



Martin Quinn

Special Master/Disc. Referee Dispute Resolution Experience

Martin Quinn has been appointed by numerous federal and state judges to act as a special master or referee to make recommendations on significant motions, to supervise discovery, to act as a mediator, and to supervise settlements. He participated in creating the national Academy of Court-Appointed Masters, and is a member of its Board of Directors.

Representative Matters

- As court-appointed referee, presided over a two-week trial of a dispute among shareholders of multi-billion dollar real estate development company
- Discovery referee in class action against manufacturer of wallboard products
- Discovery referee in complex dispute between Texas and California real estate developers
- Discovery referee in multi-party insurance coverage dispute between manufacturer of asbestos products and dozens of insurance companies
- Discovery referee in state-wide class action against workers' compensation insurer for alleged over-reserving of claims
- Discovery referee in state-wide representative action against clothing manufacturers for alleged mistreatment of workers in Saipan garment factories
- Discovery referee in trade secret dispute between manufacturers of computer software
- Special master for discovery and settlement purposes in federal court action among shareholders of a Pacific Island bank
- Special master for discovery in copyright action involving downloading of recorded music
- Special Master for discovery in federal court action involving product liability claims against a medical device manufacturer
- Special master for discovery in patent and trademark infringement action between U.S. and Taiwan-based manufacturers of computer games
- Special master for settlement purposes in two multi-party federal court CERCLA actions dealing with the clean-up of contamination in Chico, California

Honors, Memberships, and Professional Activities

- Member, Board of Directors; Chair, Ethics Committee, Academy of Court-Appointed Masters (www.courtappointedmasters.org), 2005
- Author of articles of ADR, including:
 - "How to Succeed with Discovery Referees," *Association of Business Trial Lawyers of Northern California Report*, November 2004
 - "Mediating Disability Insurance Cases," *San Francisco Daily Journal*, September 2003
 - "The Use of ADR to Resolve Individual Claims in Class Actions and Mass Torts," *Andrews Litigation Reporters* for product liability, mass torts, toxic chemicals and drug recall, May-June 2002
 - "Referees Under New Rules," *California Lawyer*, February 2002
 - "Discovery Director," *San Francisco Daily Journal*, August 2000