

Signature Resolution Welcomes James M. Treppa to Our Panel of Neutrals

Litigator and longtime firm leader brings a dimensional view of conflict to mediation.

SAN FRANCISCO, CA (October, 1 2026) — [Signature Resolution](#) is proud to announce that James M. Treppa has joined our panel of neutrals as a mediator. Jim spent his legal career representing businesses and insureds in courtrooms throughout Northern and Central California, arguing a substantial share of those disputes all the way to verdict. For nearly twenty years of that same career, he also acted as managing partner of his firm, a dual vantage point that shaped how he now approaches every case he mediates.

Jim's litigation practice centered on property, tenancy, HOA, and personal injury disputes, later broadening to include construction, product liability, and employment matters. His work in the courtroom carried him to the California Courts of Appeal, where he advocated for clients across hundreds of mediations and arbitrations, giving him a working feel for how negotiations unfold well before he sat on the other side of the table.

As a neutral, Jim arrives at each session with a thorough grasp of the case so nothing competes for his attention once the parties are in the room. Litigators who have worked with him, on either side of a case, point to the same trait: he speaks plainly and treats the needs of each party as seriously as the facts of the case itself.

"Jim brings the seasoned discipline of a trial lawyer and the practical judgment of someone who has run a firm, a combination that serves parties well at the table," said Dario Higuchi, founder and Chief Executive Officer of Signature Resolution. "We are very proud to welcome him to our panel."

Jim held a board seat with the Association of Defense Counsel of Northern California and Nevada and was named a Northern California Super Lawyer for over a decade, most recently in 2026. He also belongs to the American Bar Association, the Defense Research Institute, the San Francisco Bar Association, and the Marin County Bar Association.

Jim earned his Juris Doctor from Golden Gate University School of Law and his Bachelor of Science in Business Economics from the University of California, Santa Barbara.

To learn more about James M. Treppa, please visit: [LINK](#)

About Signature Resolution

Founded in 2017 in the heart of Los Angeles, Signature Resolution comprises a panel of distinguished neutrals hailing from diverse backgrounds, including respected judges and trial attorneys specializing in virtually every civil practice area. The founding partners inaugurated the organization with a vision of providing the highest level of service and convenience for attorneys and their clients. Signature Resolution's panelists offer unrivaled expertise and commitment to resolve even the most challenging legal matters. In addition to the Los Angeles location, Signature Resolution also has offices across California. For more information about the firm's mediation, arbitration, and other dispute resolution services, visit signatureresolution.com.