

LAPIN

MEDIATION

Michael L. Lapin, Esq.  
Mediator

**Michael L. Lapin, Esq.** is a highly qualified and experienced management professional recognized for a broad-based background in business development, commercial property management, turnaround / re-engineering in both the public and private sectors.

Mr. Lapin is well known as an accomplished, focused, Senior-Level Executive and lawyer with creative vision and comprehensive experience. He has particular strengths interpersonal skills, analysis, and creativity in financial restructuring of distressed properties and retail chains, military base conversions and closures has made him a highly-respected neutral.



**RESOLUTION EXPERIENCE**

- As a past member of the Orange County Airport Commission for 12 years, having twice served as Chairman, Mr. Lapin oversaw hundreds of disputes.
- Mr. Lapin dealt with many disputes as the past chair of the Orange County Public Finance Advisory Committee.
- Negotiated such agencies as the Department of Defense, Navy, Marine Corps, FAA, HUD.
- Attended the LA County Bar Association’s 30-Hour Basic Mediation Training in February of 2003.
- Completed Pepperdine’s Mediated the Litigated Case in June of 2003.
- Mr. Lapin is a certified mediator for the Orange County Fair Housing Council. Mr. Lapin has mediated dozens of cases helping to secure their 80%-90% success rate in mediations

**BACKGROUND EXPERIENCE**

- Program Manager, Orange County MCAS El Toro Master Development Program, 1999-2000 wherein Mr. Lapin oversaw this high profile and very controversial \$10 million project.
- Owner/Manager/Partner, Formed various private real estate organizations throughout Northern and Southern California to acquire, turnaround and operate various retail and commercial properties – total lease area 1.5 million square feet, 1975-1995. His hands-on involvement included promoting community involvement and ensured positive political relations through direct involvement with government officials (elected and appointed), Chambers of Commerce, Convention Center activities, Bureaus, Advisory Committees, and Task Forces.

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- Captain and Assistant Staff Judge Advocate of the U.S. Army

**SPECIALTIES:**

- Business Development
- Commercial Property Management
- Consulting
- Distressed Property Workouts
- Financial Restructuring
- Military Base Conversion
- Operations / Administrator
- Program Management
- Project Management
- Property Development
- Retail / Commercial Properties
- Turnaround / Re-engineering

**Professional Affiliations:**

Past President of the Orange County Airport Commission 12 years

Past President of the Orange County Public Financing Advisory Committee 3 years

**SPECIAL HONORS AND MEMBERSHIPS**

- Was a member of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Jewish Federation
- Received a commendation from the Orange County Board of Supervisors for his work as president of the Orange County Chapter of the American Jewish Committee
- A recipient of the Humanitarian of the Year Award from the Orange County division of the National Conference of Christians and Jews