MEDIATION EDUCATION & ACTIVITIES

American Bar Association Dispute Resolution Section

40 hour Basic Family Mediation, 2005, by Carl D. Schneider, Ph.D, Mediation Matters

Baltimore Mediation Center, Domestic Mediation & Conflict Resolution, 2005

National Institutes for Conflict Resolution, Elder Mediation, Maryland, 2005

REPRESENTATIVE BUSINESS & LEGAL EXPERIENCE

With additional expertise including teaching, writing, recruiting, research and development, Ms. Rowell is a persuasive and effective communicator experienced with quality of life issues and human rights issues. While consulting for International Women's Forum (NPO) in Washington, DC, Ms. Rowell served as Advisor to the Chief Operating Officer and as interface with Middle East Project Partner Organization. At Ethics, Inc., she provided health care public policy and ethics advice, helping create an employee ethics training program and proposal for the American Hospital Association. At the Advocacy Institute (NPO), Washington, DC, Ms. Rowell provided uniformity and facilitated effective communication between grass roots political activists from around the world by creating a universal case study model and a step-by-step training manual for writing case study reports.

As Canvass Director of United Neighborhood Volunteers (NPO), Ms. Rowell grew the grass roots political activism organization's staff from four employees operating at a loss to thirty employees operating at a profit. Business experience includes expanding folk art sales in the eastern United States for Fuentes and Davis, Oaxacan Imports, an import and wholesale Zapotec Indian business.

While at Kohn, Kohn & Colapinto, Washington, DC, Ms Rowell negotiated terms of detailed confidential intellectual property contracts including with a movie studio. She also researched and wrote sections of appellate briefs to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third and Eleventh Circuits in nuclear whistleblower retaliatory discharge cases.

CIVIC ACTIVITIES

American Association of University Women: Member, Board of Directors, Chair, Public Policy Committee, 1997-2000.

League of Women Voters: Member, Board of Directors, Chair, Public Relations Committee, 1996-1998.

Boys & Girls Clubs of America: Recipient, Outstanding Public Service Award, 1995.