

DIABLO MEDIATION SERVICES

About Katherine G. Morrow

Mediation Experience: Ms. Morrow has been a licensed attorney for over twenty-three (23) years. The focus of Ms. Morrow's practice has been real estate related matters, including broker defense, landlord tenant disputes, and general real estate litigation. In her role as attorney, Ms. Morrow's experience has included the responsibility of handling numerous mediations on behalf of a major Northern California real estate brokerage. Ms. Morrow's skills as a mediator are the result of her years of practical experience, knowledge of relevant law, and interest in assisting parties resolve their disputes without the need for litigation.

Training and Education: Ms. Morrow received a Bachelor of Arts degree from University of California at Santa Barbara in 1981. She obtained her law degree from Golden Gate University School of Law in 1984. Ms. Morrow was a contributing writer for the Golden Gate University Law Review following her first year of law school, and subsequently served as an Associate Editor of the Law Review. Ms. Morrow completed her formal mediation training through the University of California at Berkeley.

Unique Offerings and Considerations: As a mediator, Ms. Morrow approaches mediation with three primary goals: (1) To understand the facts underlying the dispute; (2) To assess how relevant law applies to those facts; and (3) To understand the reasons for the parties' inability to resolve the dispute. Ms. Morrow believes that the art of listening is often the most overlooked aspect of dispute resolution. To that end, Ms. Morrow devotes a significant portion of each mediation session to listening to and understanding the interests and concerns of each party, while at the same time, offering her professional analysis of the realities of pursuing litigation.

Professional Career and Organizations: Ms. Morrow has been a member of the California Bar for twenty-three (23) years. She has also participated in numerous local bar associations and is admitted to practice in the federal court in California. Ms. Morrow regularly volunteers her mediation services through various programs administered by the local superior courts. Ms. Morrow is a senior attorney at the Shannon B. Jones Law Group.