



Joe Matthews
Joseph M. Matthews, P.A.

Joe Matthews has been a trial and appellate advocate for 40 years. He is a magna cum laude graduate of the University of Miami, School of Law where he was an Editor of the Law Review and recipient of the Wesley Sturges Award, graduating first in his class.

He is a Fellow and Past-President of the International Academy of Trial Lawyers, a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates.

He is a member of the American Law Institute and is an Honorary Bencher of the Inn of Court of Northern Ireland.

In addition to his trial and appellate practice, Mr. Matthews has been an advocate in arbitration and a neutral arbitrator for more than 25 years. He is a Chartered Arbitrator and Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and a Fellow of the College of Commercial Arbitrators. He served for 12 years as a member of the Board of Directors of American Arbitration Association and for 3 years on its Executive Committee. He now serves as a Fellow and member of the Board of Directors of The Dispute Board Federation.

Mr. Matthews is a Florida Certified Circuit Civil Mediator and Certified Mediator by the Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution (CEDR). He serves as mediator in commercial, construction, insurance, hospitality, employment, class action and personal injury cases pending in state and federal courts of the United States, as well as in commercial and investment arbitration disputes domestically and internationally. He is a member of the Panel of Mediators appointed by the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida and is also on the AAA Panel of Mediators.

Mr. Matthews has lectured and taught extensively in the US and other countries on topics including substantive law, civil justice systems and procedure, trial tactics, arbitration, rule of law and ethics, as well as technology. He taught at the National University of Mongolia and lectured at the University of Dundee, in Dundee Scotland. He lectured at the Central Party School, Beijing, China on the role of lawyers and the rule of law.

JOSEPH MICHAEL MATTHEWS

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

- JOSEPH M. MATTHEWS, P.A. (2001-Present)
- THE LAW FIRM OF COLSON HICKS EIDSON, P.A. (1989-2017)
- SENATOR BOB GRAHAM, Washington, D.C. Special Counsel, (1/89 - 7/89)
- MURAI, WALD, BIONDO, MATTHEWS & MORENO, P. A. (10/80 - 12/88)
- PAUL, LANDY & BEILEY (11/77-10/80)
- UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI SCHOOL OF LAW, Adjunct Faculty (1981 – 1985 and 2017 – present)

EDUCATION:

Law School:

- University of Miami School of Law, J. D. (1977)
No. 1 of 341; Wesley Sturges Honor Scholar;
Articles and Comments Editor, UM Law Review;

Undergraduate:

- The Defiance College, Defiance, Ohio, B. A. (1974)
Summa Cum Laude
National Champion, Persuasive Speaking

BAR ADMISSIONS:

- Florida Bar (11/18/77)
- District of Columbia Bar (5/7/79)

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:

- International Academy of Trial Lawyers (President 2015)
- Honorary Bencher, Inn of Court of Northern Ireland
- American College of Trial Lawyers (2006)
- American Board of Trial Advocates (2007)
- Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (Fellow and Chartered Arbitrator)
- College of Commercial Arbitrators (Fellow)

- The Dispute Board Federation, Geneva (Fellow and Director)
- American Arbitration Association, Board of Directors and Executive Committee (2003-2015; Neutral Arbitrator, Commercial, Large and Complex Case, Class Action and International Panels; Panel of Mediators)
- Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre
- American Law Institute (Member)
- Florida Certified Circuit Civil Mediator
- Mediator, United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida
- Certified Mediator, Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution (CEDR)
- Miami International Arbitration Society (Board Member)
- The Florida Bar
- Miami-Dade County Bar Association
- Commissioner, Third District Court of Appeal, Judicial Nominating Commission (1983 - 1987)
- Member Florida Board of Bar Examiners (1987 - 1990)

PROFESSIONAL AWARDS:

- Who's Who Among College and University Students (1977)
- The Best Lawyers in America (1996-present)
- Leading American Lawyers (1997-present)
- International Who's Who of Professionals (1998)
- Florida Super Lawyers (2006-present)

RECENT LECTURES AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Mr. Matthews has presented more than 100 lectures and seminars on topics including commercial litigation and arbitration, evidence, procedure, ethics and professional conduct in dispute resolution. The most recent include:

