



Scott M. Bonavita

As a highly experienced attorney with over 22 years of litigation expertise, of which 11 years includes alternative dispute resolution, Scott is known for his integrity, honesty, and tenacity. He is a natural leader and creative problem solver, with a proven track record of success in resolving conflicts, supervising legal teams, and developing strategic plans that promote financial success across various industries.

SCHEDULE A MEDIATION →

LOCATION

Tampa, FL

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RATE CARD

2 Party Mediations - \$250.00 per hour, per party (time is computed to next half hour)

3 Party Mediations - \$215.00 per hour, per party

4+ Party Mediations - \$190.00 per hour, per party

To avoid confusion, a "party" is defined as all parties who are represented by the same counsel.

CANCELLATION POLICY

A minimum fee of three hours for half-day sessions and six hours for full-day sessions will be charged. We do not charge rescheduling fees for mediations that are canceled or rescheduled prior to seven (7) days before a scheduled mediation. All cancellations must be communicated in writing (e-mail is sufficient) with the agreement of all parties noted.

Please note that for Bonavita Mediation to remain neutral, it is our policy to bill all parties equally for their portion of our minimum fees regardless of which party cancels a session or why it was canceled, even if it is being rescheduled, has settled, or one side is still willing to move forward.

PAYMENT

Law firms and lawyers, not their clients, will be invoiced and are responsible for the mediation bill. Payment is due within ten (10) days of the date of the bill and is not conditioned on receipt of the settlement funds. Past due bills will accrue interest at the highest legal rate and will result in additional charges for time and fees spent on collection.

When necessary, we reserve the right to require a deposit. Failure to pay a requested deposit by the deadline will result in cancellation of the mediation.

Pro se parties must pay no later than the conclusion of the mediation conference.

PRIMARY MEDIATION PRACTICE AREA

- Insurance Disputes
- Personal Injury
- Business/Contract Disputes
- Property Damage
- Premises Liability
- Products Liability
- Construction Defects

OTHER MEDIATION PRACTICE AREAS

- Admiralty
- Bankruptcy/Creditors
- Breach of Contract
- Business Dissolution
- Commercial/Business
- Community Associations
- Condominiums
- Debt Collections
- Employment
- ERISA
- Family Businesses
- Health Care
- Land Use/Planning
- Landlord/Tenant
- Libel & Slander
- Local Gov/Municipalities
- Mortgage Foreclosure
- Non-Profit Organizations
- Nursing Homes
- Partnerships
- Real Estate
- Torts
- Wage & Hour/FMLA
- Wrongful Death

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Colorado, September 2021
- Florida, April 2002
- Southern District of Florida, October 2003
- Northern District of Florida, May 2004
- Middle District of Florida, September 2004
- United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, May 2004
- Certified Circuit Court Mediator, 2014-Present
- Member, American Bar Association, 2000-Present
- Member, Hillsborough County Bar Association, 2005-Present

EDUCATION

- Juris Doctor, December 2001
St. Thomas University School of Law, Miami, FL
Activities: Member, St. Thomas Moot Court Board, 2000-2001;
President of Entertainment & Sports Law Society 2000-2001
Honors: 2000 Richard and Jeannette F. Hausler Scholarship Recipient
- Master of Science in Sports Administration, December 2001
St. Thomas University, Miami, FL
- Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, July 1998
University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Senior Counsel September 2023-June 2024
Tyson Mendes, Tampa, FL
- Owner /Attorney/Mediator March 2012-September 2023
Bonavita Law Firm, Tampa, FL
- Associate Attorney January 2011-March 2012
Conroy Simberg, Tampa, FL
- Associate Attorney January 2008-January 2011
Groelle & Salmon, Tampa, FL
- Associate Attorney May 2006- January 2008
Battaglia, Ross, Dicus & Wein, St. Petersburg, FL
- Associate Attorney February 2005- May 2006
Haas, Dutton & Lewis, Tampa, FL
- Assistant State Attorney February 2002- February 2005
State of Florida