



HON. HOWARD MILLER (Ret.)

Associate Justice, Appellate Division, 2nd Dept., Rockland

Honorable Howard Miller brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to NAM. His illustrious career includes 11 years as a Justice on the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court, Second Department. Prior to that, he served in many judicial capacities in New York and also was a private practitioner. As such, Honorable Miller is unequivocally qualified to facilitate settlements through mediation and to fairly and expertly decide on arbitration matters.

While in private practice, Judge Miller handled a wide variety of case types including commercial, real estate, land use, personal injury and matrimonial.



Judge Miller began his judicial career in 1972 as the Town Justice for the Town of Orangetown (Rockland County). Thereafter, in Rockland County, he served as a Family Court Judge for 6 years and a County Court Judge for 3 years. Judge Miller assumed the position of Acting Supreme Court Justice and Acting Surrogate for 3 years. In 1991, he was appointed as a

Justice of the Supreme Court, Ninth Judicial District. From 1999 until 2010, he served as an Associate Justice, for the Appellate Division, Second Department. Throughout his many years on the bench, Judge Miller has demonstrated a keen legal intellect, an ideal judicial temperament and a compassion for those who appeared before him. His prominent appointments by Chief Judge Judith S. Kaye and Honorable A. Gail Prudenti to serve on a number of legal committees and boards are further evidence of his remarkable abilities.

In 2010, Judge Miller retired from the bench and joined NAM's panel of distinguished arbitrators and mediators, serving the New York Metropolitan area. His subject matter expertise encompasses all areas of the law, at both the trial and appellate levels. While on the bench, Judge Miller settled thousands of cases. He is extremely skilled as a mediator and arbitrator and can handle everything from the simplest of cases to the most complex of matters and legal issues. In 2013, the New York Law Journal Reader Rankings Survey voted Judge Miller as one of the top ten Arbitrators in New York State in the "Best Individual Arbitrator" Category. Judge Miller possesses a unique understanding of the ADR process that benefits both the litigants and the attorneys.

ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION EXPERIENCE

- Attorney Malpractice
- Bond/Surety
- Appellate Practice
- Business/Commercial/Corporate
- Construction
- Education
- Employment Rights/Labor
- Environmental Law Planning
- Equipment Financing, Leasing
- Insurance
- Legal Ethics, Professional Liabilities
- Matrimonial
- Medical Malpractice
- Negligence
- Partnership Law
- Personal Injury
- Premises Liability
- Property, Land Law, Leasing
- Torts and Product Liability
- Trusts and Estates

JUDICIAL EXPERIENCE

- Referee, Appellate Division, 2nd Department - Civil Appeals Management Program (2010-present)
- Associate Justice, Appellate Division, 2nd Department (1999-2010)
- Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, Ninth Judicial District (1991-1999)
- Acting Supreme Court Justice and Acting Surrogate (1981-1984)
- Judge of the County Court, Rockland County (1981-1984)
- Judge of the Family Court, Rockland Co. (1974-1980)
- Town Justice, Town of Orangetown (1972-1974))

PROFESSIONAL LICENSES

- Admitted to practice in the State of New York (1961)

MILITARY

- US Army Judge Advocate General's Office (1959)

HONORS and AWARDS

- New York Law Journal Reader Rankings Survey 2013, Top Ten - Best Individual Arbitrator Category
- Rockland County Bar Association Award (2005)
- Rockland County Women's Bar Association Award (2002)
- New York State Trial Lawyers Associate Award (1998)
- Legal Aid Society Award (1991)
- Silver Beaver Award-Boy Scouts of America (1990)
- Distinguished Citizen Award, Boy Scouts of America (1988)
- United Jewish Community Award (1988)
- Rockland County Future Inc. Dedicated Service Award (1986)
- Israel Freedom Award (1985)
- First Annual Founders Award - Big Brothers/Big Sisters (1985)
- Outstanding Service Award - Volunteer Counseling Service (1981)
- President's Lion's Club Award (1976)
- Tishman Scholar Award, NYU Law School (1958)
- All College Award; Journalism Award (1957)

MEMBERSHIPS and PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Co-Chair, New York County Lawyers Association Task Force on the Family Court, by appointment of Chief Judge Judith Kaye (2008-present)
- Member, The New York State Law Guardian Committee, by appointment of Hon. A. Gail Prudenti (2005- 2010)
- Chair, New York State Continuing Legal Education Board, served 3 year term, by appointment of Chief Judge Judith Kaye (2000-2003)
- Member, Office of Court Administration Committee on Matrimonial Practice (1994-present)
- Member, Committee on the Profession and the Courts by appointment of Chief Judge Judith Kaye (1993-1995)
- Member, Court Administration-Case Management Committee (1993-1995)
- Chair, Court Administration Gender Fairness Subcommittee and Member of the Ninth Judicial District Gender Fairness Committee (1992-1998)
- Member, Governors Carey and Cuomo Commissions on Domestic Violence (1979-1983)
- Member, Faculty of National Judicial College (1975-1980)
- Founder and Past Chairman, Orangetown Narcotics Guidance Council
- Former President, Rockland County Council, Boy Scouts of America
- President of the Information Exchange, Young Chronic Patients

EDUCATION

- Brooklyn College (1957)
- New York University School of Law, LL.B. (1961)

TEACHING and PUBLICATIONS

- “Committee on the Profession and the Courts,” Final Report to the Chief Judge, published November, 1995
- “Matrimonial Case Management,” 1993
- “Gender Fairness Subcommittee Final Report,” 1993
- “Rehabilitation vs. Retribution vs. Economic Crisis,” TIE-Lines, 1992