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## Biography

**Ronald Ravikoff, Esq.** has been a JAMS neutral since 2012 and has been on the American Healthcare Lawyers Association panel of neutrals since 2014. He is a Certified Florida Mediator and a member of the Florida Academy of Professional Mediators.

Mr. Ravikoff has years of experience in mediation, arbitration, complex litigation, and dispute counseling. His dispute resolution practice focuses on complex commercial matters with a particular emphasis on matters involving healthcare, parallel civil and criminal proceedings including False Claims Act matters, Foreign Corrupt Practices Act matters, antitrust and trade regulation, class actions, financial institution litigation, securities litigation and regulatory proceedings, and trade secrets matters. He is a retired senior litigation partner of Akerman Senterfitt. Prior to Akerman, he was the Managing Partner of the Miami office of Zuckerman Spaeder for over 25 years.

Mr. Ravikoff has handled numerous ADR matters both as an advocate and neutral – as an attorney, mediator, arbitrator and hearing neutral. He has distinguished himself for helping parties to successfully work through complex disputes without the need for litigation.

## Practice Areas

- Antitrust
- Business/Commercial
- Class Actions
- Cybersecurity & Privacy
- Financial Markets
- Governmental/Public Agency
- Health Care /Peer Review
- Securities

## ADR Experience and Qualifications

- Full time JAMS Neutral since 2012
- Participated in numerous mediations, arbitrations and peer review hearings as a neutral, advocate and hearing officer.
- Certified Civil Court Mediator by the Florida Supreme Court
- Adjunct Professor of University of Miami School of Law teaching negotiation and business dispute resolution techniques
- Named to American Health Lawyers Association Panel of Neutrals
- Member, Florida Academy of Professional Mediators
- Pro Bono Mediator for Dade County Legal Aid.

## Representative Matters as a Neutral

### Mediations

- Mediation of Multidistrict Federal consumer class action involving defective automobiles
- Mediation of multi-million dollar M&A dispute over oil fracking acquisition
- Mediation of antitrust claim between Latin American distributors brought against an international heavy machinery manufacturer
- Mediation among adjoining condominium properties over use of common right of way
- Multiple personal injury mediations including various personal injury and medical malpractice cases
- Mediation among competing pari-mutuel facility operators over contract disputes

- Mediation among members of hospital physicians' group over financial disputes
- Mediation between adult brother and sister over control of family trust
- Mediation between Florida Agency for Health Care and Medicaid provider over license revocation
- Mediation between law firm and terminated partner over severance terms
- Numerous personal injury mediations
- Mediation over outdoor advertising contract
- Mediation involving sale of company and related airplane parts
- Mediation over alleged theft of trade secrets
- Several multi-million dollar nationwide federal consumer class action mediations involving deceptive advertising claims
- Bankruptcy mediation over adversary claim alleging fraudulent transfers
- Trademark dispute mediation
- Multi-million-dollar mediation over failed real estate project
- Several mediations over construction defects involving a regulated industry
- Mediation involving Nursing Home Negligence
- Mediation over Stock Transfer dispute
- Pro Bono Mediation for Dade County Legal Aid over unfit housing.

## **Arbitrations**

- Numerous Arbitrations – Consumer Credit
- Multi-million-dollar arbitration over attorney's fees
- Arbitration involving bank loans
- Arbitration involving concert promoter and facility
- Arbitration over Breach of Managed Care Contract
- Numerous Arbitrations among physicians and their practice groups
- Consumer arbitrations over consumer services
- FLSA Arbitrations
- Arbitration over amount at issue in Company buyout

## **Other**

- Hearing officer in Numerous Hospital peer Review Hearings

## **Representative Matters as an Advocate**

- Arbitration among competing claims of ownership of a multi-million dollar hotel/resort complex

