

## JAY H. SANDAK

Jay H. Sandak, Partner of the Stamford, Waterbury and New Haven CT law firm, Carmody Torrance Sandak & Hennessey LLP, has practiced in Connecticut for more than forty years. He has extensive trial experience in both state and federal courts in personal injury and commercial litigation including professional liability, land use, complex condemnation, contract disputes, business torts and intellectual property cases. His trial skills form a solid foundation for him when he serves as a private Mediator and Arbitrator. He is a Fellow of the American College of Civil Trial Mediators, a member of the Association of Attorney Mediators and a member of the American Arbitration Association Panel of Neutrals. He has and continues to serve as a Special Master for the U.S. Federal District Court of Connecticut and the Connecticut Superior Court negotiating settlements where he has served for almost twenty years.

His litigation background has been supplemented by serving as Corporation Counsel for the City of Stamford and representing multiple municipal police unions in grievance and unfair labor practice proceedings. He holds a B.A. degree from Colby College (1968) and J.D. degree from Syracuse University College of Law (1971). Before starting private practice, he was a law clerk for the Hon. Robert L. Kunzig at the United States Court of Claims, Washington, D.C. He is admitted to practice in Connecticut, the U.S. District Court, District of Connecticut, U.S. Court of Appeals 2nd Circuit and the United States Supreme Court. He enjoys an AV Preeminent rating from Martindale-Hubbell and has been consistently listed in the Best Lawyers in American, Best Lawyers, New York Region and listed in New England SuperLawyers in the area of Alternative Dispute Resolution, including being listed in Connecticut Magazine SuperLawyers 2010 as being one of the Top 50 Attorneys in Connecticut.

### **Professional Mediation Training**

- 2012 - "Advanced Attorney Mediation Training", Association of Attorney Mediators, Chicago, Illinois.
- 2010 – "Advanced Attorney Mediation Training", Association of Attorney Mediators, Houston, Texas
- 2010 - "Advanced Commercial Mediation Training" New York City Bar Association, NY, NY
- 2008 - "Advanced Mediation", Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution, Pepperdine University School of Law, Woodstock, VT
- 2008 - "Advanced Attorney-Mediator Training", Association of Attorney-Mediators, San Diego, CA
- 2007 - "Advanced Mediation and Advocacy Skills Training", American Bar Association, Section of Dispute Resolution; San Antonio, TX
- 2007 - "Basic Mediation Training Conflict Resolution Theory and Techniques", New York City Bar Association, NY, NY
- 2004 - "Advanced Mediation Training & Optimizing the Value of the Lawyer's Role in Mediation", New York City Bar Association, NY, NY

## Areas of Practice

- Mediation
- Land Use
- Business Disputes
- Bad Faith Insurance Claims
- Personal Injury

## Bar Admissions

- Connecticut, 1971
- District of Columbia, 1972
- U.S. District Court District of Connecticut, 1972
- U.S. Court of Appeals 2nd Circuit, 1985
- U.S. Court of Federal Claims, 1972
- U.S. Supreme Court, 1976

## Education

- **Syracuse University College of Law, Syracuse, New York**
  - J.D.
  - Honors: Justinian Law Society
  - Law Review: Syracuse Law Review, Symposium Editor, 1968 - 1971
- **Colby College, Waterville, Maine**
  - B.A. - 1968
  - Major: Government

## Published Works

- Exclusionary Zoning A Legislative Approach, 22. Syracuse. L Rev 583, 1971

## Representative Cases

- Cogswell v. American Transit Insurance, 282 Conn 505 (2007)
- Lindholm v. Brant, 283 Conn 65 (Conn Superior Court 2007)
- Morganbesser v. Aquarian Water Co., 276 Conn 825 (2006)
- Town of Darien v. Estate of D'Addario, 258 Conn 663 (2001)
- Zapata v. Burns, 207 Conn 496 (1988)
- Hegy v. Plan & Zoning Commission (1988)
- Weiss v. Wiederlight, 208 Conn 528 (1988)
- Marmah v. Greemanly, 172 Conn 707 (1977)
- Two Sister v. Gosen & Co., 171 Conn 492 (1976)

## Classes/Seminars

- Facilitator, Advanced Mediation Institute, American Bar Association, Dispute Resolution Section, Boston, MA 2012
- Presenter, Protocols for Expeditious, Cost-Effective Commercial Arbitrations, Connecticut Bar Association, 2011
- Moderator/Presenter, "Mediation - Get With the Program", Fairfield County Bar Association, 2011
- Presenter, Setting the Stage for Mediation, Advanced Attorney Mediation Training, Association of Attorney Mediators, Houston, Texas, 2010
- Moderator, Gamesmanship: Does It Have A Place in Civil Litigation?, Fairfield County Bar Association, 2010
- Moderator and Presenter, Mediation in Land Use Disputes, Fairfield County Bar Association, 2009
- Mediation & Settlement Conference, Fairfield County Bar Association, 2008
- Role of the Attorney in Mediation, Fairfield County Bar Association, 2004
- Moderator, Professionalism and Civility in the Courtroom, Connecticut Bar Association, 2004
- Panelist, Product Liability, Connecticut Bar Association, 1995
- Government Liability - Recreation Torts, Fairfield County Bar Association, 1991
- Use of Expert Witnesses, Loss of Earning Capacity, Fairfield County Bar Association, 1990

### **Professional Associations and Memberships**

- American College of Civil Trial Mediators, Fellow
- Association of Attorney Mediators
- American Bar Association, Dispute Resolution Section
- Connecticut Bar Association, ADR Section, Co-Chairman 2013-14
- Fairfield County Bar Association
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### **Past Employment Positions**

- Hon. R. L. Kunzig, US Court, of Claims, Washington DC, Law Clerk, 1972 - 1973
- Silver Golub & Sandak, Partner, 1976 - 1990
- Sandak, Hennessey & Greco, LLP, Partner, 1990 - 2013