- IATL Uganda Judiciary Collaborative – Case Management and ADR – October 29-November 2, 2018
- NCMG International Commercial Arbitration Training – ADR for Nigerian Judiciary – July 25-27, 2018 – Dubai, UAE
- Florida Bar Construction Seminar – March 10, 2018 – Construction Arbitration
- December 11, 2017 – Faculty of Advocates – Edinburgh Scotland – Trial and Arbitration Advocacy from a US Attorney's Viewpoint
- April 6, 2017 – Global Pound Conference – Miami – Panel Moderator

- November 17-18 2016 – Dublin Arbitration Day 2016, Moderator Young Practitioners’ Program and Speaker, Panel Discussion – Third Party Funding
- September 30, 2016 – UM International Arbitration Institute/Miami International Arbitration Society/FIU Law International Arbitration Masters Series – “How to Persuade a Tribunal” – Training Coach
- September 2016 – IBA Barrister Forum – Trial Demonstration
- April 2016 – Speaker – International Advocacy Training Conference – Belfast, Northern Ireland
- October 2014 – Visiting Lecturer – National University of Mongolia, School of Law – “The Great Mongol Empire and The Magna Carta, Two Pillars of Modern Justice Systems”
- ICCA 2014 Miami – Panel Moderator, Judges and Users Panel, “Arbitration, Myths, Realities, Changes”
- June 2013 – Bar Council of Ireland, Dublin – Lecture, Impact of Disruptive Technology on Trial Practice (video available)
- June 2013 – Lecturer, Arab College of Haifa, Israel – World Jurist Association – Global Economy and the Rule of Law in a Changing World – “Development of the Rule of Law Through Advocacy in International Arbitration”
- April 2013 – Dean’s Address – International Academy of Trial Lawyers – “Trial Advocacy in the 21st Century Global Village” (video available)
- April 2012 – Lecturer, Washington, D.C. – World Jurist Association – Law and Technology: Innovation in the Digital Age – “Online Resolution of Transnational Consumer Disputes”
- June 2009 – Visiting Professor – Advanced Seminar (one week) on International Dispute Settlement – Centre for Energy, Petroleum and Mineral Law and Policy, University of Dundee, Dundee, Scotland
- Lecturer – 2007 Fourth Annual Seminar on International Commercial Arbitration, American University, Washington, D.C. – How to Handle Oil and Gas Industry Cases
- Lecturer - 2005 and 2006 ICDR 4th and 5th Annual Miami International Arbitration Conference

- October 2006 - Guest Lecturer at the University of Dundee, Scotland – Arbitration in Developing Nations
- September 2006 - taught three-week seminar on International Arbitration and The Rule of Law at the National University of Mongolia School of Law
- October 2004 – Participated in Conference on the Role of Lawyers in a Democracy at the Central Party School in Beijing, China
- January 2004 – organized and directed a week-long conference in Austria sponsored by the Center for International Legal Studies entitled “Liabilities and Responsibilities of Lawyers in International Disputes.”

PUBLICATIONS:

- “Difficult Transitions Do Not Always Require Major Adjustment – It’s Not Time to Abandon Party-Nominated Arbitrators in Investment Arbitration” ICSID REVIEW – FOREIGN INVESTMENT LAW JOURNAL, 2011.
- “Transparency in Investment Arbitration: A Creeping Reality?” 4 NEW YORK DISPUTE RESOLUTION LAWYER, Spring 2011, 49-50
- “Time to Evaluate the Standards for Issuance of Interim Measures of Protection in International Investment Arbitration” (with Karen Stewart) ARBITRATION INTERNATIONAL, Vol. 25, Issue 4, 2009
- “Identifying and Overcoming Arbitrator Bias - Advocacy in International Arbitration” TRANSNATIONAL DISPUTE MANAGEMENT JOURNAL, Special Issue, Summer 2008
- “Recognition and Enforcement of U.S. class action judgment and settlements in Switzerland,” (with Daniele Favalli), REVIEW SUISSE DE DROIT INTERNATIONAL ET EUROPEEN April 2007
- “Are Florida Courts Really Parochial When it Comes to Arbitration? *A Rebuttal*” THE FLORIDA BAR JOURNAL, December 2007
- “Let the Sun Shine In and be Proud: The Case for Arbitration Rules that Presumptively Grant Public Access to All Arbitration Proceedings” TRANSNATIONAL DISPUTE MANAGEMENT JOURNAL, 2006
- “The Role of Arbitrators in Settlement of Claims Pending Before Them for Decision,” TRANSNATIONAL DISPUTE MANAGEMENT JOURNAL, Vol. 2, Issue 5 November 2005