- Mediation over Bond Premium for multi-million dollar construction project in the Middle East
- Mediation involving Medicare fraud claims among private parties, Department of Justice, Office of Inspector General, the Florida Attorney General, and the Florida Agency for Healthcare
- Mediation involving antitrust claims by stevedoring company against other stevedoring companies and a governmental agency for antitrust violations
- Mediation between corporate interests alleging defamatory internet posting
- Mediation between resort/spa and adjoining residents over objectionable use of resort property
- Mediation of 10b-5 class action suit between shareholders and company for alleged understatement of inventory in public filings
- Mediation involving national manufacturer of medical devices and retailers for contractual violations of distribution agreement
- Mediation between medical data management company and purchaser of company over data protection and HIPPA violations
- Arbitration between national hospital chain and national health care insurer over pricing policies resulting in a difference of over a billion dollars in sought reimbursements
- Mediation between Mexican soybean processor and United States based plant equipment manufacturer over defective equipment resulting in over \$300 million in alleged damages
- Mediation between National Sponsor and Sanctioning Body for rights to International Ballroom Dancing Competition
- Mediation among competing multiple pari-mutuel permit holders over gambling rights at jai alai frontons
- Mediation and Arbitration between hospital and contract provider of emergency room physicians over termination of contract
- Arbitration between governmental entity and builder/operator of \$500 million project over alleged impossibility of operation terms and conditions
- Multiple personal injury mediations including
  - Death of father of seven killed in accident with semi-trailer truck
  - Death of 14-year-old boy killed by driver while walking to school
  - Various personal injury and medical malpractice cases
- Mediation between foreign government and national project contractor over failed project
- Mediation between law firm and public company for malpractice claims arising out of a 10b-5 lawsuit filed against the public company
- Mediation among members and sanctioning body of national show horse competition over alleged fraudulent judging and defamation
- Mediation between investor and construction company involving claims of failure to pay and counterclaims of fraud and usury
- Mediation among home owners, shopping center owner, dry cleaners, and governmental agency over ground water contamination damages and remediation
- Mediation among Department of Justice, foreign product manufacturer, United States based real estate firms over violations of United States export laws and forfeiture of proceeds

- Mediation among buyer and seller of radio stations over fraud and breach of contract
- Mediation between two biotechnical manufacturers over patent infringement on certain enzymes
- Multiple mediations for national franchisor against numerous franchisees as to misrepresentations in franchise offering documents
- Mediation in class action by patients against national hospital company over pricing policies for uninsured patients
- Mediation between Florida Department of Labor and Florida based retail chain over self-insured status for worker compensation
- Mediation between staffing company and Florida Department of Labor over tax issues involving employees as independent contractors
- Mediation over 10-b5 violations among investors and company over misstatements in offering statement for new cruise line
- Mediation between company and ousted company president over ownership of patent rights

## Published Decisions

- *MYD Marine Distributor, Inc. v. International Paint LTD, Donovan Marine Inc. and East Coast Marine Distributors, Inc.*, Case No. 4D10-2833 (Fla. 4th DCA December 14th, 2011) (dealer termination)
- *Florida Pritikin Center v. Turnberry Isle Condominium Center*, 924 So. 2d 867 (Fla. 3rd DCA 2006) (condominium covenants)
- *Turnberry Isle Condominium v. Florida Pritikin Center*, 931 So. 2d 934 (Fla. 3rd DCA 2006) (zoning)
- *Quantum Communications Corp. v. Star Broadcasting, Inc.*, 382 F. Supp.2 1362 (S.D. Fla. 2005) (injunction)
- *MCI Worldcom v. Krantz*, 2003 WL 25666724 (S.D. Fla. 2003) (evidence)
- *Kitchen of the Oceans Inc. v. McGladry and Pullen LLP*, 832 So.2d 270 (Fla. 4th DCA 2002) (accounting malpractice)
- *Macro Capital v. Soffer Group*, 822 So.2d 525 (Fla. 3rd DCA 2002) (arbitration)
- *MCI Worldcom v. Morris Plumbing*, 2002 WL 34357201 (S.D. Fla. 2002) (evidence)
- *MCI Worldcom v. Morris Plumbing*, 2002 WL 33004353 (S.D. Fla. 2002) (loss of use damages)
- *Government of Aruba v. Sanchez*, 216 F. Supp.2 1320 (S.D. Fla. 2002) (construction contract)
- *The Soffer Group v. Macro Capital*, 818 So.2d 619 (Fla. 3rd DCA 2002) (arbitration)
- *United States Securities & Exchange Comm. v. Ginsberg*, 242 F. Supp. 2d 1310 (S.D. Fla. 2002) (insider trading)
- *Oleoproteinas del Sureste S.A. v. The French Oil Mill Machinery Co.*, 202 FRD 541 (S.D. Ohio 2000) (breach of warranty)
- *Abby v. Bill Ussery Moors*, 74 F. Supp. 1217 (S.D. Fla. 1999) (patent infringement)

