

Bureau of Employment Relations
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Hoffmeyer, Steven G.
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Experience:

Private law practice 1983 to 1985; Minnesota Human Rights Enforcement Officer II and Mediator 1985 to 1991; Senior Human Resources Representative, EEO Specialist and Supervisor, Hennepin County, MN, 1991 to 1995 (member of Minnesota Association of Professional Employees and participated in Meet and Confer activities); Labor Relations Advocate (responsible for contract administration, bargaining and grievance activity for largest county in Minnesota), Hennepin County, MN, 1995 to 2002; Mediator and Hearing Officer (conducting representation hearings, contract and grievance mediation, training and labor management committee facilitation), Minnesota Bureau of Mediation Services, 2002 to October 2003, and January 2011 to present; Commissioner, Minnesota Bureau of Mediation Services, January 2009 to 2011, Pacesetter Award from MPELRA; and instructor on employment law with University of Phoenix 2005 to present, faculty chair since 2009, awarded Distinguished Faculty Award December 2010. PERMANENT PANELS: AFGE/National Archives and Records Administration; U.S. Virgin Island Public Employee Relations Board. OTHER PANELS: Federal Mediation and Conciliation Services, Iowa Public Employment Relations Board, Montana Board of Personnel Appeals, Michigan Employment Relations Commission, California State Mediation and Conciliation Service, District of Columbia PERB, Illinois Educational Labor Relations, National Mediation Board.

Education:

B.A. Augsburg College, Minneapolis, MN; J.D. Hamline University, St. Paul, MN; Administrative Law: Fair Hearing, The National Judicial College October 2002; Becoming a Labor Arbitrator, FMCS April 2004. CERTIFICATIONS: Minnesota District Court Mediation Certificate, 1989; Complex Public Education Issues: FMCS-NAA September 16, 2011. PUBLISHED AWARDS: MKM Machine Tool Co., 123 LA 769 (Hoffmeyer, 2007) and cited in Contra Costa Water District and Stationary Engineers Local 39 (Marr, 2007) cited as 2007 NAC 124, and cited in 187LRR 550 (2010) and Walt Disney World, 127 LA 353 (Abrams 2010).

Advocacy:

Labor Relations Advocate (responsible for contract administration, bargaining and grievance activity for largest county in Minnesota), Hennepin County, MN, 1995 to 2002

Professional Organizations:

American Bar Association and Subcommittee on State and Local Government Collective Bargaining, Minnesota Bar Association,

Charges:

GRIEVANCE ARBITRATION: The fee is \$950.00 per diem for hearing and for research and preparation of the opinion and award. A hearing day is any portion of a day up to eight hours. Time for research and preparation is prorated. CANCELLATION POLICY: If scheduled hearing is postponed or cancelled with notice of less than twenty-one (21) calendar days, the per diem for each day of hearing shall be charged if another issue cannot be substituted. TRAVEL TIME: Arbitrator charges per diem for any portion of a travel day up to eight hours on non-hearing days. Fee is prorated. EXPENSES: Arbitrator charges actual cost of reasonable expenses, including airfare, train, car rental, food and lodging. Fees and expenses are the obligations of both parties. The bill may be divided for the convenience of the parties, but such division does not release the parties joint obligation for the entire bill.