



2021 Virtual Symposiums

# Mediation 2021: Where Do We Go from Here?



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Revisiting Our Values

IAM Fall 2021 Symposium *Mediation 2021: Where Do We Go from Here*

## Revisiting Our Values:

### Spirituality and Introspection After the Pandemic

**Wednesday, December 15, 2021**

**10 AM – 12 PM Pacific Time US**

10 AM Pacific US/Canada | 1 PM Eastern US/Canada | 6 PM London  
8 PM Israel | 4 AM (Thurs) Brisbane

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**PROGRAM:** Mediators throughout the globe are engaged in the resolution of disparate issues in widely diverse settings. In approaching this work, many mediators are attuned to the relationship between their inner world and outward-facing world and how this relationship may influence their practice.

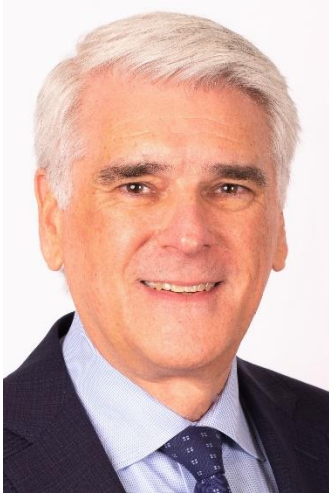
This two hour panel will discuss whether the crisis of the last two years has changed those worlds, relationships, and practices. Through an interactive discussion with mediators and scholars from different faith traditions, we will explore the effects of isolation, shared suffering, healing, sources of wisdom, faith, and introspection on us as people and as mediators. Many of us think about the spiritual foundations of our practice, but we rarely articulate or share those thoughts. Why is that? How does our reflection or inhibition to share affect outcomes and interactions with parties and stakeholders?

Join us for a unique exploration of *Mediation 2021: Where Do We Go from Here?* The program will include an open discussion with audience members.



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## Symposium Speakers/Panelists



**Greg Derin** Through more than 20 years, Greg Derin has successfully assisted parties in resolving more than a thousand complex disputes. Greg is a Distinguished Fellow of the International Academy of Mediators and a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. Twice yearly for eight years, Greg assisted mediation pioneer Harvard Law School Professor Frank E. A. Sander, and Washington, D.C. mediators Linda Singer and Michael Lewis in teaching the prestigious “Mediation Workshop” at the Harvard Negotiation Institute’s Program on Negotiation. Greg is a past Chair of the Southern California Chapter of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, and the California State Bar’s Standing Committee on Alternative Dispute Resolution. Recognized each year since 2006 as a *SuperLawyer™* in

Alternative Dispute Resolution, Greg has been selected to be a member of the National and California Academies of Distinguished Neutrals, the CPR Panel of Distinguished Neutrals, and the Arbitration Panels of the American Arbitration Association and the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO). Greg has also been named by Best Lawyers™ in their Tier 1 Best Law Firms for Mediation in Los Angeles. Greg was named a *Power Mediator* in *The Hollywood Reporter’s* list of the mediators to whom the national entertainment community turns to resolve its disputes.

Greg Derin is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the University of California at Berkeley, from which he received an A.B. degree with Highest Honors in 1976. He received a J.D. degree from Boalt Hall School of Law at the University of California at Berkeley in 1979, where he was on the editorial board of the *California Law Review*.

Greg has served as Chairman of the Board of Directors of one of the largest synagogues in North America, President of the Pacific Southwest Region of the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, and as a member of the International Board of Directors of the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism and the Board of Advisors of the Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies.



### **Dr. Zaza Johnson Elsheikh MBBS PGDipLP**

is dually qualified as a medical doctor and solicitor (1994 and 2004 respectively) as well as being a highly innovative and experienced mediator and International Commercial Arbitrator (CIArb). [www.cmds.org.uk](http://www.cmds.org.uk). Zaza has a mixed cultural (Afro-Arab/Caribbean) background with (Baptist-Muslim) parentage. This heritage and her professional experience have enabled her to effortlessly build a rapport within and between groups with diverse socio-economic and political backgrounds. She is an active pluralist and is fluent in English and

Arabic. Her commitment to improving the levels of engagement within ethnic and religious communities is strongly evidenced by her founding the charity: **BIMA** a multi-faith association of Mediators and Arbitrators [www.bimagroup.org](http://www.bimagroup.org) which is a CMC accredited training provider,

Zaza authored a mediation course “Bridging Extreme Differences” which is delivered annually on a residential basis. This course is informed by her diverse cultural and religious experience as well as her roles as Chair of the National Counter-Terrorism Advisory Network and as a Home Office approved Mentor and Theologian. Zaza has been appointed as a Consultant to the Home Office for the resolution of the Windrush generations’ grievances.



