

Henry E. Farber

Mediator and Arbitrator

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Henry E. Farber has worked in labor and employment law since 1979, first with the National Labor Relations Board, and then as an attorney in private practice and as in-house counsel. Henry represented employers in labor matters and employers and individuals in employment litigation. Henry has been a full-time neutral since June 2022.

Henry has been consistently recognized as a top lawyer in the labor and employment field by leading publications such as Best Lawyers in America and Chambers USA.

Henry conducts both in-person and virtual hearings.

Dispute Resolution Practice Highlights

Certificate in Professional Mediation, Cornell University Scheinman Institute on Conflict Resolution, 2019 Small Claims Court Intensive Mediation Program, Dispute Resolution Center of King County, 2020-21 Mediated more than 70 cases since 2021 Member, Washington PERC Dispute Resolution Panel Member, Labor Arbitration Panel, American Arbitration Association Member, Montana Department of Labor & Industries Arbitration Panel

Education and Bar Admissions

J.D. University of California, Berkeley, School of Law, 1983
Order of the Coif
B.S. School of Industrial and Labor Relations, Cornell University, 1978
Admitted to practice in California, 1983
Admitted to practice in Washington, 1989



Arbitration Experience

Industries

Public Sector: Higher Education, Library Systems, City and County Agencies, Health Care

Private Sector: Health Care, Communications, Airlines, Manufacturing, Aerospace, Technology

Issues

Termination and discipline (including absenteeism, on-duty misconduct, off-duty misconduct, performance standards, harassment, and dishonesty), arbitrability, contract interpretation, layoff selection, seniority, management rights, probationary status, assignment, discrimination, subcontracting, neutrality agreements

Professional Recognition

- Fellow, College of Labor and Employment Lawyers, inducted in 2014
- Named one of America's Leading Lawyers for Business by Chambers USA in Labor & Employment (Washington), 2010-2022
- Named one of the Best Lawyers in America in Labor and Employment Law by Best Lawyers, 2001-2022
- Selected to Washington Super Lawyers, by Thomson Reuters, 2007-2009, 2011-2021

Memberships & Affiliations

- American Bar Association, 1983-present
- Labor Relations Advisory Council, 2010 to present
- Board of Trustees, East King County Bar Association, 2003-2010
- Lecturer in Labor Relations and the Law, University of Washington Law School, 2015
- Commissioner, Issaquah Independent Salary Commission, 2023
- Member, Washington State Bench-Bar-Press Committee, appointed in 2023



Arbitration Rates (2023):

\$2,000 per hearing day

\$2,000 per day for study and writing, prorated to nearest hour

Cancellation Fees:

Cancellation with fewer than 30 days' notice: 50% of daily hearing fee for each day cancelled, up to three days.

Cancellation with 14 or fewer days' notice: 100% of daily hearing fee for each day cancelled, up to three days.

Travel:

Actual cost of travel will be charged, with mileage charged at IRS rate. Travel time will not be charged.