

## **Mediator**

Frank X. Neuner, Jr., is a mediator with strong skills in managing complex negotiations, resolving conflicts, and understanding diverse perspectives. The work he has done in his law firm, NeunerPate, coupled with his commitment to service within the community and profession, make him an ideal choice as your next mediator. Mr. Neuner possesses the crucial qualities of a mediator: impartial, ethical, and focused on achieving a just resolution for all parties involved.

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## Concentrations

Maritime

Aviation

**Business/Commercial** 

**Class Action** 

**Employment Law** 

Environmental (Oil & Gas)

Insurance Litigation

Workers' Compensation

#### Education

BA, Louisiana State University (1972) JD, Louisiana State University (1976)

# Recognitions

Best Lawyers' Lawyer of the Year in Admiralty & Maritime Law for the Baton Rouge Area (2010—Present)

ABA Solo & Small Firm Lifetime Achievement Award (2018)

Inducted into the International Academy of Trial Lawyers (2015)

Martindale-Hubbell Peer Review Rated Lawyer of Preeminent 5.0 out of 5 as of 2014

Louisiana Bar Foundation 2013 Distinguished Attorney Award

Speaker at the World Justice Forum IV in The Hague, Netherlands (2013)

# **Biography**

Frank X. Neuner, Jr., is the founding partner of NeunerPate (formerly Laborde & Neuner), formed in 1987 with its main office in Lafayette, Louisiana. Mr. Neuner's dedication to running a successful practice extends to his commitment of service to his community, state, and the legal profession. Showing an unwavering commitment to leadership through his example and encouragement, his law firm developed a culture of dedication to community service and providing pro bono legal services. Neuner's leadership roles and volunteerism extend beyond Acadiana to the state and national stage.

Mr. Neuner's professional memberships and countless awards and citations are a testament to his dedication to the discipline of law and community. He served as president of the Louisiana State Bar Association in 2005 and 2006 during the disastrous Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. In 2013, Mr. Neuner was invited to speak at The World Justice Forum in the Hague, Netherlands and share his experience in restoring the legal system after a natural disaster. During his six-year tenure, from 2008 through 2012, as Chair of the Louisiana Public Defender Board, he spearheaded the drive to provide legal protection and access to justice for indigent defendants. He has served on the Board of the Legal Services Corporation and as chair of its Audit Committee since 2019.

In 2008, Mr. Neuner was honored as the LSU Law Distinguished Alumnus. In 2013, the Louisiana Bar Foundation honored him as its Distinguished Attorney. In 2018, he was awarded the ABA Solo and Small Firm Lifetime Achievement Award. He is also a Fellow of the International Society of Barristers and the International Academy of Trial Lawyers, served as the ABA State Delegate for Louisiana from 2012-2021, has been on the Board of IPNO since 2014 and currently the Emeritus Board Chair, is a past Chair of the ABA Client Protection Committee, Chair of The Fellows of the American Bar Foundation, Immediate Past Chair of the Lafayette Economic Development Authority and a member of the American Bar Association and the American Bar Foundation Board of Governors.

Married to Tracy Owens Neuner for fifty-two years, they have four children and six grandchildren.

Mr. Neuner's leadership, commitment to service, and problem-solving experience enable him to serve as an effective mediator helping clients navigate conflicts effectively, ensuring fairness, and gaining the trust of all parties involved.