- *Metzler v. Bear Automotive Service Equipment*, 19 F. Supp. 2d 1345 (S.D. Fla. 1998) (antitrust/monopolization)
- *Florida Breckinridge, Inc. v. Solvay Pharmaceuticals, Inc.*, 1999-1 Trade Cases 72414 (S.D. Fla. 1997)
- *Mac Tools, Inc. v. Griffin*, 879 P.2d 1126 (Idaho 1994) (franchise litigation)
- *Grunert v. Machover*, 617 So. 2d 1153 (Fla. 3d DCA 1993) (trust jurisdiction)
- *Menowitz v. Brown*, 991 F.2d 36 (2d Cir. 1993) (securities class action)
- *In Re: General Development Corporation Bond Litigation*, 800 F. Supp. 1128 (S.D. N.Y. 1992) (securities class action)
- *Merrill Lynch Pierce Fenner & Smith v. Hagerty*, 808 F. Supp. 1555 (S.D. Fla. 1992) (non-competition agreement)
- *FSLIC v. Shelton*, 789 F. Supp. 1367 (M.D. La. 1992) (S&L litigation/regulatory affirmative defenses against FSLIC)
- *FSLIC v. Shelton*, 789 F. Supp. 1360 (M.D. La. 1992) (S&L litigation/standard of care)
- *FSLIC v. Shelton*, 789 F. Supp. 1355 (M.D. La. 1992) (insurer's regulatory exclusion)
- *Tapken v. Brown*, Fed. Sec. L. Rpts, 96,805 (S.D. Fla. 1992) (securities class action)
- *Gibson v. Resolution Trust*, 750 F. Supp. 1565 (S.D. Fla. 1990) (trust RTC)

## Honors, Memberships, and Professional Activities

Completed Virtual ADR training conducted by the JAMS Institute, the training arm of JAMS

### • Honors

- Listed as "Lawyer of the Year" for Mediation in Miami by *Best Lawyers in America*, 2020
- Named in *Best Lawyers in America* in ADR, Antitrust, Antitrust Litigation and Commercial Litigation, 2006-2020, 2022
- Listed in Florida in *Super Lawyer* in ADR, 2006-2019
- South Florida Legal Guide Top Lawyer Mediation and Arbitration 2014-2018
- Listed in The National Law Journal TRAILBLAZERS edition under Mergers & Acquisitions and Antitrust, 2015
- Named to 2014 Florida Trends Legal Elite for Arbitration and Mediation
- Listed in Florida as *Super Lawyer*, 2006, 2014
- Ranked in Florida for Antitrust, *Chambers USA*, 2003-2012
- Ranked in Florida for Litigation, *Chambers USA*, 2006-2009
- Listed in Florida for Antitrust Litigation and Business Litigation, *Super Lawyers Magazine*, 2006-2011
- Listed in Florida as a "Top 100 Miami Lawyer," *Super Lawyers Magazine*, 2010, 2011
- Legal Elite, listed for Antitrust & Trade Regulation, *Florida Trend*, 2009-2011
- Top Lawyers, Listed for Complex Civil Litigation, Antitrust Litigation, *South Florida Legal Guide*, 2010, 2011
- *Who's Who Legal Florida*, 2008

- Listed in "Best of the Bar" for Commercial Litigation and Antitrust, *South Florida Business Journal*

- **Memberships**

- Florida Academy of Professional Mediators
- Member, American Health Lawyers Association Panel (AHLA), present
- Certified Mediator, Florida Supreme Court, Circuit Civil
- Past Chair, 11th Circuit Subcommittee Commercial and Banking Litigation
- American Bar Foundation
- University of Miami Citizens Board (Past President)
- University of Miami Law Alumni Association (Past President)
- Past member University of Miami Board of Trustees
- Past Member Cornell Counsel
- Dade County Bar Association
- Miami Dade Trial Lawyers Association

- **Publications/Speaking Engagements**

- Author, "How Issue-Based ADR Can Streamline Antitrust Cases," *Law360*, April 2018
- Presenter, "Trends in International ADR: Practical Tools, Ethics Perspectives and More," (CLE September 2018)
- Author, "Using ADR to Streamline the Complex Case," *The American Lawyer*, January 2016
- Author, "The Use of Protected Health Care Information in Mediation," *JAMS Healthcare Matters Newsletter*, Fall 2015
- Author, "Your Arbitration Is Private, But Is It Confidential?," *Daily Business Review*, May 26, 2015
- Presenter, "What Lawyers Need to Know About Drafting Arbitration Clauses for Healthcare Clients" (CLE March 10, 2015)
- Author, "HIPAA, Protected Healthcare Information and ADR: What Rules Apply?," *Inside Counsel* 2014
- Author, "Implement an Antitrust Compliance Program," *Miami Herald*, May 7th, 2007
- Author, "Professor Daniel Murray: More Than Five Senses: A Tribute," *58 University of Miami LawReview* 949, 2004
- Author, "RTC Can Reject Lease Only Once," *Florida Bar Business Quarterly Law*, 1992
- Author, "Making Claims Against Failed Financial Institutions," *66 Florida Bar Journal* 40, 1992
- Author, "Attorney-Client and Work-Product Privilege Issues in Failed Financial Institution Litigation," *American Bar Association*, 1991
- Author, "Litigating Claims Against Failed Financial Institutions," *Florida Bar*, 1991
- Florida Bar CLE, Speaker, "Commercial Litigation in the 90's," 1991
- Program Chair and Moderator, "Criminal Law Issues for Civil Litigators," Florida Bar CLE, 1989

