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Jonathan Dingle FRSA LL.B (Hons) MCI Arb FSOM Barrister of the Middle Temple, Mediator, Arbitrator Joint Head of Chambers at 218 Strand Chambers

Jonathan Dingle is a leading barrister, mediator and internationally experienced arbitrator complimented as “inspiring”, “remarkable” and “incisive” in his work over 32 years in many fields. At the Bar, he specialises in clinical negligence, personal injury, child, financial, and abuse, and complex cases with a national or international dimension.

He is regarded as something of an institution in Trans-Atlantic dispute resolution. His more than 800 ADR cases have included varied construction, civil and commercial matters, high value sports contracts, equine disputes (including injury and sales), football and cricket issues, and Olympic cases. His feedback from parties is “legendary”. In a recent child death case, he was credited by all parties in the resolution of a very long running, difficult, and tragic matter. He is supported by a full time dispute resolution assistant who eases the path to arbitration and mediation.

As a barrister, he practices from 218 Strand in London enjoying a strong portfolio of work usually with a head injury, psychological, psychiatric, child, financial resolution or abuse bias. He has a deserved reputation in military law. Called as a Barrister of the Middle Temple in 1986 following a distinguished career at sea in the Royal Navy working as a Commander with NATO navies, and he served in operations at sea in the Gulf War before becoming a Judge Advocate.

As such he has consistently dealt with complex and challenging cases – working alone and as part of a team. In the MOD, he briefed ministers and heads of state, and ran a substantial range of sensitive projects, both led by and leading senior civil servants. He was fully deep vetted to the highest levels and retains the extended security clearance in his present part-time judicial appointment.

He entered private bar practice in 1996. He has built a reputation as a leading adviser, negotiator, and practitioner in complex and difficult cases – both in the UK and overseas. He is often instructed in clinical negligence claims, as well as where fraud, partnership or regulatory issues have arisen.

As a mediator, his work for more than a decade led to his appointment as Honorary Secretary of the United Kingdom’s Civil Mediation Council in 2003, a post which he held for eight years. He played a major role in influencing judges, practitioners, and stakeholders in previously intractable disputes. His presently Chair of Trustees of the Society of Mediators, the mediation charity.

He has led more than 250 mediation and arbitration training courses in Europe and internationally which have been universally praised. In doing so, he has already created a generation of mediators worldwide under the facilitative model. He has helped established associations worldwide. He is currently undertaking pro bono work establishing reconciliation processes in schools in South Africa and elsewhere in Africa, where bullying, abuse and other issues are rife.

His work was recognised as “Mediation Achiever of the Year” in the 2009 United Kingdom Personal Injury Awards and again in 2016.

“Jonathan Dingle is widely regarded as the epitome of a modern international mediator who brings a relaxed style and a razor-sharp mind to every mediation, helping participants resolve disputes that seemed intractable”

He co-leads an acclaimed training course for medico-legal expert witnesses and will publish a textbook on the subject in 2018.

He arbitrates in gold mining, construction, and wet shipping matters and chairs

Football Disciplinary Panels. He is also a member of a number of advisory groups and panels, has chaired inquiries and standards boards, and holds a part-time Judicial Appointment in the United Kingdom dealing with highly sensitive matters.

As an arbitrator, Jonathan chaired or coordinated a number of panels for the Chartered Institute in London for some years. He is honoured with membership of the Association of Arbitrators of Southern Africa in recognition for his work in that country. Similar recognition was granted in India, in the Cayman Islands, and in the Bahamas. His largest solo case was worth \$250million with a ten day hearing.

Jonathan’s style is relatively informal but should not be mistaken for an absence of a fine seamanlike eye for detail, or a thorough grounding in procedure on which he is widely consulted. His arbitrations as a sole appointment generally proceed faster than the average. His awards are carefully constructed and clear to read – and generally quickly available.

Jonathan’s interests include his Morgan, exploring on a motorcycle, theatre and film, running and surfing - and most of all his grandsons.

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