- “Deposition and Discovery,” TRANSNATIONAL DISPUTE MANAGEMENT JOURNAL, Vol. 2, Issue 3 June 2005
- “Consumer Arbitration – Is It Working and Will It Continue to Work?” THE FLORIDA BAR JOURNAL, April 2005
- “Online Arbitration of Cross-Border, Business to Consumer Disputes, UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI LAW REVIEW, vol. 56, p.1111, 2003
- “Is It Possible to Try a \$100,000 Business Case to a Jury Without Bankrupting Yourself and Your Client?” THE FLORIDA BAR JOURNAL, October 1997
- Associate editor, “Commercial Litigation, “THE JOURNAL OF THE ACADEMY OF FLORIDA TRIAL LAWYERS, 1990-94 (monthly review of commercial law in Florida)
- “State Immunity From Zoning, A Question of Reasonableness,” UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI LAW REVIEW, vol. 31, p. 191; 1977
- “Survey of the Law of Evidence” (With William Hicks) UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI LAW REVIEW, vol. 31, p. 951; 1977

EXPERIENCE AS ADVOCATE, ARBITRATOR AND MEDIATOR IN ADR:

Experience-Domestic:

40 years of experience as advocate, arbitrator, special master and mediator. During early career majority of practice as advocate involved sophisticated construction and real property development disputes. As neutral, cases have included construction, insurance coverage, hospitality, professional liability, securities, partnership and mergers and acquisitions disputes, business fraud and consumer fraud, labor and employment and class action cases.

Experience-International:

More than 15 years of experience as advocate, arbitrator and mediator. Cases include major construction, investment treaty, insurance, hospitality industry and international commercial arbitration disputes in major international arbitration forums and teaching international arbitration in Europe, Asia and North America.

Alternative Dispute Resolution Experience:

Domestically, neutral arbitrator in more than 200 arbitrations; party appointed arbitrator in more than 50 arbitrations. Internationally, advocate or arbitrator in more than 50 cases. Chair in more than 50 cases domestically and internationally. Cases include disputes over domestic and international general business matters, construction, hospitality, mining, business and consumer fraud and class

arbitrations, employment relations, securities, mergers and acquisitions disputes, health care, insurance and reinsurance, energy and mining and technology. Since the early 1980's, advocate in more than 50 arbitrations both *ad hoc* and under the auspices of AAA and other dispute resolution forums.

Cases:

A small but representative sampling of some of the cases in which Mr. Matthews served in arbitration follows:

- Serve as Special Master in Federal Fair Labor Standards Act claims against owner of multiple restaurant and service operations.
- Served as sole arbitrator, neutral or chair in dozens of construction contract disputes administered by the AAA, ICDR and also in *ad hoc* proceedings.
- Served as party-nominated arbitrator in international commercial dispute involving multi-national hotel operator administered by ICC.
- Serve as party-nominated arbitrator in companion international commercial disputes involving the Brazilian Oil and Gas Industry administered by ICDR and LCIA.
- Served as President of Tribunal in international commercial dispute involving manufacturer/distributor in Brasil administered by ICDR.
- Served as arbitrator in investment arbitration administered by ICSID, involving claims by Italian mining interests against the Government of the Republic of South Africa.
- Served as arbitrator in international commercial dispute involving multi-national hotel operator administered by ICDR.
- Served as counsel in cross border arbitration and litigation between multi-national hotel operator and hotel developer/owner from 2004-2010.
- Served as party-nominated arbitrator in dispute administered by ICC between Taiwanese corporation and U.S. based entertainment provider over landing rights for satellite transmissions into the country of Taiwan. Case involved claim for many millions of dollars and was resolved following entry of a partial award on motion for interim relief
- Served as arbitrator (not chair) in multimillion dollar dispute administered by AAA involving sale of U.S. mortgage banking entity that resulted in Award of millions of dollars following more than 10 days of formal hearings.

