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Education: B.S., Truman State University, 1981; Master of Public Affairs, University of Missouri – Columbia, 1983 (with honors); J.D., St. Louis University, 1993 (Cum Laude); Washington University School of Law, Civil Mediation Training, 2004; Association of Attorney Mediators – St. Louis Chapter mediation updates (monthly); ADR Court-Certified Neutrals Seminar January 2014; Association of Attorney Mediators Training – Mastering the Art of Mediation Advocacy, October 2014; ADR Court-Certified Neutrals Seminar January 2016.

Accomplishments: Mr. Kennedy has been admitted to practice law in Missouri and Illinois since 1993. He has practiced in the areas of employment discrimination, bankruptcy/creditors' rights and criminal defense. Mr. Kennedy has represented both employers and employees in employment discrimination cases. For fourteen (14) years, he worked as a Senior Trial Attorney for the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC). As a mediator, Mr. Kennedy has mediated employment disputes throughout Missouri, Kansas, Illinois, Oklahoma and Nebraska. Mr. Kennedy is certified to mediate lawsuits filed in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri and qualified under Missouri Supreme Court Rule 17 as a mediator for the Circuit Courts for the Twenty-First and Twenty-Second Judicial Circuits in Missouri.

Affiliations: Association of Attorney-Mediators (both St. Louis and National Chapters); Community Mediation Services of St. Louis; Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis – ADR Committee.