- Author, "Using Experts in Business Valuation Cases," *II Florida Bar Business Law Quarterly*, 1989
- Author, "The Antitrust Health Care Handbook," *American Bar Association*, 1988
- Author, "Establishing An Antitrust Compliance Program," *57 Florida Bar Journal* 254, 1983
- Author, "Social Responsibility in Investment Policy and the Prudent Man Rule," *68 California Law Review*, 518, 1980
- Author, "Organizational Support to Fund Environmental Litigation," *6 Environmental Affairs* 457, 1978
- Speaker, "Unique Aspects of Healthcare Mediation", JAMS, October 2014
- Speaker, "Ethics in Mediation", South Palm Beach and Bar, April 2014
- Speaker, "Managing the Complex Business Case in ADR", ABA Section of Dispute Resolution, April 2014
- Speaker, "Managing the Complex Business Case in ADR", Florida Bar, August 2012
- Speaker, "Florida's Revised Arbitration Act" Broward Bench and Bar Conference, October 2013
- **Academia**
  - Adjunct Professor of Law, University of Miami School of Law 2008-2015
  - Faculty Advisor, University of Miami Team, National Black Law Students Association, International Negotiations Competition, Washington DC, 2012
  - Advisor, Law Without Walls, University of Miami School of Law, 2012
  - Delegate, Center for International Legal Studies, Senior Lawyer Program, Salzburg, Austria, January 2008
  - Visiting Professor of Law, Catholic University, Lublin, Poland, Spring 2008
  - Delegate, U.S.-Russia Joint Conference on the Rule of Law, St. Petersburg, Russia, 2007

## Background and Education

- Mediator and Arbitrator, JAMS, 2012-present
- Litigation Shareholder, Akerman Senterfitt, Miami, Florida, February 2008-April 2012
- Zuckerman Spaeder, Miami, Florida
  - Partner and Managing Partner, January 1985-February 2008
  - Associate, October 1983-December 1984
- Greenberg Traurig, Miami, Florida, August 1980-October 1983
- Arnold & Porter, Washington, D.C., September 1977-August 1980
- Director of Planning, Pompton Plains, NJ, July 1972-August 1974
- J.D., *cum laude*, University of Miami School of Law, 1977 (Editor-in-Chief, *University of Miami Law Review*)
- Post Graduate: Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ, 1973-1974, Ph.D. Program – Urban Planning (no degree conferred)
- M.R.P., City Planning, Cornell University College of Architecture, 1972



- B.S., Cornell University School of Industrial and Labor Relations, 1970

## News

- August 22, 2022  
**Six JAMS Panelists Named 2023 “Lawyers of the Year” and 63 Recognized as “Best Lawyers in America” by Best Lawyers®**  
<https://www.jamsadr.com/news/2022/six-jams-panelists-named-2023-lawyers-of-the-year-and-63-recognized-as-best-lawyers-in-america-by-best-lawyers>
- August 19, 2021  
**Four JAMS Panelists Named “Lawyers of the Year” and 61 Recognized as “Best Lawyers in America” by Best Lawyers®**  
<https://www.jamsadr.com/news/2021/four-jams-panelists-named-lawyers-of-the-year-and-60-recognized-as-best-lawyers-in-america-by-best-lawyers>
- August 21, 2020  
**Seven JAMS Panelists Named “Lawyers of the Year” and 57 Recognized As “Best Lawyers in America” by Best Lawyers®**  
<https://www.jamsadr.com/news/2020/seven-jams-panelists-named-lawyers-of-the-year-and-57-recognized-as-best-lawyers-in-america-by-best-lawyers>
- August 19, 2019  
**Five JAMS Panelists Named “Lawyers of the Year” and 59 JAMS Panelists Recognized As “Best Lawyers in America” by Best Lawyers®**  
<https://www.jamsadr.com/news/2019/five-jams-panelists-named-lawyers-of-the-year-and-59-jams-panelists-recognized-as-best-lawyers-in-america-by-best-lawyers>
- August 15, 2018  
**Two JAMS Panelists Named Best Lawyers’ “Lawyers of the Year;” 57 JAMS Panelists Recognized as 2019 Best Lawyers in America**  
<https://www.jamsadr.com/news/2018/two-jams-panelists-named-best-lawyers-lawyers-of-the-year-57-jams-panelists-recognized-as-2019-best-lawyers-in-america>
- August 16, 2017  
**Eight JAMS Panelists Named Best Lawyers’ “Lawyers of the Year;” 53 JAMS Panelists Recognized as 2018 Best Lawyers in America**  
<https://www.jamsadr.com/news/2017/eight-jams-panelists-named-best-lawyers-lawyers-of-the-year-53-jams-panelists-recognized-as-2018-best-lawyers-in-america>
- November 30, 2016  
**JAMS Places First in the Daily Business Review “Best of 2016” Survey Five Years Running**  
<https://www.jamsadr.com/news/2016/jams-places-first-in-the-daily-business-review-best-of->