**Bill Marsh** is a leading international mediator. Formerly a corporate lawyer, he has mediated full-time since 1991 in commercial and other disputes involving governments, national and international businesses, professional firms, factions, pressure groups and individuals from over 50 countries. In addition to his commercial mediation practice, Bill also mediates in conflicts involving religious, ethnic, political and human rights issues. He has served as adviser on mediation/conflict resolution to many governments including Russia, Turkey, Ukraine, Romania, Bulgaria and Slovakia, and bodies such as the European Union Commission, the United Nations and the World Bank. He has also served as Special Adviser on Reconciliation to the Archbishop of

Canterbury, and in 2016 received the Archbishop’s inaugural award for outstanding services to reconciliation. He also represented the UK in the original UN negotiations to produce the UNCITRAL Model Law on International Commercial Mediation and worked with the UN on issues relating to the Nepal peace process.

Bill is a Distinguished Fellow of the International Academy of Mediators. He writes and speaks widely on mediation and conflict. Details can be found at [www.billmarsh.co.uk](http://www.billmarsh.co.uk).



**Rabbi Dr. Daniel Roth** is the director of Mosaica, The Religious Peace Initiative which serves as a network of ‘insider religious mediators’ advancing both religious peace and mitigating crisis situations in Israel and the Middle East. Roth also works to connect religious leaders to the tens of community mediation and dialogue centers throughout Israel that Mosaica supports. In addition, Roth is a core faculty member at Bar-Ilan University’s Graduate Program for Conflict Management, Resolution and Negotiation, where he teaches graduate courses on religious peacebuilding as well as supervises graduate students. His book *Third-party Peacemakers in Judaism: Text Theory and Practice*, was published by Oxford University Press in Spring 2021. Roth was the founder and director of the Pardes Center for Judaism and Conflict

Resolution, the Mahloket Matters Projects and the 9Adar:Jewish Week of Constructive Conflict / Dibur

Hadash Israeli Week of Mediation and Dialogue. Roth is a regular lecturer for MEJDI Tours/National Geographic, and was a senior research fellow at George Mason University's Center for World Religions, Diplomacy and Conflict Resolution. Roth holds a Ph.D. from Bar-Ilan University's Graduate Program for Conflict Management, Resolution and Negotiation, a MA in Talmud from Hebrew University, a B.Ed in Jewish Philosophy from Herzog Teachers' College, and studied for eight years in Yeshivat Har-Etzion during which time he received Orthodox rabbinic ordination.



**Sukhsimranjit Singh** is an expert in Conflict Resolution. He is the Judge Danny Weinstein Managing Director of the Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution and associate professor of law and practice at Pepperdine Caruso School of Law where he also directs the LLM program in dispute resolution. A speaker and author on advanced mediation and cross-cultural dispute resolution, he has published numerous articles in that field, and has delivered TEDx talks in India in the U.S. He has mediated intercultural and commercial cases in the

United States, India, Canada, and New Zealand among other countries. He has trained lawyers and law students in 45 countries. An Honorary Fellow with the International Academy of Mediators, he served as a council member of the Section of Dispute Resolution of the American Bar Association and currently serves as board member at Weinstein International Foundation and Executive Committee member of AALS Section of Dispute Resolution. Singh serves on AAA-ICDR panel of international mediators and was recently featured in Prominent Sikh Scholars and Educationalists and was nominated for Peace Award by City of Beverly Hills for mediating large public policy conflicts in Oregon and in California. Singh has successfully mediated high profile religious cases as well cases involving more than a hundred parties. He is passionate for bringing the eastern wisdom as well the western science to his mediation practice and teaching. Singh has a doctorate and a master's in laws in dispute resolution and has clerked with Chief Justice of India. He can be reached at [singhadr.com](http://singhadr.com).



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