- Served as chair in franchise dispute administered by AAA in technology employment field involving claim for millions of dollars resulting in award of substantial damages.
- Served as chair in *ad hoc* dispute involving sale of a business with claim for millions of dollars that resulted in an award of no compensation.
- Served as arbitrator (not chair) in multimillion dollar dispute pursuant to CPR Rules involving defective piping in a group of multifamily residential buildings in Tampa, Florida pursuant to a settlement agreement reached in a national class action case.
- Served as sole arbitrator in domestic dispute arising out of sub-prime mortgages that resulted in an award of damages against loan originator.
- Served as sole arbitrator in disputes administered by the AAA and *ad hoc* under the Federal Multiple Peril Crop Insurance Common Crop Insurance Policy. At least two such arbitrations have resulted in the entry of Final Awards.
- Served as chair with neutral arbitrators in dispute administered by the AAA involving the termination of a managing general agency agreement that resulted in award of millions of dollars.
- Served as neutral (not chair) in dispute between harbor pilot and harbor pilot association involving termination of the pilot that resulted in damage award in favor of the pilot.

Alternative Dispute Resolution Continuing Professional Development:

Arbitration Ireland, Dublin International Arbitration Day Conference 2016; Florida Dispute Resolution Center Conference, August 12-13, 2016; AAA Miami Roundtable, June 2, 2016, Facilitator; BRDGES Academy, Ethics For all Mediators, May 6-6, 2016; AAA Miami Commercial Arbitrator Roundtable, March 31, 2016; American Law Institute, Consultative Group Meeting, Restatement of the Law of International Commercial Arbitration, February 5, 2016; College of Commercial Arbitrators Annual Conference and Seminar, 2012; ICDR 10th Annual Miami International Arbitration Conference, 2012; Florida Supreme Court Certified Circuit Civil Mediation Training Program (5 day training for certification by Florida Supreme Court); ICDR International Symposia in Advanced Case Management Issues, 2009; ICDR 6th Annual Miami International Arbitration Conference, 2008; ICDR 5th Annual Miami International Arbitration Conference, Arbitration in Las Americas: A 360 Degree View, 2007; Attended AAA Annual Board Meeting, Arbitrator Update, 2006; AAA Chairing an Arbitration Panel: Managing Procedures, Process & Dynamics (ACE005), 2005; Attended AAA Neutrals Conference, 2003; AAA

Arbitrator Update, 2003; AAA Large, Complex Case Arbitrator Training, 1993; AAA Commercial Arbitrator II Training: Advanced Case Management Issues, 2002; AAA Commercial Arbitrator Training, 1999; AAA Large, Complex Case Arbitrator Training, 1993; various other ADR training programs sponsored by AAA and attendance at numerous Arbitration Symposia, including London Court of International Arbitration, 2001.

Personal:

Born: April 28, 1952
Married: JoAnne Hatch Matthews – June 29, 1974

Miscellaneous:

Mr. Matthews and his former law firm are committed to the less fortunate in their community and around the world. The Firm sponsors the Colson Scholarship at the University of Miami, School of Law that provides financial assistance to an African American Law student each year. Members of the firm have been: Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the University of Miami; Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Miami Dade College and Chairman of the YMCA of Greater Miami. Awards include: Urban League Award for Service to the African American community, the Silver Medallion from the National Conference of Christians and Jews, the Mayor of Miami's "Citizen of the Year" award, the Voluntary Bar Association Pro Bono Service Award from the Florida Bar, the President's Award as the Volunteer of the Year for the Greater Miami YMCA, and Greater Miami Sportsman of the Year by the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Miami.

Mr. Matthews previously served as Chair of the Greater Miami YMCA and as a member of the Board of Trustees of his alma mater, The Defiance College.