2016-survey-five-years-running

- August 16, 2016  
**Five JAMS Panelists Named Best Lawyers "Lawyers of the Year;" 48 JAMS Panelists Recognized as 2017 Best Lawyers in America**  
<https://www.jamsadr.com/news/2016/five-jams-panelists-named-best-lawyers-lawyers-of-the-year>
- November 18, 2015  
**JAMS Places First in the Daily Business Review "Best of 2015" Survey**  
<https://www.jamsadr.com/news/2015/jams-places-first-in-the-daily-business-review-best-of-2015-survey>
- August 17, 2015  
**Four JAMS Panelists Named Best Lawyers "Lawyers of the Year;" 49 JAMS Panelists Recognized as 2016 Best Lawyers in America**  
<https://www.jamsadr.com/news/2015/pstrongirvine-calif.-strongndash;-jams-the-largest-private-provider-of-mediation-and-arbitration-services-worldwide-is-prou>

## Events

- February 26, 2021  
**The Future of ADR: Virtual is Here to Stay**  
<https://www.jamsadr.com/events/2021/the-future-of-adr-virtual-is-here-to-stay>
- October 14-15, 2014  
**JAMS Miami Mediation Week 2014**  
Miami, Florida  
<https://www.jamsadr.com/jams-miami-mediation-week-2014>

## Publications

- January 13, 2022  
**A Q&A Session With Ron Ravikoff on Health Systems and the Benefits of ADR**  
<https://www.jamsadr.com/blog/2022/a-qa-session-with-ron-ravikoff-on-health-systems-and-the-benefits-of-adr>
- May 27, 2020  
**6 Considerations For Medical Staff's Virtual Peer Reviews**  
Law360  
<https://www.jamsadr.com/files/uploads/documents/articles/ravikoff-law360-6-considerations-for-medical-staff-virtual-peer-reviews-2020-05-27.pdf>
- September 1, 2019

## Common Sense Guidelines for Hospital-Physician Peer Review

<https://www.jamsadr.com//blog/2019/ravikoff-ronald-fmd-common-sense-guidelines-09-2019>

- April 9, 2018  
**How Issue-Based ADR Can Streamline Antitrust Cases**  
Law360  
<https://www.jamsadr.com//files/uploads/documents/articles/ravikoff-reeves-law360-how-issue-based-adr-can-streamline-antitrust-cases-2018-04-09.pdf>
- September 1, 2016  
**Using ADR to Streamline the Complex Case**  
The American Lawyer  
[https://www.jamsadr.com//files/uploads/documents/articles/ravikoff\\_americanlawyer\\_using-adr-to-streamline-the-complex-case\\_2016-09-01.pdf](https://www.jamsadr.com//files/uploads/documents/articles/ravikoff_americanlawyer_using-adr-to-streamline-the-complex-case_2016-09-01.pdf)
- Fall 2015  
**Health Care Matters, Fall 2015**  
[https://www.jamsadr.com//files/uploads/documents/health-care-matters/health\\_care\\_matters\\_2015\\_fall.pdf](https://www.jamsadr.com//files/uploads/documents/health-care-matters/health_care_matters_2015_fall.pdf)
- May 16, 2015  
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Daily Business Journal  
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- September 29, 2014  
**HIPAA, protected healthcare information and ADR: What rules apply?**  
InsideCounsel.com  
<https://www.jamsadr.com//files/uploads/documents/articles/ravikoff-hipaa-rules-2014-09-29.pdf>

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