



Renee Chabert Crasto

Mediator and Arbitrator

With nearly two decades of litigation experience and a Harvard-honed command of negotiation, Renee Crasto offers the rare combination of deep courtroom insight and neutral, problem-solving skills that drive settlements. Ms. Crasto delivers the balanced perspective parties need to resolve their toughest disputes.



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Concentrations

Hurricane Claims

18-Wheeler Accidents

Burn Injuries

Traumatic Brain Injuries

Commercial Litigation

Insurance Law

Personal Injury

Property Damage Claims

Wrongful Death

Education

BS, Louisiana State University (2005)

JD/BCL, Louisiana State University (2008)

The Program on Negotiation, Harvard Law School (2023)

Recognitions

Court appointed mediator in the USDC, Eastern District of Louisiana, for Hurricane Ida Claims

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Bar Governance Committee

American Bar Foundation, Fellow

Louisiana State Bar Association, House of Delegates

Biography

Renee Chabert Crasto is a Harvard-trained mediator whose settlement-focused style has earned the confidence of counsel across Louisiana. Appointed by U.S. District Courts in both the Eastern and Middle Districts as a mediator for Hurricane Ida claims, she is known for her pragmatic, settlement-focused approach and skill in navigating complex technical evidence. Her experience spans both defense and plaintiff work, including service as Special Master and advocacy before legislative and regulatory bodies. Ms. Crasto is licensed in all Louisiana state and federal courts and the U.S. Fifth Circuit.

Ms. Crasto currently practices at Walters Thomas Cullens, LLC where her practice focuses on large and complex wrongful death and catastrophic burn cases, and other personal injury cases. Ms. Crasto has extensive experience in all areas of personal injury law including products liability, catastrophic 18-wheeler incidents, and highway and interstate death cases, as well as petrochemical and industrial cases involving fires, explosions, electrocutions, burns, asbestos exposure and mesothelioma. Her work assisting the firm's former senior partner as Special Master—and serving as assistant Special Master herself—gives her an uncommon appreciation of a neutral's duty to balance efficiency with procedural fairness.

Counsel value her meticulous preparation and talent for translating complex technical evidence into plain-language reasoning. Ms. Crasto upholds the highest ethical standards and is known for impartiality, thoroughness, and respect for counsel and parties alike.

Having started her legal career at Adams & Reese, a leading defense firm, and now as counsel in a plaintiff firm, Ms. Crasto has the unique ability to speak the language of insurers, corporations, and injured individuals alike. Having advocated on both sides of the "v.", she brings balance, credibility, and business-savvy risk analysis to the mediation table, an asset that fosters credibility with every stakeholder.

Ms. Crasto is available for mediations and arbitrations in person throughout Louisiana or via confidential video conference nationwide. When outcomes matter and relationships must endure, counsel trust Ms. Crasto to guide the path to settlement.